



Library Technology and Telecommunications Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: January 31st 2024

Next Meeting: February 28th, 2024

Location: ZOOM

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

Student Senator: No Student Senators Present

Excused:

Library

- CUNY Office of Library Services announces new service making SUNY book collection available via Interstate Borrowing. Library patrons can search SUNY titles not available at CUNY via Library's OneSearch catalog.
- Further – CUNY library patrons will enjoy longer loan periods increasing to 16 weeks from 8 weeks – with option to renew material for maximum loan length of 48 weeks. If you have questions about this new service – please contact Stephen Walker in the Library.
- Library offers 20-30-minute Guided Tours of the facility. Registration and additional information on Library Homepage.
- Library now offers DSM 5 Database. Produced by American Psychiatric Association – [DSM 5](#) is considered definitive, industry-standard manual for describing and diagnosing psychiatric disorders. DSM 5 is accessible in Library's A-Z Database. Library's Michelle Ehrenpreis has additional information.
- Library invites college community to Reading and Discussion on Tuesday, February 27th @ 2:00 PM in Library Treehouse. Featuring *El Monte – Notes on Religious, Magic and Folklore of the Black and Creole People of Cuba* by Lydia Cabrera, translated by David Font-Navarrete. Registration on Library Homepage.

Information Technology

** Our new Lehman Homepage launched today with pages for individual schools and academic departments. Notice the enhanced webpages, designed to improve user experience. We hope you are all happy with the new look and feel and are ready to work with us to keep up the momentum as we begin the process of rebranding and migrating the remainder of the website which will continue to follow a phase approach.

** Through Tech Fee, 16 new PC's have been installed in the Science Learning Center (GI-133) and 30 new iMACS are installed in the Computer Programming Lab (GI-231).

** We received the laptops (dells and MacBooks/MacAirs) through the Office of Digital Inclusion grant. We are in the process of making them ready for distribution within the next two weeks.

** IT continues to work on the replacement of end-of-life switches, reaching approximately 78% completion. We already should be experiencing enhanced wireless access and coverage. We are happy to announce we have received strategic funds for the installations of additional wireless access points in the Gillet and Music Buildings. Given the structure of these buildings, we will be engaging a company.

**We also happy to announce we have received additional strategic funds to begin the replacement of older computers.

** We continue to enhance our cybersecurity posture, with the latest initiative being the implementation of MFA for VPN - Virtual Private Network. The new VPN features improved and enhanced security.

** Remember to continue to be vigilant with your email. Please don't click on any links that appear to be suspicious. Know your sender! If it sounds too good to be true, it is!

** Last but not least, special thanks to the various IT teams that work alongside Campus Planning and Facilities and DASNY in the new Nursing Building and the lecture halls here in Carman Hall

Blackboard/Learning Management System

- Faculty now have access to Brightspace to create a course and being to experiment with the new LMS. Instructions to create a course may be found on the CUNY LMS TRANSITION website.
- We have renewed our subscription to VoiceThread for 2024/2025. Voice Thread is an audio/video platform allowing students and instructors to collaborate on classwork. Voice Thread gets a tremendous amount of use here at Lehman – Please keep those VoiceThreads coming in!

Online Education

- Office of Online Ed will be offering their Preparation for Teaching Online Workshop January 8th through 21st. Details are found on the OLE webpage.
- A Generative AI Teaching and Learning Workshop will be offered on February 14th The workshop is titled: Academic Integrity in AI Times. Please contact Online Education for additional information
- Online Education will offer a Preparation for Teaching Online Workshop – The program is online and runs from March 18th-March 30th. Contact Online Education for additional information