**IT Steering Committee**

**05/15/18**

**Computer Replacement Initiative Update**

* Presented by Tony Moreira, Vice Provost For Academic Affairs.
* Academic Affairs received 137 applications; 99 were recommended for funding and 99 were funded for a total of $88,600.
* Non-academic divisions requested approximately 55 (down from last year since Administration and Finance did a big push for replacements last year).

**DoIT Plans for FY19**

* Presented by Jack Suess, VP of Information Technology, John Fritz, Assoc. VP, Information Technology and Damian Doyle, Senior Director of Enterprise Infrastructure.
* Damian gave an update on the High Performance Computing (HPC) cluster, funded by a grant from NSF. HPC will be used for augmenting and enhancing our current set up, which we have been building for the past 10 years.
* John is working with a committee looking at the state of video in higher education, based on an EDUCAUSE white paper. (Educause is a nonprofit association in the United States whose mission is "to advance higher education through the use of information technology".) The committee will formulate recommendations in this area in the next year.
* Jack reviewed DoIT’s key projects and objectives for FY19. These are detailed in the handout included with these notes.

**Tour of the Visualization CAVE**

* Presented by Don Engel, AVP for Research.
* Don led the group on a tour of the CAVE (second floor if the ITE building) and introduced us to the students and staff working on and with the “video wall” (24 high-definition monitors linked together so they can project ultra-detailed images). Please contact Don for information on the different projects associated with the CAVE.

Feel free to send questions my way.

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