UW Technology Working Group Sub-team Update April 2010

Background

In early 2009, the UW Technology Working Group (WG) formed sub-teams to advance the following goals:

- Establish a sustainable model for funding technology strategy and operations, including state (GOF), local (DOF), and recharge models
- Develop internal financial reporting mechanisms and models to assure accountability and control of resources
- Determine service delivery models for UW Technology in administrative and research information technology, looking at short- and long-term University needs
- Strengthen institutional oversight of self sustaining activities and broader controls for deficits and financial risk management
- Improve the organizational climate within UW Technology

The sub-teams completed their work with the following results:

SubTeam	Goal	Current Status	Next Steps
COMPLETE			
UWTV	To develop a self sustaining business plan	Complete. Upon approval by President, UWTV transferred to External Relations effective October 2009.	None
UW Tech Internal Financial Reporting	To develop financial and management reports for UW Technology	Complete. Reports reviewed by WG and will be used by UW Technology Business & Finance to inform managers of budget status.	None
Deficit Policy	To develop a University-wide deficit policy	Complete. WG approved draft policy Nov 4 and "handoff" to Planning & Budgeting (P&B) for final implementation.	P&B work with Rules Coordination Office to establish deficit resolution policy as an Administrative Policy Statement (APS) by April 2010.
Financial Risk	To create a framework for oversight of self sustaining units	Complete. WG approved draft policy Nov 4 to include annual review of top 6-8 non-audited units by P&B/FM.	Ongoing. FM schedule review of top 6-8 non-audited units on an annual basis.

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UW Tech Climate Culture and Engagement	To identify and recommend program to build and sustain trust throughout UW Tech and facilitate resiliency and staff engagement	Complete. WG approved recommendations Nov 4 and "handoff" to Kelli Trosvig and V'Ella Warren for next steps.	None
NEARLY COMPLETE			
Financial Management Awareness	To provide Vice Provosts, Vice Presidents, Deans, and Chancellors the necessary tools, training, and information to effectively manage the financial responsibilities for their organizations	Nearly Complete. The team developed a Web-based portal and financial toolkit to assist UW senior leaders. Initial draft approved by WG Nov 18.	Finalize toolkit as a Web page, and collect feedback by April 2010.
Technology Strategy Governance	To develop framework for evaluating technology opportunities that better align with institutional strategies	Nearly Complete. The WG recommended establishing a strategic advisory group and is providing potential membership to President/Provost for final approval.	Initial rollout Summer/Fall 2010.
EFFORTS TO CONCLUDE 2010			
Funding/Recharge Model	To develop a sustainable funding model for supporting UW Technology	Consultant (WTC) working with sub-team, Implementation Team, and WG established recharge fee based on per capita and identified basic services.	Continue campus communication. Implement July 1, 2010.
Service Delivery Model ("General" and Research)	To ensure services align with needs of campus and researchers, in particular	Incorporated into Funding/Recharge Model efforts.	
Funding Commitment Process	To develop process for explicit documentation/approval for funding commitments	P&B presented draft funding commitment approval process to WG at March 24, 2010 meeting.	Link funding commitment approval process with Financial Awareness Toolkit.
Expand Role of Management Accounting and Analysis (MAA)	To consider broadening recharge review process to include wider scope of potential recharge activities	MAA presented draft recommendations to WG; will incorporate feedback and review at April WG meeting.	WG discussion April 2010.