

RITC Minutes, June 2007

- 1) **KanREN backbone planning retreat.** Chair Jerry Smith will schedule a RITC retreat including representatives from KanREN and KanEd (Doug Heacock, Cort Buffington, Brad Williams) to discuss policies and practice associated with the new KanREN backbone. Issues to be addressed include finding ways to fund the ESU connection (\$82,000 / year); longer-term cost allocation issues and principles; handling demand for on-demand dedicated circuits; policies concerning utilization of the 2 Gig backbone (leave it completely open?, use the existing circuit framework, or?), and other similar issues. The new high-speed backbone is a cooperative initiative of the Regents Universities, KanREN, and KanEd designed to improve performance, eliminate duplication, and reduce costs associated with state-wide educational networking.
- 2) **Security Self-Assessment.** The Regents Security Committee, comprised of the Information Security specialists at each Regent's campus, will check on the KBOR web site to see what information was posted on the security self-assessment and compare it with the document **Procedure for Regents Institutions' Annual Security Self-Assessment**. We will continue to use the current model of conducting the assessments including reporting of outcomes to the KBOR.
- 3) **Systems Technology Group.** Denise Moore will talk with Purchasing about how they wish to receive feedback on STG. STG has saved some universities money, but there were concerns expressed from WSU, PSU, and FHSU about service.
- 4) **Project Management Methodology Refresh Recommendations.** Bill Fournet of the Persimmon Group presented the outcomes from the first phases of the PMM Refresh process (survey, focus groups). He distributed copies of an Executive Summary as well as PowerPoint slides summarizing the outcomes. Bill Fournet asserted the view that the primary purpose of a PMM is to manage risk and indicated that the development of a Project Rating Matrix is the single highest priority. CIOs and Project Managers from several Regents Universities were active participants in the Focus Groups.