



Establishing Information
Technology Council
CEC Meeting
September 10, 2008

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Subject: Establishing new Information Technology Council (ITC)

Executive Summary: As envisioned and discussed at the CEC retreat in June, this item proposes a new information technology council that interacts with CEC for District-Wide IT Planning and 2004 Bond IT Expenditure Oversight. This new council would replace ITAC. The Technology Leadership Council (TLC) has already been reformed to be the IT Leaders group. That group stands ready to be a “community of interest” for sharing best practices, collaborative efforts, and to serve as a pool of resources to do research and analysis for the new Information Technology Council (ITC).

Background: In the past year or two, ITAC has drifted away from thinking and acting strategically with dialogue becoming increasingly technical. This evolved into a self-reinforcing cycle with fewer executives choosing to participate and delegating to the technical leaders that understand the jargon. We have a need to balance some technical expertise with considerable strategic, and district-wide, perspective. The most pressing goal is to ensure the formation of a clear and specific technology plan. This means the group (in consultation with CEC) may propose uncomfortable technical change. An important guiding principle is that unneeded standardization can reduce the flexibility and performance of a unit or College; while lack of standardization can reduce the flexibility and performance of the enterprise.

Recommendation:

Proposed Membership

Darrel Huish, VC and chair
Paul Dale, President
Maria Hesse, President
Linda Lujan, VP Academic Affairs
Janet Langley, VP Administrative Services
Daniel Corr, VP Academic Affairs
Ed Kelty, VP Information Technology
Greg Rogers, VP Information Technology

Sylvia Manlove, AVC, AASA
Gaye Murphy, AVC Business Services
Eric Leshinski, Director MCLI
Mike Sims, Faculty & Tech Facilities
Casandra Kakar, VP Occ Ed
Debbie Kushibab, VP Student Services

To preserve the strategic orientation of the council, membership may not be delegated.

Desired Outcomes:

This proposal is approved Sept 10, 2008.

ITC members are confirmed as soon as possible.

CEC provides input to ITC in the form of CEC strategic objectives in October 2008.

ITC sponsors a consultative planning event to gather input before ITC decides and publishes an interim technology plan which is due in November 2008.

ITC would meet about 5-6 times a year to select/approve projects, task college IT leaders and/or District ITS with research/analysis assignments, frame issues for CEC planning, and oversee and approve bond expenditures. Twice a year ITC would produce a technology plan update for review and approval by CEC.

Budget Implications: None.

CEC Champion: Darrel Huish