

Proposal to Add a New Standing Committee on Information Technology

Proposal: To add a new University Council standing committee, the Information Technology Committee.

Rationale: Because information technology affects all aspects of University work, the University Council should add an Information Technology Committee to provide a liaison between the Council, the constituents it represents, and the various technology units at the University.

Revision:

Description: The Information Technology Committee reviews, evaluates, and recommends policies, procedures, and activities pertaining to information technology and advises the Council and the President accordingly.

Information Technology Committee

A. Membership

Faculty: One voting member of the Information Technology Committee shall be elected from the faculty of each School or College, except for the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences, which shall have two voting faculty members, one representing the Arts and Humanities and the other the Sciences. Faculty may be elected from within or outside the University Council and shall serve three-year terms.

Students: One undergraduate and one graduate/professional student shall be elected by the student members of the University Council. The student members may be elected from within or outside the University Council. They shall serve one-year terms on the committee as voting members.

Staff: Two staff members, elected by the Staff Council, may be elected from within or outside the University Council. They shall serve three-year terms on the committee as voting members.

Administration: The Vice President for Information Technology shall be an ex-officio non-voting member of the committee.

Technology Committee Chair: The Chair of the Technology Committee shall be elected from among the faculty and staff members of the committee by July 1 for the following year.

B. Duties

1. To consult with and advise the Office of the Vice President for Information Technology on existing strategies, priorities, and policies regarding University information technology and how they compare to those at other USG and peer and aspirational institutions.
2. To advise the VPIT in evaluating and adopting new information technology.

3. To bring to the University Council proposals and recommendations concerning any information technology issue that may affect the educational, research, service, and equity objectives and mission of the University.
4. To review reports from the VPIT that explain changes and actions taken in response to the Committee's recommendations.