

Faculty Senate Information Technology Committee, Tennessee State University

Mission and Charge

The Faculty Senate Information Technology Committee (“the Committee”) provides faculty input and makes recommendations regarding information technology (IT) strategy and implementation at Tennessee State University (TSU) to those units and committees charged with IT decision making, including as appropriate the University Technology Budget and Allocation Committee; the Center for Teaching, and Learning Technology unit; the Office for Technology Services; and any future University units and committees with IT-related responsibilities. The scope of Committee input and recommendations may include any IT matter which affects TSU faculty in their work or employee roles, to include but not limited to systems, infrastructure, software, and equipment used for instruction, advising, research and University administrative operations. By maintaining ongoing communication with other units and committees involved in IT decision making at the University, this Committee also keeps the Faculty Senate informed regarding IT strategy and implementation at the University.

The Committee also provides direct IT support to the Faculty Senate on one area: ensuring the creation and maintenance of a Faculty Senate webpage. It is understood that the Committee is not responsible for writing of the content to be displayed and updated on that page. It will be the responsibility of the other part of Faculty Senate to follow a standard procedure and decide what materials are appropriate to post, in what form (ex. PDF, EXCEL, WORD document), and verified and approved by whom (ex. Faculty Senate Secretary or Chair).

Definition

The Information Technology Committee comprises one full-time faculty member from each College, appointed by the Dean of, or elected by the faculty of that College. Committee members serve two-year terms. The chair of the Information Technology Committee is appointed by the Faculty Senate.

Objectives

1. Provide faculty input to the development of University IT strategy.
2. Provide faculty input regarding implementation of new and ongoing University IT projects.
3. Make recommendations regarding IT expenditures related to teaching and learning at the University.
4. Maintain an ongoing dialog and relationship with all units/committees involved in IT at the University (ex. Communications & Information Technology; Center for Technology, Teaching & Learning Technology, and University Library) so that we can inform the Faculty Senate and our Colleges of developments in this area.