The Senate Committee on Information Technology met today on the Minneapolis campus.

1. During this meeting, Dr. Billie Wahlstrom provided an overview of the Uportal system. She described the system field testing in regards to HIPAA training, where 98% of the campus was compliant.

In January, they will announce the system to new freshman and invite their patronage. The system will be tuned to provide accurate information in regards to admissions, registration, and billing.

In the future, their aim is to use the system for establishing on-line communities for maintaining the highest quality of teaching through information and live forums. Presently, there are 16,000+ registered users and invited all to visit the system.

2. The University's Compliance with the Gramm, Leach, Bliley Act was briefly discussed. This act requires compliance of the financial systems from Universities. It was reported that our systems are in good shape.

3. A survey will be sent out to faculty to determine the amount of technology that is used, and its effects. In response, the committee discussed the pros and cons of using technology.