2022 - 2023 Annual Faculty Senate Committee Report

Faculty Senate Committee Name: Academic Computing Committee

Faculty Senate Committee Chair Name: Terry W. Brandsma

2023-2024 Incoming Committee Chair Name: Terry W. Brandsma

Unit Representation: Terry Brandsma (LIB), Leslie Daniel (Exo/UTLC), Chip Haas (Senator), Thomas Jackson (CAS), David Kirkland (ExO/ITS), Teena Martin (HHS), Stephanie Pickett (NUR), Colin Post (SOE), Jin Su (BRY), and Jed Watson (CVPA).

Academic Year Report Covers: 2022-23

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List of dates the committee met: 9/23/2022, 10/27/2022, 2/2/2023, 4/11/2023

List and briefly describe major accomplishments of the committee for the year:

- The ACC continued to monitor the implementation of the "NextGen Website Project," with an eye toward how the newly formatted web pages might affect access to information and resources of importance to faculty and their students. The NextGen website went live on December 19, 2022, as scheduled.
- Much of our discussion this year focussed on the lack of communication between Information Technology Services, University Administration, and the Academic Computing Committee, specifically in regards to the decision to move from the Google-based environment to the Microsoft 365 environment. This resulted in the drafting, presentation, and final approval of Faculty Senate Resolution #FS02012023,

"Resolution on Communication Between Information Technology Services and the Faculty Senate Academic Computing Committee."
- The ACC Chair is now the appointed Faculty Senate representative on the campus-wide Learning Technology Advisory Committee (LTAC).

List any action items for future consideration (if applicable):

- ACC will continue to monitor "Microsoft 365 Adoption" developments, plans, and schedules to provide input when necessary. We expect to be involved in further discussions of the data retention policy throughout the next academic year.
- ACC will monitor developments related to the Academic Portfolio Review process, and evaluate if any involvement is needed.

Discuss strengths and opportunities for improvement:

- The ACC worked well this past year. Turnover will be minimal, so I expect that the ACC will continue to operate effectively.