

# Library Technology and Telecommunications Senate Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: December 4, 2019 Meeting Location: Carman 162

Attendance: Ron Bergmann, Stephen Castellano, Sherry Deckman, John DeLooper, Susan Ko, Donna McGregor, Joseph Mohorcich, Kenneth Schlesinger, Jennifer Van Allen

Excused: Mr. Claudio Batista and Ms. Madelin Arias Bueno

# **Student Senator Representatives:**

Library Report: Ms. Nadine Zerphey

\*\* Library announces first floor renovation is now complete and open. Students now have access to new technology throughout the area, quiet meeting rooms, new furniture, and a café-style gallery-quiet conversation area where refreshments are permitted. Please visit us and take a look at work completed to help students succeed and supporting the instructional mission of the College. Concourse level features two new Computer Labs with furniture that may be reconfigured to enhance learning experiences for students. Library is indebted to hard work of Buildings and Grounds, Information Technology, and Public Safety for support during this project.

\*\* Library has updated its Etiquette Policy. Please remember to bring your ID to gain entrance. Keep conversations to a quiet respectful minimum. Library has three Study Zones: Quiet Study on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor South - Considerate Study on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor North - Conversational Study in 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Study Rooms and Library Gallery. Please leave your Cellphone on vibrate.

\*\* At end of the semester - *OneSearch* will become main tool for searching for books and articles in the library catalog. Current Classic Catalog has reached end of life.

\*\* Library announces Reading on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM in Library Treehouse: Sean Stein Smith's *Blockchain, Artificial Intelligence and Financial Services*.

### **Division of Information Technology**

\*\* Planning continues for the migration of faculty and staff email to Microsoft Office 365. Initial migrations are scheduled to begin for faculty in mid-March through early may. Faculty and staff are encouraged to upgrade office computers to Office 2019. An email with detailed instructions for the upgrade was sent out on Monday. The upgrade maybe accomplished without assistance by going to your SOFTWARE CENTER icon (Windows) or Self Service icon (Macs) and launch the upgrade, which takes about 15 minutes. Workshops will be offered for the various Office 365 tools in the later this semester.

\*\* Academic Affairs Tech Fee Proposals are due to the Provost this week and the Tech Fee Committee will plan meetings in March to review proposals. The tech fee committee is comprised of students, faculty and administrators.

## **Blackboard Report**

\*\* Blackboard underwent an Upgrade on December 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>. The upgrade was successful.

\*\* The Bronx Ed Tech Showcase takes place at Bronx Community College on Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at Bronx Community College. A Call For Proposals was sent out this past week. The Showcase is a great opportunity to see what colleagues at other CUNY colleges are doing with technology to support student success and enhance teaching and learning. The showcase is open to everyone in the college community.

## **Online Education**

\*\* Online Education announces two upcoming workshops: **Preparation for Teaching Online on March 23<sup>rd</sup>-April 4<sup>th</sup>.** 

**\*\*** An Open Educational Resources Workshop will be offered June 1<sup>st</sup>-June 4<sup>th</sup>. For more information on these programs, please contact Online Education

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Castellano Chair, Library Technology and Telecommunications Committee