

## Library Technology and Telecommunications Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: April 1, 2023

Next Meeting: April 26th @ 11 AM

Location: ZOOM

Attendance: Stephen Castellano, Sherry Deckman, John DeLooper. Joseph Mohorcich, Edi Ruiz,

Kenneth Schlesinger, Jennifer Van Allen

Student Senator: No Student Senators Present

Excused: Michelle Ehrenpreis, Donna McGregor, Jennifer McCabe, Kenneth Schlesinger

### Library

- Library with cooperation from Public Safety is pleased to announce Extended Hours for Finals Week coming up May 17<sup>th</sup> to May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Library First floor will be open until Midnight during exams. Limited Library staff will be available during the Extended Hours. Round the clock Virtual Chat will be available. Library appreciates support of Administration and Finance and Public Safety for making these Extended Hours possible to the college community
- Library and Sociology facilitated a Reading and Discussion with Devrim Yavuz. Professor Yavuz read and led a discussion from his book *Democracy and Capitalism in Turkey*. The event took place on Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 2:00 PM. Please visit the Library Homepage for more details and to register.
- Library invites you to attend a *Research Data Management Workshop* facilitated by Katelyn Angell. This Workshop will introduce key skills for organizing, documenting, storing, and sharing data throughout the research data lifecycle in the natural and social sciences. The workshop is Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 2:00 3:00 PM. Please visit the Library homepage for more details and to register.

# **Information Technology**

- Over Spring Break Electrical work was performed to the college emergency systems. The work required power to be shut down in certain areas and campus data systems were impacted on the following three days April 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. We are pleased to report that the work on the emergency systems was successful and normal operations resumed as planned.
- The Tech Fee Committee has met two times The first meeting was an introductory meeting to acquaint new committee members to the Tech Fee process. The second

meeting was held on Monday afternoon and the process of reviewing proposals from Arts and Humanities started. Additional meetings will be held through the rest of April to continue the review of proposals. The committee recommendations will be forwarded to President Delgado for his review and approval before sending the Tech Fee plan to CUNY.

• A new IT Service Management System will be deployed early Summer. The new system called SERVICE NOW will greatly decrease the time that it takes for the college community to have IT issues addressed and provide the IT Division will a more sophisticated workflow to solve your technical issues. The college community will be learning more about Service Now as we approach deployment.

### Blackboard

- You may have noticed that faculty can no longer enroll students/guests in classes on Bb.
  We had to disable this feature because the University was out of FERPA compliance.
  FERPA stands for Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. If you need to have someone enrolled in your course, please contact me and I will do the enrollment for you.
- Transition to D2L Update: CUNY has entered into a contract with Brightspace. The Contract was executed on March 21 and will now be sent to the Office of the State Comptroller for approval. CUNY has launched a website officially announcing the transition from Bb to D2L Brightspace. The website is: <a href="https://www.cuny.edu/academics/brightspace-transition/">https://www.cuny.edu/academics/brightspace-transition/</a> The Transition Timeline, Governance and other information can be found on the website. We have not identified which group we will be part of. However, it will not be Group 1.
- The Bronx Ed Tech Showcase is coming up on May 5<sup>th</sup> at Bronx Community College. Please join us for a day of technology presentations from colleagues at the three Bronx CUNY campuses. The program is open to the college community. To register please GOOGLE Bronx Ed Tech Showcase and click on the REGISTER button.

#### **Online Education**

• Course Design Institute is being offered between March 15<sup>th</sup> and August 20<sup>th</sup>. For More Information, please contact the Office of Online Education