Academic Computing Advisory Committee

March 27, 2017– 3:30pm
Interactive Media Center – Francis L. Wolfson Building (see map)
Coral Gables Campus

<u>Tour</u>

Tour of the Interactive Media Center (Melissa Jane Barnes)	3:30pm
Adjourn to the IMC Meeting Room	4:30pm

<u>Agenda</u>

1.	Minutes from February Meeting (to be distributed)	4:30pm
2.	Announcements/Updates	4:35pm
3.	Tour debrief and general discussion of classroom upgrade issues	4:40pm
4.	Laptop lending discussion context	4:55pm
5.	Adjourn	5:00pm

<u>Upcoming Agenda Items:</u>

- Streaming for the University (address in spring 2017 tba)
- Taking attendance electronically (ongoing, A. Gyorke, lead)
- Task Force on Online Education, part 2 (guest: Bill Green, spring 2017 tba)
- Learning Platform: Microsoft 365 – awareness of features (A. Gyorke, lead)
- Eracent annual communication (A. Gyorke, lead)

University of Miami
Academic Computing Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
School of Communication – Interactive Media Center and the War Room
Monday, March 27, 2017
3:30-5:00 p.m.

Attendees: *Orlando Acevedo, Charles Eckman, Serona Elton, Cheryl Gowing, Karen Mathews,*
Marilyn Neff, Mitsu Ogihara, Andres Sawicki, Mei-Ling Shyu, Sigman Splichal, and Tallys Yunes.

Ex-officio: *Allan Gyorke*

Guest: *Dacia Simpson, Director, Classroom Management*

AGENDA
Welcome: *Charles Eckman*
Dean Eckman welcomed the group.

Approval of February Minutes
The minutes from the meeting held on February 27, 2017, were approved without modification.

Announcements/Updates
Allan discussed placing Harkness tables in the Library. A Harkness table is a large multi-pointed circular or oval table used as a teaching and learning method, where student-led discussions, ideas, brainstorming, etc., takes place. Dean Eckman stated that the request for Harkness tables are in the Capital Campaign proposal. If approved, the premise is to transform the Literacy Lab, located on the third floor at Richter Library, into a multipurpose, high-tech, space mimicking the Harkness concept. Discussion ensured.

School of Communication – Interactive Media Center Tour Debrief
The group toured the School of Communication's Interactive Media Center (IMC). A state-of-the-art space for innovation and creativity. Providing students collaborative spaces and access to a fully-equipped multimedia agency where they can gain hands-on-experience in a professional setting by providing creative services to clients, such as a student-run ad agency with paying customers. The group toured:

- The Multipurpose Room
- Interactive DIRTT Media Walls
- BuzziHubs (semi-private meetings)
- The Broadcast Center
- The War Room (for conferences and brainstorming sessions)

Access to the space is required with a 'Cane Card and organized by projects. Besides students, the space is used by faculty and for tutoring. The architecture for IMC, Gigi Alvarez Designs, is the same firm that is designing the Learning Commons. Discussion ensued.

Professor Yunes suggested a tour of the new simulation hospital at the School of Nursing and Health Studies when it opens in September 2017.

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It was also noted that the group should tour the Max Orovitz Laboratory Complex in the Department of Kinesiology and Sport Sciences. The lab includes the Laboratory of Athletic Training, the Laboratory of Sports Medicine and Motion Analysis, and the Laboratory of Neuromuscular Research and Active Aging.

General Discussion of Classroom Upgrade Issues

Classroom Management submitted a proposal to refresh/upgrade all classrooms, as well as departmental classroom spaces, in their inventory. The presentation took place three weeks ago, and included a summary of faculty feedback, and a two-year spring survey. Classroom Management also oversees classroom inventory in UM Housing. The proposal is under review. It was also noted that equipment in the General-purpose classrooms were last updated 8-9 years ago, which means the technology is breaking down quickly. The upkeep in these classrooms must be done at once – not individually. Thus, replacing a projector screen without replacing the projector is futile, and results in poor quality equipment. In addition, the President's Office has identified classroom space as an issue that needs attention.

The next tour is the College of Engineering active learning classroom (date is yet to be determined).

Laptop Lending Discussion Context

Dean Eckman noted that at a recent Academic Deans Policy Council meeting, the issue of School-based requirements for student laptops was discussed. The Committee (and invited guests) will explore the issue of student access to laptops and planning for a Laptop Lending Program at a future meeting.

Meeting Adjournment

With no further discussions, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Spring/Fall Possible Agenda Items

- Tour College of Engineering Active Learning Classroom
- Task force report on Online Education (part 2)
- Laureate Education (part 1)
- DCIE representation at ACAC meetings
- Updates on new events/conference management software
- Streaming for the University (address in spring 2017 tba)
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Minutes respectfully submitted by Elizabeth del Campo