UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG
FACULTY OF INFORMATICS EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting 7/06 held at 1.30pm on Thursday 7 December 2006 in the Faculty Meeting Room, Building 39, room 150a.

PRESENT: A/Prof F Naghdy (Chair), Prof S Bouzerdoum, Ms B James, A/Prof R Macgregor, Ms A Meldrum, A/Prof P Nickolas, Dr A Porter, Ms H Tootell, Mr P Vial and Dr A Worthy.

IN ATTENDANCE: Dr G Hampton, Ms A Melano and Ms L Corrin, Ms A Panetta.

1. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS
*1.1 Apologies/Leave of Absence

*1.2 Arrangement of Agenda
1.2.1 Items 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 2, 3, 6, and 8 were starred for discussion.

1.2.2 A motion to adopt the draft resolutions for the unstarred items was carried.

*1.3 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Meeting of 25 October 2006

The Committee confirmed the minutes of Meeting 6/06 held on 25 October 2006.

1.4 Business Arising from the Previous Minutes

*2. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR – VERBAL REPORT

The Chair reported that the BIST Review Committee would be meeting tomorrow, 8 December. He advised that there are ten representatives on the Committee, three of which come from the ICT industry.

The Committee will meet and make its recommendations. These recommendations will then be forwarded to the Vice-Chancellor and Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) for approval. If approved, these recommendations will be reported back to the Faculty for implementation.

*3. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND FEEDBACK

*3.1 ePortfolio for IAC201

Ms Sarah Lambert, CEDIR, gave a brief presentation on the ePortfolio package. She advised that so far there have been three trials of ePortfolio on campus. ePortfolio gives students an opportunity to record their achievements at university and within the community. A project team, consisting of faculty representatives, has been established to implement the package.
Ms Lambert reported that the software package, Blackboard, has been bought by the University and is now operational. The tool is student-driven and is not compulsory.

Ms Lambert advised that it was agreed last year through a Faculty Service Agreement that IACT201 be trialled with ePortfolio and asked that the Committee approve the draft resolution.

Resolved FEC06/23:
That FEC recommends approval of IACT201 to be trialled for ePortfolio during 2007.

*3.2 Faculty Service Agreements

There were 6 Faculty Service Agreement Expressions of Interest submitted to the FEC. It was suggested that the two projects from Mark Nelson and Anne Porter be amalgamated. The EOIs were ranked as follows:

1. Katina Michael
2. Gene Awyzio
3. Graham Williams
4. Mark Nelson
5. Akemi Chatfield

It was noted that no EOIs were submitted by SECTE. Mr Peter Vial expressed his concern over this and suggested that the SECTE SEC encourage staff to submit EOIs in the future.

*3.3 UOW Graduate Attributes Project 2006

A/Professor Greg Hampton, Student Services, provided a brief presentation on the proposed new graduate attributes model. He distributed a handout which summarised the progress of the graduate attributes project and called for discussion and feedback on the proposed five graduate ‘qualities’.

4. NEXT MEETING

Meeting dates for 2007 to be advised.

Angelina Panetta
Secretary
5 January 2007