



Library Technology and Telecommunications Senate Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: October 30, 2019

Meeting Location: Carman 162

Attendance: Ron Bergmann, Stephen Castellano, Sherry Deckman, Michele Ehrenpreis, John DeLooper, Susan Ko, Jennifer McCabe, Joseph Mohorcich, Kenneth Schlesinger.

Excused: Raymond Diaz, Jennifer Van Allen

Student Senator Representatives: Nadine Zerphey

Library Report:

** Due to network maintenance - Library needed to close at 6:00 PM on Friday, November 1st

** Library offered Midterms Extended Study Hours until Midnight October 15-31

** 24-Hour Final Exam Study Hall will be offered December 6-20

** Library announces Reading and Discussion of Joy Greenberg-Jessica Kahn's *Early Childhood Education and Care: History, Policy, and Social Work Practice* on Tuesday, November 19th at 2:00 PM in the Treehouse

** Library - in partnership with Journalism-Media Studies and Latin American-Puerto Rican Studies -will present Rima Brusi's *Dismantling Public Education in Puerto Rico: Puerto Rico Before and After the Storm* on Tuesday, December 3rd at 11:00 AM

Division of Information Technology

** During the 2018-19 Academic Year, the Library Technology and Telecommunications Committee was tasked with recommending guidelines for the use of college listservs. Listservs are email lists used by departments, committees and campus leaders for communicating general College or CUNY information to various constituencies. Over the past two semesters, the Library Technology and Telecommunications Committee has reviewed the proposed guidelines and consulted with the Governance Committee and the chair of the Academic Freedom Committee. Our recommendations will be presented to the full Senate next month.

** Planning continues for the migration of faculty and staff email to Microsoft Office 365. Initial migrations are planned scheduled to begin in January 2020. More information will follow.

** The development of the **Lehman Lightning** chatbot pilot is moving forward. The Lehman Lightning name for the Chabot was selected by a student focus group, and the artwork for the chatbot was developed by a Lehman student. We are hoping to launch the chatbot to test its wings on a few pilot websites in mid-November.

** Please continue to be vigilant with e-mail to reduce the threat of phishing. A department chair will ask you to buy gift cards or ask if you are "available" from a non-Lehman email account. Please do not provide log-in or personal information in response to an email, and please be careful to not click on links or attachments from unknown senders.

Blackboard Report

** Blackboard will undergo an Upgrade on December 29th-30th. During this time period, Bb will be unavailable. There will be no major changes from the user perspective. Bb will function just the same as it does now.

** On November 12th and 13th and 18th and 19th All CUNY Blackboard Administrators will perform User Acceptance Testing to ensure that there are no surprises with the upgrade. In the event that we find some errors, we can report to Bb giving them plenty of lead time to correct the error.

Online Education

** Online Education announces their upcoming webinar: **Teaching Larger Classes-Maintaining Your Sanity**

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Castellano
Chair, Library Technology and Telecommunications Committee