

## **Educause Licensing Group Meeting, October 9, 2006**

### **Agenda**

- Intros
- Agenda review
- Discuss
- Stat/Math
- Apps ( Adobe/Macromedia)
- Course Mgt
- Microsoft
- Linux, open source
- AV, firewall, antispam, spyware, digital certificates
- Best Practices
  - asset mgt
  - policies
  - edownloads (tax, convenience, issue)

(I estimate we had approximately 59 people present for the discussion.)

### **Stat/Math**

Matlab- hard to keep track of. So many toolboxes each with different licensing.

Asked if others use it

Yes it is a challenge to track.

Takes an inordinate amount of time. -- The rational is you shouldn't have to buy a toolbox you don't need

Stanford takes 1/4 FTE to keep track of it. In negotiation again for campus agreement and haven't seen a proposal they can afford.

Floating licenses work for class but not for faculty with laptops.

One school said what works for them is a combination of concurrent licenses

UMich- uses concurrent licenses and it works for them. Also use Macrovision product that can report on usage.

### **SPSS**

Georgia System team last year was asked to meet with VP and report back. Met with Arlene Garcia VP and Richard Rodts director of education.

Took issues from GA and system also issues from constituent group. Did not feel confident from the meeting that the issues were well received and would be acted on.

### **SAS**

SAS has a new program that requires much more record keeping.

SAS rep said that have 3rd parties involved and that is driving the reporting requirements. They have heard from academic intuitions and what a problem this is. They have indicated that agreement with 3rd parties will be renegotiated. We can no longer really tell the difference among Academic, Administration and Research. Very difficult to tell apart, SAS rep said would take back feedback.

### **Applications Adobe/Macromedia etc.**

Meeting Maker-forced upgrade to 8.6

due to daylight saving time. Also moving from Intellesync to Notify for synching calendar which will now have a per seat cost.  
Only a small number present are using it. Two of the groups are moving from it.

#### Adobe concurrency change

With Acrobat 8 concurrency goes away.  
Now have site license based on FTE count.  
Keeping concurrency in Creative Suite products.  
they say they have seen a decline in concurrent use.  
Also they are seeing fewer people using it only for PDF creation.  
Poll of group indicated small number ~ 10% using Acrobat concurrently

Current Adobe License manager can't track concurrency now. It is in the specs for the next version. Adobe said in other products (create products) can opt in and use another license manager until their license manager gets it.

#### Course Management

Blackboard -- discussion at CIO meeting.  
Patent -- complaints of being overly broad.  
Some feel Blackboard broke trust.  
Blackboard has session tomorrow at 2:15 to cover patent issue  
Blackboard has made the statement that they don't intend to sue open source developers. They are going after for-profit groups. They are suing Desire to Learn.

#### Microsoft

New activation scheme for Vista  
Ram from Microsoft giving presentations  
3 ways to buy the product  
Retail  
Volume license

Activation is analogous to what did in XP. There if had a VLK then did not require activation

Two options now that Activation required

MAK - like VLK but with an upper limit.

Can also forward MAK activation through a server so system not on internet can activate

KMS -- Key Management Service

If not activated, then reduced functionality starts. Have 30 days to activate.

With KMS -- must renew activation every 180 days.

The KMS must be an intranet only system.

KMS does not force reactivation for hardware changes other than boot partition changes.

MAK is different "any significant change" will trigger reactivation.

Activation count is not the same as license count.

With the new versions of Windows and Office you can rekey the product in place without a reinstall.

#### Linux, Open Source, Mac

iTunesU -- Did anyone sign up? Did you sign saying they can use and modify your content? Someone signed an agreement with a clarification to prohibit where they are using private only.

Seeing an increase in Mac usage back to 20%  
Not seeing application vendors providing apps and support quickly.

Poll --- Lots of schools seeing increase. None seeing Mac usage declining.  
Smaller number are solely Windows schools

Would like to see an alliance with Microsoft and Parallels.

AV, Firewall, Antispam, Security, digital certificates

No real questions asked on Antivirus  
AV vendors claiming Microsoft is making it more difficult for them.  
Some are using Clam AV open source on mail gateway.

Spyware

Campus agreement for Sypsweeper  
OK, but conflicts with Sophos  
One is using Trend  
One is using Sophos.  
Some using what comes with AV product.

Best Practices

Tomorrow 10:30 Open ITAM Open Source software asset manager  
ISO 19770 -- a standard for software asset management. The first part is final, but part 2 is still in progress.

Edownloads

21 states don't tax electronic downloads of software.  
What are the network impacts?

Policies

Anyone have policies they give to new hires?  
UT System has a Business Process Memorandum  
One institution references the section of the System policy in their individual policies. That way when the System policy changes, they know which of their policies they need to review.  
Train all students coming through orientation. Employee training just started.  
Georgia trained a number of reps to then pass it on to their areas.

Open Discussion

Virtualization of applications?  
Softtricity, mojo, etc.?  
Consider licensing implications? License per physical system, per virtual system? What other implications are there? Can we identify the impact on the network as easily?

## EndNotes

Anyone struck a favorable deal? (laughter)  
UC Davis \$105,000 for 3 years  
There is a competitor -- RefWorks  
EndNotes considering coming out with less expensive version to try to get some penetration.

## General wish

Would like vendors to record an additional contact. Right now track admin contact, financial contact, would like another one. Ability to use a generic email address.

SAS -- download only - working on it. Target is mid 2007

## Microsoft changes

Would like to be notified of any changes in the campus agreement from year to year.  
MS says hasn't made any changes yet.  
Changes to licensing effective Nov 1  
Office Enterprise is the default  
Windows Enterprise  
OneNote, Groove now included  
Enterprise CAL is available as an option--Core CAL will still be standard in Campus Agreement.

Stay tuned for academic pricing for Softgrid

Larry from the Air Force with his usual Question: How does he stay in compliance with the licensing where it is difficult to force leaving students to erase software if they don't graduate?  
Answer hasn't changed: Obligation is to notify students of their obligation to delete.

## SAS

Any chance for concurrent use licensing on desktop? Maybe. R & D is looking at it.