



Library Technology and Telecommunications Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: August 31, 2022

Next Meeting: October 3, 2022

Location: ZOOM

Attendance: Stephen Castellano, Sherry Deckman, John DeLooper, Dermot Foley, Jennifer McCabe, Joseph Mohorcich, Edi Ruiz, Kenneth Schlesinger, Jennifer Van Allen:

Excused: Donna McGregor

Library

- Leonard Lief Library welcomes college community to visit for research and quiet study
- Fall Library Hours: Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM-9:00 PM, Friday: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM, Saturday and Sunday: 11:00 AM -6:00 PM
- Patrons may chat with a Lehman Librarian Monday-Thursday, 9:00 AM-8:00 PM, Friday, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM, Weekends, 11:00 AM-6:00 PM. We encourage you to visit the Reference Desk for research support.
- You may also schedule an Appointment with a Lehman Librarian. Details on Library Webpage.
- College community may access library databases, eBooks, eJournals from off-campus around the clock. Login with your Blackboard-CUNYfirst credentials.
- Library website contains helpful Video Tutorials
- Group Study Rooms available on Library's First and Third Floors – please reserve at Circulation Desk
- Students participating in Zoom Classes are strongly encouraged to avail themselves of Concourse [Basement] space designated for this purpose
- Overall – we request that you respect the right of other Lehman students to study quietly
- Library Tours are available for students. Library's Rebecca Arzola is coordinating.

Information Technology

- The Classroom Technology Upgrade, which includes HyFlex capabilities, continues. The updated classroom technology is user friendly and intuitive. At the time of our meeting, there were about 100 classrooms updated. As of now, 127 classrooms have been completed--and they are up *and* running. For additional information, please refer to an email dated August 25th sent to the faculty listserve through the ITR.Announce email. [I attached it for your reference]

- The IT Division is pleased to provide a RAPID RESPONSE TEAM for classroom technology assistance.
- The IT Center and Help Desk Hours for Fall 2022 semester are: 8 AM-8 PM Monday-Thursday, Friday 8 AM-4 PM.
- IT Help Desk Remote service is provided on Saturdays from 9am – 5pm.
- The IT Division is working diligently to upgrade the college infrastructure including making our wireless network more robust and replacing classroom facing end of life equipment.
- The Carman Café is open for the students needing a quiet and semi-private place to study. Laptop Computers are available for students to check out and use on-campus and return at the end of the day at the IT Center. Technology is also available to students for longer term usage. Please visit the Lehman Homepage to learn more.
- The college community is reminded to stay vigilant with malicious “phishing” and malware emails directed to students, faculty, and staff. Please never provide personal, confidential or financial information in response to an email.

Online Education

- [Faculty Mentors \(Teaching with Tech\)](#) have been selected and appointed for the Fall 2022 (Aug 25-Dec 21, 2022). Six (6) full time faculty, four (4) part time faculty. Two faculty are appointed for each school and to serve LEH courses.
- Online Learning Student Peer Mentoring Program is serving 1873 Lehman students taking their first online class at Lehman College in Fall 2022. Anthony Wheeler, Asma Nebett, and Alexis Tenenbaum are serving as Online Learning Student Peer Mentors.

Blackboard

- As many may know, The CUNY Board of Trustees has passed a resolution to Authorize a new contract to procure a new Learning Management System – Replacing Blackboard. Our Contract with Bb will expire on December 31, 2022. CUNY will renew for one additional year and the University may need to extend beyond December 2023. The chosen Learning Management System is Desire To Learn. The CUNY Bb Administrators along with CUNY Information Services are in the planning stages of developing a communications plan to disseminate information to the college community. A Change in LMS is a major undertaking and the goal is to ensure that all the bases are covered.
- Among the reasons that D2L was chosen by CUNY is because SUNY has entered an agreement with D2L and NYC Public Schools use D2L and the transition for incoming student will be much easier and smoother.