

## UM School of Education Technology Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date:** April 11, 2014

**Location:** Room 211, Guyton Hall

**Chairperson:** John Holleman

Meeting began: 2:00 PM

Committee members present:

- Dean David Rock
- Andrew Abernathy
- Allan Bellman
- Qiang Cheng
- Renee Cunningham
- John Holleman
- Carol Hopkins
- Jerilou Moore
- Clay Pounds
- Smitty Horne

**Welcome:** John Holleman opened the topics of discussion for meeting:

- Continued Recommendations for SOE Computer Lab 215 Redesign
- Google in Education Summit Interest

### **SOE Lab/Classroom Recommendations**

1. Clay Pounds offered suggestions for technology installation service through Academic Technologies, Inc. from Jackson, MS. Discussion ensued concerning television monitors, presently considered to include four 70 inch screens, or three 80 inch screens. Introduced possibility of purchase one touch screen to facilitate instruction as *smart boards* are rarely used, and few students are capable of use of those devices.
2. Committee discussion of room configuration and furniture purchase opened with the announcement that the University interior design liaison is on maternity leave with no announced date of return.
3. Additional technologies were suggested, including use of *ClickShare*- external connection device that allows synchronization of multiple devices without use of local bandwidth; update of new computer devices for continued company support and enhanced student comfort in use; purchase of new hardware and software, including cameras for monitors and video editing software; and discussion of printers in the lab including methods for installing wireless printing or the opening kitchen space for repurpose as a computer bar for secure printer network.

### **Google in Education Summit**

4. Committee discussion of interest and feasibility of *Google in Education* summit opened. A suggestion was made to provide space for Google host; Google responsible for registration and hosting, sponsoring committee responsible for providing support services for Keynotes and facilities.
5. Registration costs were discussed and considered. Expense for classroom teachers reviewed; consensus amongst present committee members that cost was high, however, the exposure to and training on current technologies was highly valuable and desirable. Proposed competition for \$250 participant registration coverage.
6. Dean Rock indicated that he would be willing to fund the training of up to 5 faculty members or graduate students to attend a Google in Education summit elsewhere and – in exchange for the training, those who would go through the training would present in the delivery of our SOE Google in Education summit during 2014-15. John Holleman suggested that he would prepare a draft announcement for committee members to consider and, if approved, would send out a call for participation among SOE faculty and staff.

Meeting Adjourned: 3:15 PM