

# **Technology Advisory Board (TAB)**

## **Minutes of Meeting of November 16, 2005**

Location: 4th Floor Conference Room, Andy Holt Tower

Time: 2:30PM

### **Attendance:**

Victor Barr, Brice Bible, Barbara Dewey, Stephen Esposito, Daniel Feather, Denise Haley, Judy Huddleston, Julie Little, Robert Osborne, Anne Mayhew, Mike McNeil, Robin McNeil, Stan Pinkleton, David Ratledge, Rita Smith, Akan Udoeyop, Gretchen Whitney

### **I. ECAR Study on students and IT**

Julie Little presented a short synopsis of a recent ECAR study on IT in which the University of Tennessee freshmen and seniors were participants. There were thirty institutions participating in this study. The University of Tennessee had the largest student response of all of the participating institutions. The study identifies some interesting and helpful findings for the educational community as it shows student's use of information technology. Overall the students rank their IT experience at UT as a very positive one which speaks well of our institution.

The full ECAR report is located at <http://web.utk.edu/~techfee/documents/ECAR2005.pdf>

### **II. Planning for Future Services**

Stephen Esposito requested that members work with him to plan for future services to be provided by the Technology Fee. To facilitate in the planning process, Brice Bible gave a short review of the four main service categories approved by the Board of Trustees in 1996 that still hold true today.

- Network Enhancements – provide a network that is up-to-date, reliable and secure
- Equipment Upgrades in Open and Departmental Computer Labs – provide student access to computer labs equipped with the appropriate hardware and software
- Student Support Services Enhancements – provide services to students such as statistical support, specialized software, training, etc.
- Academic and Instructional Technology. Enhancements – Provide appropriate academic and instructional technology via a virtual learning environment, a physical learning environment, smart boards, technology enhanced classrooms, etc.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Technology Advisory Board will be Wednesday, January 18, 2005, at 2:30 PM, in the 4th Floor Conference Room, Andy Holt Tower.

Minutes by: Karen Tadlock