

Student Tech Fee Council Minutes

February 10th, 2021
Via Microsoft Teams @3pm

Present: Bea Padilla, Christian Castilleja, Ashley-Sue Vizguerra, Lachlan Keenan, Chris Schedler, Dylan Samson, Gerard Hogan, Ginny Tomlinson

Absent: Yessica Baramuli, Joey Vossenhuhl, Michael Berge

Guests: Stacy Swayze, Mike Marchand, Jemell Garris, Jose Alviso, Marla Firman, Jeff Knackstedt

Minutes: Bea Padilla

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by the chair, Christian Castilleja.

Wi-Fi Upgrade Services

Mike Marchand referenced the article from the observer that talked about Wi-Fi on campus and the residence halls. IS did some research and found that the student did not reach out to the service desk regarding the bad connection. But Barto Hall and the CWU campus apartments seem to have some apparent Wi-Fi issues. Jemell stated they are currently doing Wi-Fi upgrades around the campus. The council would like to assist in upgrades if it is a concern, but do not identify any current issues. The council would like to help if residence halls need money, if our allotted fee goes back to \$30 for spring quarter. Ginny stated she didn't think STF funds could go towards that type of funding, Stacy Swayze will work with Joel Klucking to see if it is appropriate use of the STF.

Jemell talked to Tricia Rebel and there are some areas that need replacement of equipment to help with Wi-Fi. Mike did reach out to student who wrote the article to see what changes they would like to see.

Chrome Laptops

The council bought 200 chrome laptops to loan them out for virtual modalities of courses in Spring of 2020, but they are not currently being used. Other departments offered their laptops in the spring, so there were enough for students. Multimodal requested to use 20 chrome laptops for check out use. Ginny said it would make sense to continue lending them out in the future for Multimodal, the library, and the SURC. Chrome books don't have office 365 installed on them, they don't have the client so they can't use apps, they can only use the browser, also only has 32 gigs of storage. Students have to get a Gmail account to use it.

MOTION: Continue to allow other departments that provide laptop check out services to students to use the 200 chrome laptops.

MADE BY: Christopher Schedler. SECOND: Gerard Hogan. VOTE: All in favor, motion carries.

Student Tech Fee Labs on Campus

The council discussed whether or not to fully continue funding all of the current tech fee labs. With modalities of teaching changing, the council wants to know if we need as many labs as we have and if they are actually being all used. Black 226 and 227 don't really get used, they are used mostly for orientation, scheduled every once in a while. Shaw has 4 labs and only Shaw 216 is for student use only. L&L is not really used either. Marla Firman and Jeff Knackstedt asked the council to think of repurposing the labs, making putting a survey together and asking the students what they want. CSS is going to provide stats on the usage of these labs. The initial purpose of computer labs has changed, especially if we continue to use VDI- virtual labs after covid. Ginny stated she wasn't sure if we were going to continue to use, but she would like to.

The council would like to send surveys to see what students want out of labs and send it from ASCWU. Lachlan is going to come up with questions for survey.

Voting

Michael Berge
Christian Castilleja
Ashley-Sue Vizguerra
Gerard Hogan
Chris Schedler
Lachlan Keenan
Yessica Baramuli
Joey Vossenkuhl
Dylan Samson

Non-Voting

Ginny Tomlinson
Bea Padilla