Faculty Senate/All University Committee Report (2011-12)

Committee:	Information Technology	**Prepared By:**	Eric Anderson	**Date:**	10/27/11

Faculty Members at the Meeting:	Eric Anderson, Lisa Beckelhimer, Michelle Conda, Anton Harfmann, Ken Hirsh, Brett Harnett, Maureen Schomaker, Hazem Said, Paul Foster (UCit)

Topics Discussed:	• Blackboard
	  ○ Upgrade to v9.1 will be happening on 12/16/11
	  ○ Discussed the need for faculty to have time to try the new features of 9.1. A "sandbox" version will be installed on 11/13/11 for faculty to try everything out.
	  ○ Current version of Bb is very slow for some people
	  ○ Some UCit student workers have administrator accounts in Bb that gives them access to Instructor areas like gradebooks. We helped Paul Foster create a policy to audit the admin account activity and give instructors a notification letter that one of their students has an admin account.
	  ○ UC provides Bb to several other educational institutions in the area. There is a potential conflict of interest if Bb goes down because our contracts give us a financial incentive to fix the outside groups before UC. We discussed changes to the contracts that would be fair to all parties involved.
	• Blue Ribbon Task Force Report
	  ○ Reviewed the Blue Ribbon Task Force report and the new action teams that will be formed to implement its recommendations.
	  ○ We are interested to see who will be appointed to these action teams and believe it might be an issue for discussion in the future.

Action Items: **List item and attach supporting document if action requires such background**	• None

Describe action needed on items above (discussion and input, vote, etc):	**By Whom**:
• None	___ By Faculty Senate ___ By Cabinet ___ Others (List-)
Next Meeting Date? – End of November. Date TBD.	

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