

Library, Technology, and Telecommunications Committee

Meeting Date: Wednesday, April 6, 2016

Attendance: Ronald Bergmann, Angelina Brea, Stephen Castellano, Raymond Diaz, Stefanie Halveka, Anna Luerssen, Sean O'Heis, Edi Ruiz, Vincent Sandella, Kenneth Schlesinger, Stephen Walker

Excused: Professor Mine Doyran, Maria Hernandez and Kemar Porter (Student Representatives).

Information Technology Report

Vice President and Chief Information Officer Ron Bergmann reported the Academic Year 2016/17 Tech Fee process is nearing completion. The IT Division will be sending information to Deans within the next week, and after review by CUNY, the information will be posted on the Lehman website. This year's committee had excellent student representation and lively discussion. Thanks to all who participated.

In addition, the IT Division is working with Building and Grounds, Associate Dean Chris Malone and department chairs in Natural and Social Sciences to enhance several classrooms in Carman, as well as Gilete B-24. This transformation, funded by a CUNY grant will enhance classroom technologies in support of more dynamic teaching and learning environments.

Library Report

Chief Librarian Kenneth Schlesinger reported that the library Docutek eReserve server has been temporarily taken offline - but IT and Library are working expeditiously to restore service

The Library hosted the CUNY Libraries' Open Educational Resources Demonstration on April 6th. The demo provided attendees with an understanding of the research resources that are available at libraries throughout CUNY.

The Library also announced the following events open to the college community:

Human Rights Conference Archives, Witnessing, and Testimony: Truth Battles Tuesday, April 19th 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM East Dining Room This event is Co-sponsored by Center for Human Rights-Peace Studies and Leonard Lief Library.

Celebration of Faculty Achievement Annual Faculty Scholarship, Creative Work, and Grants event Thursday, May 5th 3:00 - 5:00 PM Performing Arts Center Lobby

Online Education Report

The Office of Online Education is pleased to report that a new Blackboard Course Template will be introduced for the Summer 2016 semester. The course template is designed to make working in Bb more logical and transparent for both students and instructors. An e-mail and new video instructing the course template is in the process of being produced. Mr. Castellano introduced the template to the Library Telecommunications Committee.

A new addition will be added shortly to Blackboard. The new software title TURNITIN has been recently purchased by CUNY CIS and is in the final stages of being tested before being deployed to the university community. What is TURNIT IN? Originality checking, online feedback and grading ... With *Turnitin*, professors can promote academic integrity in their classroom. On April 11th, Mr. Stephen Castellano attended a TRAIN THE TRAINER session presented by TURNITIN.

Over the past several weeks, the Office of Online Education conducted several workshops covering several topics. The workshops were well attended and Online Education is planning to conduct additional programs this spring and summer.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 4th @ 11:00 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Castellano and Stefanie Havelka, Committee Co-Chairs