Campus Software Licensing Roundtable: April 14, 2015

Attendees: Joe Allred, Tom Battaglia, Kit Edington, Peet McKinney, Kathy Garramone, Su Gregerson, Becky Maier, Jay Michalik, Jonathan Neff, Jesse Neidigh, Jeramy Parker, James Poelstra, Wes Samson, Eric Tangedahl

SPSS: new version now available
- In March 2015, IBM released SPSS version 23. This version is available for download on the SPSS server at: //spss.umt.edu. We plan to remove version 21 from the server in early fall – to keep with our original plan of retaining the two most current versions. Please let Kathy know this summer if you have reasons why we should retain version 21 on the server.

Campus AV licensing
- Our Symantec campus agreement is up for renewal on June 29, 2015. We are currently transitioning from Symantec to LANDesk AV. Many units have migrated already to LANDesk, but some will work on this during the summer. For units who are experiencing issues with the installation process, please contact Joe Allred for assistance (243-6848; joe.allred@umontana.edu). Kathy will check in to contract options with Symantec (3, 6, 9 months as opposed to one year). Kathy will also follow-up with campus unit IT administrators on LANDesk implementation progress over the next few weeks.
- Jess suggested we begin a LANDesk users group for IT administrators to communicate issues, resolutions, and other information about this implementation. A new topic has been added to the Tech Partners forum. Please feel free to participate. Here is the link:

Open discussion
- **Purpose of these roundtables:** Tom Battaglia stated that the purpose of these meetings is to provide a service, and not to have control or power regarding campus software licensing. If we are more aware of campus departmental software purchases, perhaps we can negotiate better pricing by coming together in the purchasing process.
- **Adobe:** Tom and Kathy plan to work with Michael Reid, VP of Admin & Finance, this summer to try and revisit the discussion of a campus-wide agreement. Most likely an agreement will not be reached by Fall 2015.
- **Future agenda items:** Kathy encouraged the group to contact her with agenda items for future meetings. Two items were mentioned and will be added to next month’s meeting agenda: Citrix licensing and Math software such as Mathematica and Mathcad.

Apple Volume Purchasing Program
- During our last meeting, several individuals asked about arranging for an Apple representative to provide an overview of the Apple VPP. The Apple VPP allows educational institutions to purchase apps and books in volume and distribute them to students, teachers, administrators, and other employees. The program also allows app developers to offer special pricing for purchases of 20 apps or more.
• IT has taken the lead on program enrollment. Tom Battaglia is the program agent for the entire campus and has the ability to create administrators.
• DJ Erdman, Apple systems engineer, spent the remainder of the meeting providing an overview and demonstration on how this program works.
• A question was raised about whether or not the VPP can be added into Griz Mart. Apple Store (Device Enrollment Program) is available in Griz Mart, but the VPP is a separate program and cannot be incorporated into Griz Mart.

Here are key point of the overview:

• With the VPP program administrators can purchase applications from both the iOS and Mac App Store, and distribute licenses of those applications to end users
• Assign applications to users, revoke them and reassign them to other users (iOS and Mac)
• Purchase specific amounts of VPP credit with a purchase order, and have that credit delivered electronically.

Following are several VPP and other Apple resources:

• Program overview and link to Program Guide : http://www.apple.com/education/it/vpp/
• On-Demand seminar with details on how to purchase applications: http://edseminarsonline.apple.com/learn-how/#apple-deployment-programs-volume-purchase-program-for-education
• Support:  http://apple.com/support/itunes/vpp-edu/
  o Apps from Apple
    ▪ iOS: https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT202953
    ▪ Mac OS X: https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT203022
• Apple Deployment Programs Online Reference: Apple Deployment Programs Help
• iOS Deployment Overview has the latest iOS 8 updates: iOS Deployment Reference

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