

Educational Technology Committee

April 27, 2023 (approved)

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Tak Auyeung	LRCFT		Patrick Crandley	SCC	x
Kate Williamson	Librarian		Manveer Bola	DO-AVCIT	x
Tammy Montgomery	DO-AVCI	EX			
Guest: Joe Rusk					

Welcome & Announcements

The zoom meeting was called to order at 3:00p. It was noted the AVC-IT was filling in for the Deputy Chancellor as co-chair.

Approval of Notes from March and the Agenda

The agenda for today's meeting was approved, and the notes from the March meeting were approved.

Discussion Items

Accessibility Positions - FLC has interest forms due tomorrow and then our impressions panels on 15 May; same with CRC and ARC; SCC is still working on it and no dates have been set.

R-3142 – Senate Response – The faculty co-chair presented the committee-approved changes, to the Academic Senate at their last meeting related to section 2.1.1.1. It was note that there was discussion of this item at the 9/29/2016 Ed Tech meeting (to clarify language regarding Ed Tech's authority to recommend changes related to instructional technology), but the changes weren't official made to the policy at that time.

Proctorio Contract Continuation - An email was sent to all faculty from the AVCI informing them that Proctorio is continuing through spring of 2024 as a result of a vote at the Academic Senate, and there will be a "hard reset on the 26th." The Senate indicate that they will be creating a process to find a potential alternative. At present, neither Ed Tech nor DOIT has been asked to participate, but all of our background on this topic was provide to them. The Proctorio contact will be renewed at the current usage numbers which are about 40% lower than what we renewed at last year.

Otter.ai. Demo

A guest counselor from ARC's DSPS noted that they purchased Otter.AI for DSPS students last October and are about to launch it after the vendor's IT department corrects a FERPA issue that was discovered. There is a waitlist of about 20 students, and they have 50 licenses for this tool. It is generally a well-liked service, and ARC negotiated a deal with the vendor to allow them to immediately purchase the product before the pricing increased and to allow other campuses and/or the entire district to receive the same pricing at a future date. A districtwide contract with Otter could cost approx. \$15,000 per campus for 175 licenses. Currently ARC pays \$12,000 for only 50 licenses.

It was noted that Otter was originally designed primarily as a transcription tool for meetings, but it is also an effective educational tool due to its notetaking capabilities, its ease of learning, and its ease of managing the licenses. Has this been discussed with other DSPS folks at the other campuses? Yes. They seem interested, but perhaps don't need so many licenses. Wouldn't students whose first language is not English benefit from this as well as students who have not documented their disabilities/are not receiving DSPS services? Yes. Who owns the intellectual property for the notes that are created? Could a DSPS student who has access to the service share their notes with the entire class? Depends. With in-person note takers, there is agreement between the student and the faculty on whether the notes can be shared and what can be recorded. If all students are using this, technically they're supposed to ask for permission by law to record someone. DSPS students are allowed to record because it's an accommodation, so it might be a little bit harder to monitor non DSPS student use. Faculty could also benefit by having transcripts of meetings and a lot of other things. It was noted that DSPS funding can only be used for DSPS students. All students could benefit from good lecture notes. What is the definition of a "recording" and how would we enforce any rules against sharing? Most phones have audio recording capabilities and there are recording devices in pens. Faculty could have a statement in their syllabus about recording devices. Faculty do have the right to not be recorded unless the recording is an accommodation for a DSPS student. Violations could become a Conduct issue. Other areas where a tool like this would be helpful were noted including having audio and transcript services for onground classes similar to what remote classes have with Zoom which allows for recording and transcription. Could this be used to close caption our videos? The tool, Shire, was noted as a possible similar product. The requirement that we pay annually instead of three years at a time was questioned. What do other districts do?

This item will be moved forward by the DSPS as a district-interest for DSPS, but could be expanded for other interested constituents if Ed Tech wants to pursue it with separate funding sources. A contract allowing district-wide licenses available to everyone might also be an option.

Informational Updates

DOIT & LMS: no updates

AVCI: no updates

IAC: Final report is completed (shared in chat) and will be presented to DAS.

CVC-OEI/Fastrack: none

Library: It was noted that the Library uses EZ Proxy for IP authentication in coordination with SSO. The statewide librarian group has decided to cover the cost of EZ Proxy. Los Rios is currently self hosted on a server and the librarian group is paying for cloud hosted so all of our

links will need to be changed. Will this affect the library pages that are in faculty Canvas pages? It is believed the piece related to textbooks will be affected. Will the permalinks to individual items need to be updated? Yes. There will be some overlap of the two systems so that should help a little bit. It was noted that students will use permalinks as part of their citations so the change should not happen in the middle of the semester if possible.

College/LMS/DE

The colleges provided updates. SCC noted that they got RSI (Regular Substantive Interaction) through Academic Senate. CRC completed the update of the distance ed master plan and it's being reviewed by various committees. A suggestion was made to find a way to coordinate a district-wide coverage plan for summer distance ed activities. It was noted that @ONE may not exist after June 30th, but are offering free courses during the summer.

Future Ageda item:

Otter Update

A.I Impacts

Turn-It-On's AI detector

ASCCC will be providing some AI guidance, and SCC will form a workgroup to discuss AI.

Adjourned at 4:12P.