



Library Technology and Telecommunications Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: February 23, 2022

Next Meeting: March 30, 2022

Location: ZOOM

Attendance: Stephen Castellano, Sherry Deckman, Michelle Ehrenpreis, Jennifer McCabe, Joseph Mohorcich, Jennifer Van Allen: Student Senator Representatives: Giselle Barroso, Oluwatimilehin Akinkuoliebidapo, Jamie Price

Excused: Ron Bergmann, Edi Ruiz, Donna McGregor, Kenneth Schlesinger

Library

- Library announces **EXPANDED** Hours of Operation effective February 28th, Monday-Thursday, 9:00 AM-8:00 PM; Friday, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM; Weekends, 11:00 AM-5:00 PM. In addition – ALL Four Floors of Library will be reopened. Patrons will still need to reserve via LibCal for Day Pass. Please visit Library Homepage for more details. **Masks are Mandatory for everyone visiting Library.** Library services only available to members of Lehman community and you must swipe in order to access building. Social distancing regulations remain in effect. Please respect Library policies. Services will be denied to patrons not following direction of Library staff.
- Library secured additional funding for eBooks and Streaming Media
- Drop-in Zoom Research support available Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, 2:00 – 5:00 PM. Please schedule Appointment on LibCal.
- Chat, e-mail, telephone support still available
- Library and English Department announce Reading and Discussion of Matt Caprioli's *One Headlight*, Wednesday, March 9th, 12:30-1:30 PM. RSVP on Library Homepage.

Information Technology

- As reported last month, the IT division is in the process of upgrading email security for students, faculty, and staff and this will take place over the remainder of the spring semester. This work includes an upgrade to the Microsoft 365 licenses to provide improved email security, new features in the ProofPoint spam prevention service, and the implementation of multi-factor authentication to reduce stolen passwords. More to follow soon – please look for an email to the community with details.
- The IT division is working with Academic Affairs and Buildings and Grounds to launch the process of building out upgraded technology in classrooms, starting in Carman Hall, our largest classroom building. We will share a schedule with Deans as the work starts, and will continue to partner with Online Education on demos and workshops.
- The Tech Fee process is underway and all proposals should have been submitted to Deana and VPs by now. The committee will begin meetings in March, and recommendations to the President are expected in late April. CUNY then reviews our plan and Tech Fee funds for the next academic year are made available starting in the October timeframe. Thanks to the students, faculty, and staff who will be involved in the committee process.

Blackboard

- We are pleased to announce that Lehman College has entered an agreement with Hypothesis to participate in a PILOT program through the end of the calendar year. Hypothesis is an annotation program that allows students and faculty to annotate websites and documents. Hypothesis fosters student engagement and collaboration. We will be having an introductory meeting with Hypothesis on Tuesday and I will share the details via email with the community.
- The 2022 Bronx Ed Tech Showcase is scheduled for Friday, May 6th. This virtual event is open to the CUNY Community. The Showcase is a collaborative event between the three Bronx CUNY Colleges. Students and Faculty are invited to submit a proposal to present at the showcase. The theme of the 2022 Showcase is: ***Balancing Learning Modalities: Equity, Access and The Future of Higher Ed***