Monthly Board Meeting  
Wednesday 28 August 2013  
11:00 am – 12:30 p.m.  
Public Affairs 2035C (SSC Conference Room)

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Jim Davis, Alberto Alquicira, Davida Johnson, Harold Shin, Jackie Reynolds, Jessica Mentesoglu, Linda Holmes, Michelle Chen, Mike Lee, Scott MacKnight, Dave Nguyen, Howard Kim, Caroline Kong, Lariza Johnson, Andre Najera and Philip Postovoit

Meeting Came to order at 11:40am

Welcome and Official Hand Off of Duties to New Board

Jim Davis:

Research Informatics Plan

- Involves around 75 faculty in committee and 30-40 faculty through individual discussions.
- Provide access tools to mine data and provide access to commonly used databases.
- This looks like an interest in "big data".
- They asked what do you need and what do you think needs to be shared.

Challenges

- How do I get access to local resources.
- Lack of standards in data formats.
- No standard protocol for storing code.
- Data loss becomes excessive.

Strategic

- Multi-use data as a strategic point.
- Optimize collaboration.
- Big push to move these things through development and fund raising.

UCLA’s Online Education

- The campus has determined a plan and priority for doing education online.
- Whatever we do, it has to enhance the edu experience for students.
- Don't want to do courses on a piece-mail basis - instead look at it at a program basis.
- Priority is decreasing time to degree completion rate - trying to remove an extra quarter.
- Timely access to large and small classes. This is to address the lack of space or expanding the number of students that can take a course by extending it online.
- Build up enrollment across UC to allow classes with traditionally small enrollment to still be offered.
- Student prep and readiness - do them better by leveraging IT.
- Interest in the hybrid side of things to increase the faculty interaction with students.
- MOOC has been given a lower priority but have not be completely taken off the table.
Cloud

It is interesting how people are thinking about cloud. They are now wondering how do you use cloud in the best way. This takes it away from IT infrastructure and moves it to front-line and support.
Where is the specialization needed and what is the support that is needed?

Plan Future Board Meeting Dates and Times

It was decided Board Meetings will on the 3rd Tuesday of each Month

Members at Large Nominations and Vote

Members at large do not require a vote. President appointed 3 Members at Large.
Jackie Reynolds
Mike Lee
Gerard Au

Director of Community Programs Update

Davida provide update in supplementary document. Will attach as appendix to Meeting Minutes.

Proposal for New Strike Team

EM Monthly User Group meetings was discussed a possible BruinTech initiative. More research is necessary to determine community need.

Scholarships

President proposed moving the scholarship opportunity to the beginning of the academic year. This would allow BruinTech a year to pay for scholarships within the fiscal calendar. The proposal passed unanimously. Albert-Outgoing President will oversee project.
Community Partnership Programs

Upcoming activities

FacTech (Tech speed dating):
- Psychology (September – planned)
- TFT (October – targeting)
- PDP (November – planned)
- Anderson (January – targeting)
- SSC (January/February – planned)

First Fridays
- October – confirmed
Community Partnership Programs

Ideas

IT Superfriends Happy Hour (Palomino’s, then new Wolfgang Puck – 2014)

BruinTech-a-thon (similar to UCCSC, but focusing on UCLA IT initiatives)

- Opportunity for BruinTechs to present their initiatives to peers
- 1 day of 16 presentations across interested IT units (30 mins each)
- IT community can select what presentations they want to see, rather than having to attend all
- Presentations can be recorded and put onto BruinTech site; at minimal, powerpoints uploaded
- Not meant to replace unConference

First Fridays

- Volunteer commitment: 1 1/2 hours rather than 3 hours
- Check-in person who asks specific questions and explains process to emeriti and finds out what they need, and priority, before getting to volunteer.