Minutes of Meetings:
February 11, 2003, 1:30 pm. ITS conference room

Present: Bauman, Davis, Keller, Klein, Lesh, Smith

Review of last meeting's minutes.

The committee was happy to hear that Tom M. has returned home from the hospital after his surgery. We wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to his return.

1. Report from Austin. Doug gave a brief report on his trip to Austin, TX as part of the Tech Valley Chamber of Commerce visit to the area. The trip included tours of **International Sematech** and **Tokyo Electron, Ltd.**, as well as talks with business and academic leaders in that area. Sematech will be undertaking research in EUV (extreme ultra violet) lithography for a generation of chips expected to become commercial in 4-5 years.

**Work International Sematech will be doing in Albany:**

- 5-year strategic alliance to develop infrastructure for EUV lithography.
- EUV Mask Blank Development Center will accelerate the development of commercial EUV masks.
- EUV Resist Test Center will support the development of commercial EUV photoresists to meet production requirements.
- State-of-the-art equipment and capability to develop and test tools, materials and processes.
With luck, other companies -- fabrication companies, research and development companies, will locate or re-locate in this area to take advantage of a critical mass of skilled workers and researchers.

2. Cyber security. Tom M. had recommended at an earlier meeting *Dark Ages II: When the Digital Data Die*, by Bryan Bergeron. The book is filled with cautionary tales about the fragility and transitory nature of digital data. It offers some suggestions for preserving this data which will be useful for the College's web archiving project, as well as for the general health and welfare of the College. The books suggests the wide range of things, from war to acts of God to simple neglect, that can render digital data useless far more quickly and extensively than older forms of physical data.

3. Calendar systems. We briefly reviewed the status of the R-25 schedule and calendar system, and the new student online calendar. Doug will meet with Andrew McCabe, Student Forum President, to hear from him what the primary student needs are in order to make sure they are represented in the development of the R-25 system. As a reminder, Middlebury uses this calendar system. [Click here to examine their implementation.](http://minerva.union.edu/accsc/Archives/Minutes-2003-02...)

4. Internet 2. Charlotte Borst circulated an article from the Chronicle of Higher Education on an NSF program encouraging smaller schools to join Internet2. We discussed this, and none of us has yet heard compelling arguments for us to spend the money, even in combination with other small schools. One idea we might explore is joining with RPI and or SUNYA, each of which we believe are already I-2 members, to join in a collaboration for some fractional access. [Click here to visit the Internet-2 home page.](http://minerva.union.edu/accsc/Archives/Minutes-2003-02...)

5. Department maintained websites. Tom S. demonstrated a new proposed way of linking from the official College departmental overview pages to department-maintained web sites. The web office would update the thumbnail image at least
once a year, or when a department or program requested an update. A department whose web site was not sufficiently current might not have this link available.

Next meeting: Feb. 18, 2003, 1:30 PM, ITS conference room

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