

Senate Committee on Information Technology and Media Services (IT&Media)

2017-2018 Report to the Senate

The Senate IT&Media Committee held two meetings during the 2017-2018 academic year. The agenda for these meetings included the following items:

1) Update on Information Technology Services (ITS)'s project portfolio from Bob Heinrich and Scott Huston: Bob and Scott updated the committee on a wide range of projects either underway, complete, or about to be started. Those projects include (among many others): a newly designed portal (responsive design to better support mobile browsing), which was designed in-house; identity management enhancements; rolling out a new version of Banner 9; use of Amazon Web Services for business continuity, maximizing availability, and for disaster recovery (e.g., instead of backup tapes stored in facility in Philly); new cell towers on campus; Office 365 with cloud hosting for faculty/staff e-mail; updated ITS website; Google Apps for Education; Wi-Fi access for campus guests; Cybersecurity awareness initiatives such as the phishing test; and ITS's FY19 budget request.

2) Annual review of the instructional continuity plan: Linda Feeney's office maintains this plan. The Senate IT&Media Committee reviews the plan annually and provides feedback for revisions.

3) Reviewed the guidelines for Use of Alternative Online Tools in Instruction.

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