

E-mail: CIT to explore privacy issues, policy options

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chief information officer, director of networking, director of systems, assistant manager of systems, and any systems administrator or network administrator (on the systems or networks they administer.) are permitted to monitor activity on local computing systems. In

general, the staff may routinely search a university-owned file system for potential violations. When there is clear evidence of a serious violation, they may view users' files, monitor keystrokes and otherwise observe users' activities. In especially serious cases Information Systems staff may read users' e-mail, but only after obtaining permission from the provost."

But not everyone agrees that the policy needs changes. Rick Matthews, a professor of physics and a former member of CIT who served during the writing of the policy, called it a "wonderful statement."

"I don't think it particularly needs to be clarified," he said. Matthews said the policy reflects role of the university,

which he said is hard to define in terms of information technology. Matthews said while it provides computing resources, the university is not necessarily an Internet Service Provider. He also said that while the university owns all of the machines that it isn't exactly like a company that offers them as resources to their employees but reserves the right to monitor them

completely.

"The university's role is not so easily pigeon-holed," he said. "We can't be one or the other." Matthews said he thinks the university goes out of its way to protect privacy. Swofford agreed, adding the university has the legal right to monitor e-mail but it "has chosen to build very strong and high barriers around that right."

Coffee: Plans readied

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student traffic," Ramsey said. "It's right in the corner of the Quad. People coming back from the library or Shorty's will stop by there."

Ramsey also said it was important that students and student opinion occupy the driver's seat for the rest of the project.

"We've had lots of ideas in Student Government, but we want this to be a student project, not a Student Government project," Ramsey said.

Pavela said, from the looks of the first meeting, SG succeeded in passing the reigns to students, but still felt there should be more of a cross-section of input.

"I didn't even know it was run by Student Government," said Pavela.

"I think (the meetings) would be better with more involvement and if more people showed up."

According to Ramsey, coffee would be served by students in the work-study program and could be paid for by Deacon Dollars.

The coffeehouse would likely be open in the evenings from 6 p.m. - 2 a.m. on weekdays and 8 p.m. - 4 a.m. on weekends.

SBAC: Money allotted

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Four Ounces, a student literary magazine, received funding last year, but did not apply for any funding this year.

Junior Jessamine Buck, representative for *Three to Four Ounces*, said that the club has a hearing scheduled during which they hope to be granted money.

The overall budget this year is less than last year because of the organizations who did not apply for money.

There are eight new organizations that requested funds. They include Ducks Unlimited, Home-run, Operation Smile, Order of Omega, Sign Language Club, the Ballroom Dancing club, the running club and the women's ultimate Frisbee club.

The new Ballroom Dancing Club is one of the many organizations making appeals to the SBAC.

According to freshman Danielle VanSice, the club was granted \$1,000 and needs \$6,000.

She cited the need for a sound system, an instructor and transportation to and from competitions.

Currently the club meets once a week during which they learn and practice dances under the supervision of a paid instructor.

"We are at the beginner level now, but if we want to move to the intermediate level then we will need to pay more for the instructor to come at least twice a week," she said.

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