

# Student Software License Group

## Kick-off Meeting

Thursday, February 22, 2007  
10:30 AM

### *Attending:*

Louise Gisleson, School of Business  
Kevin Marinelli, Mathematics Department  
Keith Blanchard, Student Affairs IT  
Padma Srimatkandada, Student Affairs IT  
Steven Park, Learning Resource Center  
Gary Hendrickson, Neag School of Education  
Matthew Ross, Neag School of Education

### *Absent:*

Karen Skudlarek, Undergraduate Education

Charge: To identify and evaluate student volume license software purchases in the best interest of the entire student population and university-wide academic needs.

### **Issue 1:** Microsoft Campus Agreement – extending to ALL students

- o NSOE and BUSN currently have agreement for their respective technology fee programs.
- o UConn campus agreement up for renewal – suggestion to include all students in next round
- o MS Campus agreement includes:
  - All OS versions
  - All Office versions (including Mac Office)
  - CAL for exchange access
- o Current cost for ~2500 students is \$17/student
- o Estimated cost to license all students, faculty and staff would be ~\$5/person
- o Committee must build business case for including students
- o Four main topics to address:
  - WHY?
    - Supports GEOC requirements
    - Prepares for workforce
    - Strategic Plan group made recommendation:

- “UCONN not ready for laptop program on campus - revisit in 2-5 years” – currently we can not guarantee students have access to the MS software suite.
  - Funding Method:
    - Seeded – cost recovery through media charge
      - (only students who want the software will buy)
    - Fee Bill – all students pay
  - Distribution:
    - Utilize Co-op method for media
    - Server based solution (tied to netid) for apps
  - Support:
    - 3rd party assistance during move-in
    - Co-op
    - Resnet
    - Schools and Colleges
- Why not Open Source?
    - We are training students for future
    - Not fully supported
    - Requires some level of expertise
  - UITS representative indicates that adding students to Exchange will solve several of the current problems and also make management easier
  - Funding and storage is an issue
  - Approval for student fee will require BOT approval.
  - New Student Technology Advisory Committee in process.
  - K. Blanchard will touch base with Sue Lipsky to choose two representatives (one UG, one GRAD) to sit on this committee

**Issue 2:** This committee will look at ALL software options for students, not just Microsoft.

- Additional Software License suggestions:
  - Apple OS – K. Marinelli and G. Hendrickson will follow up on options

**NEXT MEETING: 3/8 in Student Union 321**