

TEACHING AND LEARNING PORTFOLIO MEETING SUMMARY

April 30, 2019, 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Marriott Library Room 5201

IN ATTENDANCE: Paul Burrows, Kirsten Butcher, Barb Iannucci, Matt Irsik, Harish Maringanti, Brandon Patterson, Wayne Samuelson, Nate Sanders, Rachael Sheedy, Cory Stokes, Jon Thomas, Patrick Tripeny, Cassandra Van Buren.

UNABLE TO ATTEND: Martha Bradley, Randy Dryer, Stephen Hess, Peter Jensen, Connor Morgan, Patrick Panos, Fernando Rubio, Ryan Steele.

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Opening up an online course
2. Discuss the Poll Everywhere software and license details; review polling software on campus
3. Mobile apps
4. Innovation Grant projects for this year
5. Sassafras license and lab stats
6. Request CSBS addition to the TLP Committee

Summary

1. Opening up an online course

Nathan Sanders informed the committee about current practices in developing online courses. This was an information item.

2. Discuss the Poll Everywhere software and license details; review polling software on campus

This was a follow-up to last month's Poll Everywhere presentation by Steve Bannister. Brandon Patterson from Eccles Health Sciences Library provided some recent data for Poll Everywhere usage at the U. He asked the committee about whether or not Poll Everywhere is a tool that should be promoted/centrally funded. If yes, what should the funding model look like? Because of the need to first identify a funding source, then go to RFP, it's too late for this year to try to purchase a solution quickly. Purchasing's deadline for this year's RFPs has passed. Questions - does TLT want to centrally support more than one polling system (e.g., clickers and something like Poll Everywhere)? And should adoption be driven by TLT? What use cases are there for using a polling tool, and what would the campus appetite be? This was an action item. The committee decided to table this decision for now and pursue it later for the FY20 RFP cycle.

3. Mobile apps

Barb Iannucci (UIT associate director for Content Management and Usability) and Rachael Sheedy (UIT associate director for Student Systems) updated the committee about their mobile app development efforts on behalf of U students. They've selected Modo Labs as the platform to develop/deliver mobile apps for students. They've done a proof of concept project for student orientation. The goal is to build an app that students can use for their entire journey at the U. They intend to have meaningful student input throughout the design and development process (e.g., ASUU, Spark Labs, beta testers, capstone projects). This was an information item.

4. Innovation Grant projects for this year

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TLT Director Jon Thomas reviewed plans for moving forward on the new idea for Innovation Grants. The committee sees a benefit in encouraging innovative instructor voices in the use of student computing fees. This was a follow-up from this past year's LS-SCF process. The committee discussed options for a call for proposals, criteria, etc. The new program will need to stay within the bounds of the purpose of student computing fees. This was an action item. The committee decided that the program will be created this year and integrated into the existing 2019-20 LS-SCF proposal and award process rather than go forward as a separate proposal/award process.

5. Sassafra license and lab stats

Matt Irsik, head of User Support and Computing Services at Marriott Library, led a discussion about the need to support virtual lab environments and asked the committee about the appropriate funding/support model for usage statistics tools to provide the stats required by the LS-SCF funding process. Should the TLP take the cost for a U license off the top of the LS-SCF funds that the TLP allocates, or require individual orgs apply for and receive funding? Four colleges (of 18) and the Marriott Library are currently using LabStats. There is a server piece and client piece. This was an action item. The committee decided that they will allow colleges to apply for funds for the client piece to track their lab statistics. The funding for the server piece will be covered by the TLP "off the top" of the funds they allocate.

6. Request CSBS addition to the TLP Committee

The College of Social and Behavioral Science has asked that the TLP add a member from their college. This was an action item. The committee decided that it was best for the portfolio chairs, rather than the full group, to make the decision. Thomas will take the matter to the chairs.