

MEETING MINUTES FOR FEB. 25, 2022

In attendance:

Thomas Dobbert, Brandy Scarnati, Cal Anderson, Laura Briggs, Ed Corbett, Bob Fletcher, Dwayne Hill, Raymond Joakimson, Jenny Krupka, Kreg Mebust, Chris Quantrell, David Rhodes, Martin Santos, Amanda Stibick, Izumi Shibasaki, Kyle Smith, Conrad Wong

Item 1: Approval of November Minutes

- Date on November minutes needs to be fixed.
- The current meeting time interferes with an ongoing commitment with the DRC but WebServices is still represented.

Item 2: Fiber Outage

- The outage was caused by an extended boom on a truck that took down the above-ground power, phone and fiber cable.
- SCS, DRI and TMCC requested funds to connect to the Department of Transportation fiber along US 395. The request includes trenching, fiber and routing equipment to create a redundant path for Internet connectivity.

Item 3: Cyber Security training & Cyber Liability Insurance

- Ransomware is rampant and making the cost of training go as well.
- Ransomware can be thwarted with multi-factor authentication. Committee members discussed the benefits and consequences of adding additional layers to signing in and using TMCC equipment and services.
- Cyber Security training and Phishing Campaigns were discussed.

Item 5: Microsoft & Adobe Licensing

- Both Microsoft and Adobe's agreements are renewing this year.
- TMCC will need an accurate headcount of users for licensing.
- Committee members discussed the possibility of training faculty on how to use Adobe's creative applications to utilize the service better.

Item 6: Sennheiser Project

- Sennheiser ceiling microphones for remote learning and conferencing will be installed in selected rooms. The microphones were demoed with IT staff and a Sennheiser rep in SIER-109.
- The microphones are “smart” and can mute unintended noise while lifting up the speaker’s voice.
- Microphones are back-ordered but are to be installed in Red Mountain 255 and 256 and Sierra 108 and Sierra 110.
- The microphones are a one-time purchase and do not have an ongoing service cost.

Item 7: iPads for pilot EPY program

- 40 iPads, configured with cases and styluses are to be used in a pilot program for EPY 111
- Shipments were inbound at the time of the committee meeting.

Item 8: Virtual Reality Goggles

- TMCC received 50 virtual reality headsets that were part of the SANDI grant.
- 20 are located in the Dandini Library and 10 each are at Edison, Meadowood, and Redfield.
- CSN started the process with a VR dialysis program to learn remotely.
- CNA and HVAC programs are being built specifically for TMCC’s programs.
- The library welcomes anyone to check them out.

Item 9: Application for admission

- Application for Admission is a team project with IT, Admissions and Records, and Institutional Research.
- Progress is slow but making forward movement.
- No “go-live” date right now, but it is being made a priority

Item 10: Owl and Swivl

- IT and Media Services demoed two different webcams for remote learning, the Meeting Owl and the Swivl Robot.
- The Swivl mounts an iPad to its housing and can follow an instructor around the room.
- The Owl uses a stationary panoramic camera and artificial intelligence to focus on who in the room is speaking and puts that person in focus.
- Both, the Owl and Swivl are available to be checked out with Media Services.

The next meeting will be on Friday, March 25th