

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTING ~ MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY
Minutes of the 300-Level Liaison Committee Meeting
19 April 2010 1pm

Present:

Student Representatives	Units	Student ID
Shane Grimson-Smith	COMP340, 342, 343	

Staff Representatives	Units
Annabelle McIver	Chair
Christophe Doche	Director of Teaching
Len Hamey	COMP342
Josef Pieprzyk	COMP343
Bernard Mans	Head of Department
Diego Molla	COMP348
Mark Dras	COMP348
Matt Cabanag	Science IT
Lee Coady	Science IT
Melina Chan	Executive Officer
Jackie Walsh	Minutes

Apologies:

Frank Moisiadis, Bill Dalgliesh, Michael Johnson, David Black

Meeting started 1:05pm

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Action points from meeting on 15/3/10:

COMP340: Unit Convenor – Frank Moisiadis

- Students suggested that Frank should put on Moodle when the lecture is a week beforehand. AM passed suggestion on to Frank. Student advised that Frank emailed the class the lecture times.

COMP342: Unit Convenor – Michael Johnson

- Students have to use a USB key in the labs because too big to copy to the home drive. AM followed up with Michael Johnson who advised that it was too late for students this year but will keep in mind for next year.

General:

- Students that there was no anti-virus installed on the lab machines. Matt Cabanag from Science IT advised that this was now installed.

UNIT MATTERS

COMP330: Unit Convenor – Manolya Kavakli

No Unit Convenor or Student Representative present at the meeting.

ISYS302: Unit Convenor – Manning Li

No Unit Convenor or Student Representative present at the meeting.

ISYS326: Unit Convenor – Mehmet Orgun

No Unit Convenor or Student Representative present at the meeting.

COMP340: Unit Convenor – Frank Moisiadis (Frank away as teaching in city)

- Lectures going well.
- Student advised that can't speak for everyone but their group was going well.
- Student advised that timetable needs to be checked as they were locked out of E7BT2 at 6-8 pm on Fridays. Last time this happened they went downstairs and found an empty room.

Action Points:

- *MC to inform OFM.*
- Student liked upgrades done over the holidays, such as new Windows and Office versions.
- AM advised that students should let us know about any broken things, because that is the only way we know about it.

COMP342: Unit Convenor – Michael Johnson (away)

- Michael Johnson away, however Len Hamey attended. LH advised he starts tomorrow.
- Student advised that unit going along ok – lectures, pracs etc. Said that assignment was not very nice.

COMP343: Unit Convenor – Josef Pieprzyk

- .Lecture clash with ELEC342 on Wednesday.
- JP commented that iLecture is available for COMP343 so that is a slight consolation.
- Student questioned if they had tutorial solutions.

Action Points:

- *JP to check regarding tutorial solutions.*

COMP348: Unit Convenor – Diego Molla

Assignments:

(Comment from David Black relayed by AM)

- There were problems with 2nd assignment for COMP348 with some of the software testing.
- Not enough testing done at 100/200 level.
- DM believes that there may not be enough teaching of testing at MU.
- AM agrees and suggested we may need to try this in COMP125.
- Assignment 2 specifications were not clear enough.
- Gap between what students thought the assignment was about and what the lecturer thought about it.
- DM advised there was correction in assignment specifications because there was some misunderstanding. The deadline is Thursday.

ISYS360: Unit Convenor – Bill Dalglish (not at meeting)

- No student rep attended the meeting.

AM thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

The meeting closed at 1:20pm.