Department of Computer Science

Minutes of Staff/Student Meeting

Monday 6 May 2013

Present:

Staff: Paul Denny(Chair), Ann Cameron, Adriana Ferraro, Robert Sheehan, Angela Chang, Clark Thomborson, Sithra Sukumaar and Adam Arvay (PhD)

Student: Jonathan Koo (101), Justin Susans (105), Amy Wang (210), Chris Petty (210), Christy Lam (215, 230), Tian Du(225), Jeong Su Jeon (225), Nick Stones-Haves (350), Timothy Diack (373/751), Pratik Gupta (705), Arther Lewis (734)

Apologies:

Staff: Robert Amor, Sean Davidson

Student: Chris Pearce (105), Fleix Mann (702), Eric Song (767, 775), Priyal Bangia (373)

If you attended the meeting and your name does not appear above, you did not fill out the attendance sheet as requested.

1) Welcome

Paul welcomed the class representatives to the final meeting of the semester. A delicious lunch was served.

2) HoD report

Alexei Drummond's student Cameron McLean won the Best Poster prize at the NZCSRSC 2013 conference

Ulrich Speidel's student Etuate Cocker has been accepted for an ICANN fellowship to present at the 47th ICANN conference

3) Technical report

There was no technical report presented at this meeting.

4) Faculty Staff/Student meetings

Thank you to Arthur Lewis for stepping up to be our graduate rep on the Faculty Staff/Student Consultative Committee. Arthur was unable to attend the first meeting, but will be attending the second meeting scheduled for May 14th.

UG reps: Tim Diack* and Elizabeth Walker

PG reps: Arthur Lewis

Tim Diack, one of our undergraduate representatives on the Faculty Staff/Student Consultative Committee, presented a brief report of the matters discussed at the first meeting of the semester. Some of the points covered were:

- there is currently some confusion around whether a Faculty-wide policy exists regarding lecture recording at the undergraduate level. This is to be investigated.
- in some places, wifi is heavily used and can perform poorly. ITS are initially focussed on increasing wifi coverage as widely as possible, and will then move on to look improving performance within high-use areas
- a Cecil mobile app is in development
- a small-scale trial is underway looking at using SharePoint as a replacement for the current version of Cecil.

5) Follow up from last meeting

b) one Stage 3 class recently had an assignment that some students felt was not clearly defined and as a result there was some confusion regarding exactly how the submitted programs should function. The class rep followed this up with the lecturer and the marking schedule has been adjusted accordingly so that students will not be penalised.

6) General business

There were no points of general business covered at this meeting.

The meeting finished at 1.35 pm

See you all in Semester 2 (12th August)