



Library Technology and Telecommunications Senate Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: November 6, 2017

Attendance: Ron Bergmann, Stephen Castellano, Sherry Deckman, Raymond Diaz, Stefanie Havelka, Anna Luerssen, Kenneth Schlesinger, Olena Zhadko

Student Senator Representatives: No Student Senators Present at Meeting of 11/6/2017

Excused: Vincent Sandella, Assistant VP/ITR, Edi Ruiz

Library Report:

Library launched new Leisure Reading Collection, located on first floor opposite Circulation-Reserve Desk to encourage recreational reading, featuring titles covering every genre from literary fiction to science to romance and horror.

Library offered *Open Education Resources Faculty Showcase* on November 8th. OERs are teaching and learning resources that are free to use and repurpose - and can result in saving students thousands of dollars from not having to purchase commercial textbooks. Presenters included CUNY Office of Library Services' Ann Fiddler, and Lehman faculty Stacy Katz, Yuri Gorokhovich, Sharon Jordan, and Anne Rice.

Library hosted event with Social Work on November 14th debuting new journal, *Urban Social Work*, co-edited by Carl Mazza and Brenda Williams-Gray.

Please join us to experience the *Human Library* - based on concept of students behaving like books - and having ability to be *checked out* by other students. Event will be held Thursday, November 16th from Noon - 3:00 PM in Library Gallery on first floor. Information: Rebecca Arzola, x8831

Division of Information Technology:

Student Success Dashboard – Lehman has worked with CUNY Central to pilot a Student Success Dashboard. The dashboard is designed to provide actionable information to support Student Success Teams. A workshop for Lehman pilot users was conducted recently and after testing, the dashboard will eventually be rolled-out CUNY-wide.

Lehman 360 for Faculty – As you know, Lehman 360, which can be found on our website or on mobile app, was made available to students in early October. **Lehman 360 for Faculty** will be fully rolled-out in early December. Some faculty are already using the E-grade verification function. The 360 platform will enhance advising, provide a new way for faculty to message their classes, allow for a review of class wait lists and more. 360 is intended to have relevant information all in one place and will grow over time. Download the Lehman mobile app on the App Store or in the Play Store.

CUNY IT Conference – The Student Success Dashboard, Lehman 360 and several other Lehman initiatives will be presented at the CUNY IT Conference at John Jay College on November 30th and December 1st. All are invited.

The Student Tech Fee call for proposals email is being sent this week. Based on recommendations from last year, the Tech Fee process will be streamlined for Academic Affairs to maximize earlier collaboration, priority-setting and student input.

Blackboard Report

Spring 2018 Courses are now available. Faculty should see their Spring 2018 courses in the MY COURSES section of their Blackboard Home Page.

Along with the new courses for Spring 2018, we have made some new modifications to the Lehman College Bb Course Template. We hope that these new modifications will make working with Blackboard a better experience for both faculty and students.

Blackboard Upgrade will take place on December 28th @ 12:01am-December 29th @ 5pm. During the Upgrade, Bb will be UNAVAILABLE to the community. Please plan accordingly. The Registrar reports that Final Grades for the Fall semester are due on December 27th.

Online Education

The Office of Online Education has launched the 10-week Online Master Course Design Institute, from **October 12th to December 21st, 2017**. The Master Course Design Institute is a strategic initiative, supported by the Office of the Provost, in response to the Lehman College President's "grand challenge" to meet the goals of achieving 90,000 High Quality Degrees and Credentials by year 2030. During their enrollment in the Institute, faculty design and develop *one online course* that is essential for the online course offerings. 20 faculty are participating in the program, representing all Lehman schools.

The Office of Online Education is currently running the second [VoiceThread Bootcamp](#), offered collaboratively to faculty from Lehman College and CUNY SPS. VoiceThread is a web-based tool that allows faculty and students to have conversations using any mix of text, audio or webcam comments. VoiceThread can

be used to record a course introduction, create interactive online lectures, extend classroom conversations, enable students to create digital portfolios. Over 150 Lehman faculty have used VoiceThread to support their student learning. The Workshop ran from November 1-10

The Office of Online Education is presenting at the CUNY IT conference <http://www.centerdigitaled.com/events/CUNY-IT-Conference.html> on December 1st at 9:30 am on the topic "**OER Sustainable Scale Up: Faculty Development as Key Strategy**".

Next Committee Meeting: November 27th @ 11AM-Carman 162

Respectfully submitted,

Stefanie Havelka and Stephen Castellano
Co-Chairs