# Wall Plate Project & Telecom Rate Changes

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#### Networking and Telecom Changes

- Wall Plate Project
  - Provost funded wall plate service for all campus academic and administrative units
    - Excludes HSC, DSO, off campus
- Telecom Rate Changes
  - Monthly maintenance charges
  - Key system overhead allocations
  - Off-setting fee reductions



#### Wall Plate Project

- ~30,000 ports on the main campus
  - 12,000 previously self paid for CNS managed wall plate
  - 18,000 more to be added -- that is upgraded/replaced
- Plan to replace 6,000 ports/year -- 3-year project
- Survey of all buildings is complete
  - most of the in-building wiring is OK
  - a few buildings with major wiring problems
- Building order selected for installation efficiency
  - some easy, some hard keep crew efforts balanced
  - fix big wiring problems as separate parallel projects



#### Funding Facts

- Provost funding for steady state operations
  - Transition scheduled to fit annual operating budget
  - \$1,000,000/yr -- 5-year eqp replacement lifecycle
  - Units willing to subsidize efforts can help speed up installation
- Centrally funded wall plate makes VoIP phones the low cost alternative (~\$12/month)
- Policy/strategy: VoIP is required for all new buildings and for major system upgrades
- Problem: need to buy new VoIP telephones
  - Phone prices: currently ~\$160 to \$400 per handset
  - Solution: CNS will subsidize up to 50%
    - Discount only available during the Wall-Plate project



### Telecom Rate Changes (Audit Dictated)

- Separate accounting for different services
  - Charge Actual Costs for maintenance
  - Distribute Overhead Costs uniformly across different systems (Centrex, Key Sys, VOIP)
- Previously:
  - Maintenance is charged at a fixed monthly rate per telephone <u>handset</u>
  - Infrastructure is charged at a fixed monthly fee per telephone <u>line</u>



#### New Charging

- Charge maintenance by time & materials
- Charge overhead by user (<u>handset</u>)
  - Previously by "external lines"
  - Key-systems did not pay fair share
  - As we move to VoIP there will be no individual lines (all centrally pooled)
    - You can still have individual phone numbers
- Eliminate the infrastructure fee



## Monthly Charge Examples (changes are revenue neutral)

Dept & System	FY06/07	FY 07/08	Maintenance*	# Phones
Key System & Centrex	\$643	\$529	\$40	9 Key, 15 Centrex
Key System & Centrex	\$1,083	\$983	\$88	6 Key, 39 Centrex
Key System	\$1,687	\$1,642	\$150	57 Key
Centrex	\$5,575	\$5,032	\$420	8 Key, 242 Centrex
VOIP	\$826	\$766	\$20	52 VOIP, 6 Centrex

•Maintenance assumes 2 hours per ticket – based on previous year's tickets – converted to monthly values

