Helena College IT Staff Request for funding March 24th, 2017

Dear Student Senate:

The IT Staff is asking the Students to allocate \$230,000 dollars from the Computer fees fund to buy replacement Switches, Access points, a Blade server, and fiber upgrades to finish the network upgrade to a 10 Gigabit core and 1 Gigabit to the desktop at both the Donaldson and Airport Campuses. This will also upgrade the Wireless system to latest technology. The core routing equipment was just upgraded for this.

This is NOT a new fee request; these are funds that have already been assessed.

Helena College offers many classes that utilize newer programs that require computers for delivery of class related material. Upgrading the core network will benefit the student body and help raise the technology level of our classes to today's standards.

The IT Staff will be happy to answer any questions you may have about the computer lab purchases and the allocation of these funds.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

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Dear Student Senate:

The IT Staff is asking the Students to allocate \$90,000 dollars from the Computer fees fund to buy replacement computers for three labs. We try to maintain a 3-year rotation on lab computers.

This is NOT a new fee request; these are funds that have already been assessed.

Helena College offers many classes that utilize newer programs that require computers for delivery of class related material. Replacing these aging computers will benefit the student body and help raise the technology level of our classes to today's standards.

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