QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE
COMMITTEE on COMPUTER RESOURCES
An Academic Senate Standing Committee

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
May 10, 2007, in M-127 at 12:00 PM

Attending: Sharon Ellerton, Danny Mangra, Phyllis Pace, George Sherman, Jun Shin, George Thorsen and Craig Weber.

Absent: Robert Kueper, Nam Jong Moh

2007-2008 Committee Members in Attendance: Ann Liao, Anthony Kolios

1. Unanimous approval of minutes from the April 19, 2007 meeting.
2. Chair Thorsen's report on the QCC Tech Fee Committee Meeting re: CUNY-Microsoft contract:
    a. ACC Director, Bruce Naples, indicated the contract was cost-effective in terms of supporting his computers, irrespective of faculty usage.
    b. QCC representative to CUNY IT steering committee will request
        i.   an audit of number of people that avail themselves of the software
        ii. alignment of web page presentation with the reality of downloading.
3. Chair Thorsen's report on the Academic Senate Meeting of May 7, 2007 re: clickers
    a. unanimous approval of the i-clicker as per the recommendation of the CCR at the Ad Hoc committee meeting April 26, 2007.
    b. Approximately 100 clickers will be purchased and made available for academic senate meetings, and to instructors.
    c. Clickers should be available by September.
4. Suggested improvement of the newsletter: to add a question/comment component. Chair Thorsen and Prof. Kueper will work on including this into the next newsletter.
5. Prof. Mangra will take over managing the group mailbox.
6. Prof. Pace, who is not returning to the committee next year, requested to put on record the excellent job Chair Thorsen has done running the CCR.
7. Elections of the CCR chair and secretary for 2007-2008 was held since a quorum of the 2007-2008 voting members were present. Results:
    a. Chair: 3 votes for George Thorsen
    b. Secretary: 3 votes for Sharon Ellerton
    c. 1 abstention

8. New Business:

    a. Chair Thorsen's request for new CCR related issues, particularly from new members

        i. Prof. Liao raised issues she experienced with students not being able to view, print or type documents in the library since library computers don't have word-processing programs. Chair Thorsen pointed out that laptops are available in the library with word-processing.

        ii. Chair Thorsen suggested the CCR review library computer policies and provide recommendations to the new chief librarian

    b. IT Director Sherman reported that egrading will be available this semester and that eroster and egrading have been separated so that you can still egrade even if you did not eroster.

    c. Topic for newsletter – saving powerpoint documents as pps which opens with a web browser.

    d. Office suite 2007 – can this be included in the MS contract for home use at greatly reduced prices?

9. Chair Thorsen will send out a form in September to determine committee member availability.

10. Motion to adjourn at 12:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon S. Ellerton