

LMAC Minutes
September 11, 1996

Present: Bartanen (convener), Beezer, Clayson, Ellis, Gardiner, Greene, Lamb, Mitchell, Peterson
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Bartanen conducted the election of a chair. Lamb, Greene and Peterson were nominated and Lamb elected.

Bartanen reminded the committee that last year's committee had questioned the committee's continued existence. Greene stated his belief that the oversight role of the committee was important. Being double-booked, Greene then excused himself and departed.

Peterson suggested committee members review the year-end report of last year's committee. It can be found at <http://www.ups.edu:3080/dean/StCommReports/9596LMAC.html>.

There was further discussion of issues that will face this year's committee. Mitchell indicated that there would be much to discuss with regard to the library, given that the construction of a new academic building will cause major remodeling in the library. Questions about the nature of how the library is used, and the collection maintained, will have implications for the remodeling.

Ellis discussed the likely formation of a Committee on Information Technology (CIT), an outgrowth of the Campus Technology Planning Group's (CTPG) report (available at <http://www.ups.edu:3080/technology/WorkingDocs/report.html>).

Peterson felt the relationship between this new group and LMAC should be discussed.

Mitchell added that the size of this year's book budget should be discussed early in the semester.

Lamb suggested that the committee could further analyze the results of the survey of the faculty that the committee ran last year.

Beezer expressed the desire that the committee could find a mechanism to formally state the faculty's desire (presuming it exists) to more fully integrate computing into the curriculum. Such a statement would be useful

when planning curricular changes and applying for outside grants.

Peterson asked if media services had been explored as part of the CTPG's efforts. Mitchell said there was still some reorganization occurring in the Media department.

After some discussion about which of these topics to address first, it was decided that at the next meeting Marilyn would inform the committee about budget issues. Given the committee's role as a sort of "hearings board" for faculty that wish to discuss the library budget, Mitchell felt it was important that the committee be fully informed.

Lamb suggested we meet every two weeks initially, so the next meeting would be at 3 p.m. on September 25, with a location to be announced. Ellis will update the LMAC-L mailing list to reflect the new membership on the committee.

Prior to adjournment, Ellis addressed the issue of a campus policy statement on computer and network usage. Due to some legal concerns, the statement drafted last year for students was revised over the summer by Ellis and Alan Smith. In so doing, it now uses broad enough language to apply to all members of the campus community. LMAC should review these changes if it was felt necessary.

Adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Submitted by Rob Beezer