

AITC

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 20, 2017

Approved: [11/3/17]

CALL TO ORDER:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12 noon

ROLL CALL:

Roll was taken.

Voting Members: Clarke [absent], Coleman, Dahlquist, Gonzalez, Kaplan, Keegan, Markovic [represented by Diego Bonilla], Moore, Norris, Stark [absent]

Non-Voting/Ex-Officio Members: Heather [absent], Miller [represented by Jen Schwedler], Perez, Koropp, Singh, Pokhrel, Hammersley [absent]

GUESTS:

Open Forum

Introductions of members, particularly new members Aditya Singh [ASI] & Binod Pokhrel [ITC from EDU]

Steve Perez answered the question from last meeting about the allocation for faculty computers: "the replacement cost was provided by IRT"

Canvas (Rich)

- 1. Canvas appears to "round up" fractional grades, i.e., 1.5 becomes 2. This throws off grading schemes.
- 2. The current default is for when the students bring up their dashboard, their grades appear. On large monitors in computer labs, this is problematic (their grades are easily visible to other students).
 - 1. This can be "turned off"
 - 2. Instructions on how to turn it off need to be distributed to faculty so they can tell their students
 - 3. Bigger question: what should the default be: on or off? [this needs investigation]

Canvas training (Aaminah)

Next week is "Canvas week" with lots of training available. Apparently, some people received notices, but others were unaware. This needs to be re-advertized



Electronic RTP files (Aaminah)

Aaminah would like the university to move to electronic RTP files. Much discussion.

The questions are: what is allowed by the union contract? Do most people want this? Is it possible? Amber agreed to investigate from the perspective of the Senate/CFA interface to see how all of this could be initiated

Transition to Canvas (Steve)

They are reconstituting the Canvas user committee (selected by Senate) to deal with issues about transition from Blackboard to Canvas, e.g., do we keep upgrading Blackboard even though we know we are going to stop it in the near future? In this particular case, the decision was "no". Users who need the latest features are being directed to switch to Canvas sooner rather than later. (Blackboard ends Fall 2018)

Replacement machines (Binod)

Binod pointed out that the cost of replacement faculty machines does not at present include the fact that with new machines often comes the need for new peripherals, e.g., USB-C adapters etc (because the old peripherals are not compatible). This can easily add a couple of hundred dollars per machine

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: YES

APPROVED MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2017: YES

1. SSWD representative on this committee

We approved the change to the Standing Rules to add a representative from SSWD to this committee, as a Non-Voting/Ex-Officio member. This goes to Senate Exec then to the Senate.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1:20.