

BOARD OF REGENTS
EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

SECTION:

DATE:

January 19, 2007

RECOMMENDATION

Information and Communications Technology Initiatives Report

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the ICT Report be accepted and placed on file.

STAFF SUMMARY

The attached Executive Overview provides a progress report for each of the ICT Strategic Initiatives currently underway.

All initiatives are currently meeting schedule targets and budgets.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The ICT initiatives are funded through a combination of the Information Technology Fee approved by the Board and the ICT General Fund budget.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The proposed Board action has been reviewed and is recommended for Board approval.

University Executive Officer

Date

ICT STRATEGIC INITIATIVES PROGRESS REPORT

Technology Infrastructure

Wireless:

- Completed, planned and future installation locations are available at:
<http://ict.emich.edu/wireless>
 - ✓ Classrooms completed.
 - ✓ New Student Center completed.
 - ✓ Four residence halls are complete: Walton, Putnam, Phelps, and Sellers.
 - ✓ Several administration buildings in progress.

VoIP:

- Installation of VoIP in the Student Center is complete and successful.
- Currently working on administrative issues related to VoIP, such as billing processes.
- Beginning phase of creating proposal for campus-wide VoIP implementation.

Computer Refresh Program

- The Computer Refresh Program for FY06-07 is complete and successful. The FY07-08 Faculty-Staff Computer Refresh Program is planned to begin in early March. Estimated roll-out in late July.

CALEA Update

- Attending a workshop hosted by Merit on January 31st in Ann Arbor for Michigan Higher Education institutions to discuss the interpretation, impact and other compliancy details of CALEA.

ERP (Banner) Upgrades

- To comply with federal government regulations for Financial Aid and year-end finance and payroll processing, upgrades to the Banner system were successfully implemented over the winter break.

New Technology Projects

- Collaborated with the Faculty Development Center, Faculty Council and Continuing Education to deliver a successful pilot podcasting program. The program provided required equipment, pedagogical training and technology training to 12 faculty members and lecturers representing each college. A comprehensive article appeared in the December 12th issue of the Focus EMU. Program is continuing during Winter 2007.