

# Faculty Committee on Educational Technology

## Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2003

Maybank Room, Maybank Hall

Meeting called to order at 9 am.

**Present:** Brenton LeMesurier, chair; Alis Whitt, secretary; Victor Puleo; Jeff Wragg; Bob Nusbaum; W. Frank Kinard; David Cohen, ex officio.

1. January meeting minutes will be distributed via email.
2. **Privacy and College computers**

In the Faculty Senate meeting on Feb. 11, 2003, faculty were generally in favor of requiring a warrant or subpoena prior to conducting any form of search.

Members of the FETC discussed privacy documents from other institutions. The University of Kansas policy, CofC's existing policy statements, and other related documents are available at <http://math.cofc.edu/lemesurier/etc/PrivacyPolicy/>.

The committee recognized a need to distinguish between criminal issues (over which we may have little or no authority) and college issues (which are still bound by SC laws and other existing state procedural manuals and policies).

FETC agreed to draft a policy document that requires a subpoena or warrant prior to a search. The document will also outline an internal procedural process wherein the College's legal counsel is notified when possible.

FETC proposes a separate policy relating to searches on the basis of "violating College rules and regulations," which seems murkier and maybe beyond our competence.

FETC discussed drafting a general statement on rights and expectations of privacy. (Again this could easily go beyond the committee's competence.)

3. The committee agreed to have an additional meeting this month in order to keep moving on the Information Technology competency standards issue. The chair will arrange a meeting time.
4. Meeting adjourned at 10 am.