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Winter, 1985 Meeting   
February 7 & 8, 1985

Instructional Support Group   
Division of Information Systems   
Long Beach, CA

Attendance: John Korey, Pomona; Dick Palmer, Dominguez Hill; Penny Crane, ISR; Don Dixon, Sonoma; Chuck Wilmot, Chancellor’s Office; Dan Graves, Hayward; Gene Turner. Northridge; Carole Barnes, Sacramento; Rich Deleon, San Francisco; Jon Ebeling, Chico; Hal Hubbard, Long Beach; Charlene Leonard, San Jose; Dick Shaffer, San Luis Obispo; Ed Nelson, Fresno; Ted Anagnoson, Los Angeles; Larry Giventer, Stanislaus; Larry Koehler, ISO; Jeff Johnson, ISO; Elliott Barkan, San Bernardino; Jonah Mills, ISG; Gary Jones, ISG; Gloria Rummels, ISG; Paul Strand, San Diego; Diane Donaldson, DIS; Alicia Wilmot, ISG; Bruce Hasten, Humboldt; Jim Ross, Bakersfield-

1 Ed Nelson reported on the ICPSR Summer 1985 Workshop. Stipendsupto $700 are available to CSU faculty members. Applications should be forwarded to Ed by April 15.

2.Carole Barnes reported on plans for the May 1985 SSRIC Research Conference, Titles; outlines and abstracts of proposed papers should be forwarded to Carole by March 15. The papers are due April 15.

M/S/P The award for the best research paper by an undergraduate student be named the "Betty Nesvold Award" and the award for the best research paper by a graduate student be named the "Charles McCall Award" in recognition of the outstanding work these people have done over the years o of the SSRIC on behalf of the SSRIC.

3. Elliott Barkan reported about the Field Institute. There are two applicants for the Field Institute Student Internship, and two applicants for the Field Institute Faculty Fellowship, Four proposals have been received for question credits on the Field Poll. Question credits associated with the Field Institute Faculty Fellowship are entirely separate from the CSU-SSRIC question credits

Later in the day it was announced that Prof. C. Richard Hoftetter from San Diego State University was selected as the Field Institute. Faculty Fellow. His research topic is "Arms control in the 1980s.

1. Chuck Wilmot reported that funds for both ICPSR and Field Institute membership are included in the 1985-86 budget.
2. Penny Crane reported that two new committees have been formed to address computer resources: Academic Computer Planning Committee and Administrative Computer Planning Committee. Lists of the members of these committees as well as the “designee for computing” appointed by the President at each campus in the CSU will be sent to the SSRIC representativesAs of July 1, 1985, the CSU is out from under section 4 of the budget act with respect to acquisition of computer resources This means that each campus has sole discretion for computer-related purchases under $100,000. Feasibility studies to satisfy the Office of Procurement are no longer mandatory. Purchases over $100,000 still must go to the Office of ProcurementThere are plans afoot to hire a consultant to study the future of the State University Data Center.  
    The 1985-86 budget includes $2.3 million for structural access, especially the acquisition of 32-bit machines to replace the PDPs on each campus. These machines will support SAS. The PDP’s are owned by the CSU and may remain if your campus can find maintenance money.  
    SPSS-X, CYBER version is further delayed. It will not have SPSSONL. The SSRIC strongly recommended that SPSSONL now be prepared for SPSS\_X.  
    The next upgrade of NOS to version 2.3 or 2.4 is due about June 1.  
    The 1985-86 budget includes $100,000 for faculty computer literacy training. The intention is to use this money to fund four discipline related workshops. The SSRIC was encouraged to submit a proposal for two one-week workshops. Letters to the Presidents soliciting proposals contingent on funding are being prepared now. The money should be available in July 1985. Food and lodging, instructional materials, and instructor salaries will be covered  
    The 1985-86 budget also includes $6 million for equipment replacement –– so get those plans, justifications, and requisitions submitted.
3. At Penny Crane’s request, Don Dixon, Ed Nelson, Jon Ebeling, and Larry Giventer were designated an SSRIC subcommittee to identify computing resource needs.
4. Dick Schaffer reported on the status of SSRIC’s summer workshop proposal. The proposal is being presented by the CSU foundation to several philanthropic foundations and potentially interested corporations -- so far, no takers.The SSRIC suggested that the proposal be presented to leading computer software companies as well as hardware manufacturers. Dr. Nancy Mattice of the CSU Foundation briefed the SSRIC about the foundation’s efforts to secure funding. She may be contacted at 213/590-5735 or ATSS 635-5735.
5. Bruce hasten reported on the status of salmon and steelhead fishing near Humboldt State and provided some suitably smoked specimens that were heartily enjoyed by all with bagels and cream cheese.
6. Penny Crane reported that the whole system will be on an “X.25 packet switching network” by Fall. This will allow local CYBERs to communicate with one another. Users may log on to other campus computers (if they have a password).
7. SSRIC representatives were asked to acknowledge receipt of hardcopy codebooks after each delivery. For now no codebooks are being distributed in microfiche form. SSRIC representatives urged DIS explore ways to resume the microfiche distribution.
8. M/S/P SSRIC endorses “group membership” in the Roper Public Opinion Poll organization.
9. SSRIC meeting schedule for 1985-86.

FALL October 10-11, 1985 CSU Stanislaus

WINTER February 13-14, 1986 CSU Dominguez Hills

SPRING May 1-2, 1986 San Diego St. U.

13. Larry Giventer of California State College, Stanislaus, was elected to chair the SSRIC for 1985-86.

14. The Instructional Support Group for DIS was thanked for hosting this meeting of the SSRIC. The efforts of Alicia Wilmot in arranging for the lunch and coordinating the overnight and transportation arrangements were much appreciated.

15. On Friday, Mr. Steven Drane of SPSS, Inc. presented a demonstration of SPSS/PC using MS-DOS IBM compatible microcomputer. The minimum hardware configuration is a hard disk and 320K RAM (384K is preferable). The price schedule for SPSS/PC is one copy $795, 2-5 copies $635/ea. each, 6-9 copies, $555/ea., 10+ copies $475/ea. M/S/P ISG/DIS should attempt to put together on behalf of CSU institutions and faculty a group purchase of 20 copies of SPSS/PC.

Respectfully submitted   
Larry Giventer