

**University of Washington**  
**Faculty Council on Educational Technology**  
Monday, March 12, 2007  
26 Gerberding Hall

Chair Kaminsky called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

**Meeting Synopsis**

1. Approve Agenda
2. Approve Minutes
3. Chair's Announcements
4. Open Announcements
5. Committee Discussion of the following topics:
  - a. Live Webcams on Campus
  - b. Educational Technology on Campus & Beyond
  - c. Copyright & Webpages
6. News from Catalyst, Libraries, etc.
7. Open Announcements
8. New Business

**1. Agenda – Reviewed, Not Approved**

**2. January 29, 2007 Minutes – Not Approved, Deferred to Next Meeting**

**3. Chair's Announcements**

- *\*\* Due to member absences, no quorum can be established today for voting/approval. \*\**  
This meeting will be informative only.
- The webcam proposal has been renamed to "UW Webcams," to accurately reflect reference to owners wanting to run their webcams under the UW name, and not necessarily those operating for personal use.
- The Senate Executive Meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2007. Kaminsky will be sure to be on the agenda. Berger may assist in the presentation of the Plagiarism package.

**4. No Open Announcements**

**5. Committee Discussions**

*a. Live Webcams on Campus*

- The supporting document, attached to the agenda, has been supplied by Kaminsky. The committee holds a brief review of this document, highlighting that these guidelines would apply to those persons wishing to operate webcams under the UW name.
- Kaminsky notes that by committing to pre-established guidelines, and registering their equipment, webcam owners would be protected from retaliation. In addition, this would also allow for the protection of people being viewed, and would give UW access to their content and approval thereof. Additional benefits would be centralized data and listings of operating webcams on campus to students, staff and visitors.
- The committee briefly discusses examples of webcams currently operating on campus (Red Square cam, Kaminsky's X-Ray lab cam, etc.) and the potential for more to pop-up in the coming months and years. Noting that while the current number is low, the potential for more is high, and that a set of guidelines would help to shape the future use of webcams, and provide preventative measures of procedure and response, rather than reactive ones, while protecting the UW, its staff, faculty and students, and public image.

- Leggott agrees that a policy of registration heightens and formalizes the responsibilities of the webcam owner, and creates a record of consent/commitment. She also notes that this proposal may benefit the UW further, by attracting additional visitors to the webcams, and campus, with the centralization of listings.
- It is reiterated that the webcams must operate within UW policies and procedures, and the question of departmental websites operating on their own is raised, and how this should be controlled. Kaminsky restates that this proposal, and umbrella of protection, would apply only to those registered with UW listing, and adhering to specified guidelines.

b. *Educational Technology on Campus and Beyond*

- Moy recommended agenda item – deferred to next meeting.

c. *Copyright and Webpages*

- Kaminsky states that no proposal has been made to date, and that the topic of ownership of text and images also overlaps with other FCET topics and proposals (webcams, plagiarism). If the committee is interested in continuing this review, it will be added as a discussion item on a future agenda.

6. **News from Catalyst, Libraries, etc.**

- Ward relates that, in collaboration with Educational Outreach, a position to assist with the facilitation and support of distance learning courses has just recently been filled. This position was previously referred to as the “Internet Librarian.”

7. **New Business**

- Lewis suggests a conversation between Kaminsky, Miller and Michael Eisenberg, Chair of ATAC, to review ATAC topics and ideas for possible future FCET discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m. *Minutes by Alyssa Robbins, Administrative Assistant, Computing & Communications.*

**Present:**        ***Faculty members:*** Kaminsky, Leggott  
                       ***Ex-officio members:*** Corbett (Sub for Minton), Ward  
                       ***Guests:*** Lewis

**Absent:**         ***Faculty members:*** Berger, Conroy, Kanal, Miller  
                       ***President’s designee:*** Moy  
                       ***ASUW Representative:*** L. Lane  
                       ***Guests:*** C. Lane