

Darwin College Computer Committee – Minutes

Meeting date: Wednesday 4 February 2015

Present: Alan Blackwell (chair), Matthew Edwards, Espen Koht, Andrew Melzer, Andy Pitts, Carl Rasmussen

No declarations of interest were recorded

Apologies: none

Minutes of the last meeting were approved

743. Website update

Homepage carousel is showing lecture series posters this term. EK plans to collect further variety, including seasonal images, in future.

ME plans to commission a custom layout for accommodation pages, and a microsite with information promoting conference and banqueting services.

Alumnus David Cann has offered to assist as webmaster on a casual basis. AB and AM will advertise for one more student webmaster via Facebook.

744. DCSA site update

Template is in place, content migration should be complete this term.

DCBC are planning to move boat club content back in to DCSA site.

Bar committee and May Ball committee will continue to maintain separate sites, if possible hosted via virtual machines on college servers.

745. Computing facilities status

Study centre: All PCs are now updated to Windows 7, EK is planning next move to Windows 8.

Printer relocation to end room is complete.

Heavy load of security patching to servers since last meeting, with upgrades applied as convenient

A pilot installation of OwnCloud is being trialled for distribution of committee papers (EK will add branding)

EK notes that library circulation system needs renewal, probably with RFID labels rather than barcodes

Reserved business: plans were discussed for networked security cameras and door locks

746. DCSA communications status

Nothing further to report

747. University information systems

New structure of University Information Services (UIS) has not yet provided channels of communication for the college IT managers group (CITMG).

Colleges are represented on the new Information Strategy Committee (ISC) by one Bursar and one Senior Tutor, but it is not clear whether the Bursars' subcommittee on IT has yet been reconstituted to take advantage of that structure.

Date of next meeting:

Wednesday 29 April 2015

Alan Blackwell
8 February 2015