Technology Advisory Board (TAB) Minutes of Meeting of September 20, 2000

Location: Andy Holt Tower, 4th Floor Conference Room

Time: 2:00 - 3:00p.m.

Attendance:

Members: Bill Britten, Eric Beaty, Allen Cain, Will Carver, Jim Gehlhar, Nathan Hammer, Dewitt Latimer, Susan Metros, Keith Morton, Faye Muly, Joshua Morrison, John Mount, Marla Peterson, Stan Pinkleton, Jim Schwab, and Matthew Thigpen.

Others: Becky Cassill, Chris Cimino, Nancy Gnilka, Julie Little, Robin McNeil, Linda Painter, and Judy Travis.

Faye Muly, Co-Chair, opened the meeting. Since this was the first meeting of FY2001, and we had some new faces, everyone introduced themselves.

Dewitt Latimer gave a presentation of the VolNet Project. The complete report on this initiative can be found on the web at: http://volnet.utk.edu/full_report.html. Latimer emphasized VolNet embodies a philosophy of continual renewal as well as a large-scale up-front campus-wide reworking of the present network of which the first three phases should take three to four years to complete.

Latimer also gave the group an overview of Wireless Network Access. Details of this technology may also be seen on the Volnet website, http://volnet.utk.edu/whitepapers/wireless.html .

Muly said the group will be forming sub-committees for planning purposes for the next fiscal year (FY02). Some areas suggested for sub-committee consideration included Wireless Access, student computer ownership issues, Walk-in Consulting and Help Desk, and printing options.

Susan Metros reminded everyone the Teaching and Learning with Technology Group (TLT) and ORIT's Innovative Technology Center will recognize excellence in using technology to support teaching and learning at The University of Tennessee by sponsoring the Best Practices @ UT2000 Showcase, which will be held on Tuesday, September 26 at the University Center. It will highlight innovative teaching and learning solutions which are being developed and delivered by our faculty. The room will be set up as a fully wireless networking environment.

Nancy Gnilka provided handouts of the FY00 Actual Deliverables, FY01 Proposed Deliverables and FY01 Budget Outline. The FY01 budget was based on a FY99 total fee revenue rate since we anticipate an enrollment rate closer to FY99 figures. (Tech Fee Deliverables can be found on the web page at: http://web.utk.edu/~techfee/Deliverables-index.html.)

Stan Pinkleton announced DII has negotiated a license contract with Norton for the Norton Anti-Virus software for every machine on campus. The expense for the students will be taken from the Technology Fee. This software can be downloaded from http://www.nav.utk.edu.

The next meeting is scheduled for 2:00p.m., October 18, in the 4th Floor Conference Room of Andy Holt Tower.

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