

Student Tech Fee Council Minutes

February 3, 2022
Via Teams @ 9am

Present: Jared Gogel, Jaycob Mace, Nik Simurdak, Chris Schedler, and Julio Espinola

Absent: Ginny Tomlinson, Niranjan Malla, Phuong Nguyen, Bea Padilla, and Alejandra Cruz-Martinez

Guests: Mark Di Virgilio, Stacy Swayze and Marla Firman

Minutes: Jaycob Mace

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 9:02am by the chair, Nik Simurdak.

Presentations

Mark Di Virgilio from EGE presented to the council regarding his request to have the council fund student staff at the CWU-Lynnwood Center. The requested amount is for \$4,347 and would be used to fund one student during Spring and Summer quarter.

Mark feels that if students are paying tuition and fees, they should be able to use the labs. Mark has not seen the computer labs pre-covid which limits his knowledge of the lab usage. Mark has two student ambassadors that will help with the lab that will not use the funding requested here.

Mark says that the labs have around 30 computer stations and two printers. He says that they like to keep this lab open until 9 Monday-Thursday because the students are usually students that work.

Marla says that the labs have everything that that a lab here on CWU campus because it is a Tech Fee lab.

Stacy makes the point that student employees can only work 20 hours per week. This has made Mark realize he needs two student employees not one.

Questions about enrollment numbers were asked Mark stated that enrollment numbers have been down but there are around 500 students enrolled at the Lynnwood campus.

Mark said he plans to only have one lab open on campus so Jaycob mentioned having the employee manage more than one lab to allow for students to have more options on campus.

The committee suggests sending an email to Mark to have him send updated numbers for his funding request. The committee is looking for a couple options for how many student employees he wants and how much exactly it will cost. The committee also

would like to suggest seeing how many hours the labs need to be open in the summer, to potentially save on costs.

Mark left at 9:21

Stacy Swayze asked to clarify that the committee would be comfortable paying for shipping (out and return shipping) which would cost around \$40-\$50. The council confirmed they will pay for the shipping costs.

Marla mentioned that the committee may need to help fund some replacement power adaptors and laptop cases in the future and will provide us with numbers of items needed for next meeting. The council will fund these costs since they are wanting to keep the laptop lending program going.

Jared Gogel gave some clarifications to how the process went when giving out laptops last year. He made it known that they have certain precautions in place that protects the university from losing the laptops which includes the option to shut down the usage of the laptop if not returned.

The committee is looking for an updated form from the IS department that will be used to have students request a laptop. The committee feels like the most important part of this process is not to limit who gets a laptop but to ensure that the laptops will be returned.

MOTION: No motion called today, more information was needed

Construction management is requesting laptops for a conference that will be used for a two-week period (until Feb. 14th). The committee agrees that this would be okay as the committee has approved laptops for other departments.

The next item on the agenda that was discussed was the question list that will be used for an Instagram poll on the student government page. Nik suggested using the questions:

1. Are the Wepa Kiosks convenient for you to use? (Y/N)
2. Do you find that the \$15 printing budget (per quarter) is enough to meet your needs? (Y/N)
3. Are there technology issues or any other factors that influence your desire or ability to use the WEPA kiosks? (short answer)

4. Are the Wepa kiosks located in places that are convenient for you? (short answer)

5. Are the Wepa printing kiosks your only printing source for academic materials? (y/n)

Meeting adjourned at 9:56 am.

Voting

Alejandra Cruz-Martinez

Jaycob Mace

Jared Gogel

Julio Espinola

Phuong Nguyen

Bausav Malla

Nik Simurdak

Chris Schedler

Non-Voting

Ginny Tomlinson

Bea Padilla