



MINUTES OCTOBER 7, 2021

3:30 – 4:30 p.m., via Zoom

Meeting called to order: 3:30 p.m.

In attendance: Cameron Carr, John Fitzsimmons, Elizabeth Humphrey, Sarah Jabir, John Kemp (Chair), Rob Lively, Morgan Locandro, Michael Miller, Presley Patterson, Rebecca Porter, John Reid, Laure'L Santos, Presley Patterson, Rebecca Porter, John Reid, Laure'L Santos, Brandy Scarnati

Absent: Tom Cardoza, Bob Fletcher, Viola Pellissier

Guests: Sue Malek

Approve meeting minutes April 1, 2021 & September 2, 2021

The April 1 and September 2, 2021 Learning Commons minutes were approved.

Family History Research Room – Sue Malek

Sue Malek announced the grand opening of the Genealogy Room in LIB210.

Overview of Learning Commons Services

John Fitzsimmons Discussed again with enthusiasm the new library system. He noted how much more effective of a search system/research tool it is compared to the previous system and how, through PRIMO, TMCC students, faculty, and staff can access UNR resources. John also noted the system is very user friendly when retrieving external sources from different schools. The committee discussed how to promote the new system and John Fitzsimmons also reiterated his willingness to offer tours and give classroom presentations.

Presley promoted the Tutoring Center and asked for the committee's assistance in promoting the center to students needing help. She too offered to give class presentations to students for those professors/instructors who wish to participate.

Discuss panels for this year

The committee discussed the progress on the speaker series. The Halloween Monster Panel scheduled for October 28 is proceeding apace although recruiting for presenters has been disappointing. The committee is pressing forward. The proposed panel on COVID compared to the 1918-19 Spanish Flu and how COVID has affected indigenous peoples is in progress. The committee has connected with the Veteran's Resource Center about an Afghanistan Panel with veterans. Felipe has been very supportive and the project is up and running.

AY 21-22 Meeting Schedule

Meetings will be held 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. on ~~9/2, 10/7~~, 11/4, 2/3, 3/3, 4/7

Old Business

none

New Business

Rob Lively announced that he is working on a grant to fund the OER Summer Institute – 8 faculty can sign up

Next meeting: Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. via Zoom

Meeting adjourned: 4:13 p.m.