



MEETING MINUTES NOV. 2, 2023

3:30 – 4:30 p.m., via Zoom

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

In attendance: Jim Collier, Paul Davis, Alexander Day, Bob Fletcher, Laurel Harrison, Blisin Hestiyas, John Hughes, Beth Humphrey, Fred Lokken (Chair), Gay Lutz, Suzanne Malek, Deysi Montes, Viola Pellissier, Rebecca Porter, Nishant Rangamani, Laure’L Santos, Kristin Temme

Absent: Bob Fletcher, Emily King, Dustin Moore, Jared Sorensen

Guests: Amber Anaya, Heather Lupkey, John Reid

Approve the October 5, 2023 meeting minutes

Nishant Rangamani moved and Paul Davis seconded to approve the October 5, 2023 Learning Commons Committee Meeting Minutes. The committee approved the motion.

Chair’s Report

Fred reported on the conversation with the VPAA regarding the Learning Commons. The VPAA is looking to update the Learning Commons. John Hughes will be reviewing items for the strategic plan. Please send John any ideas for the name of the Learning Commons. He likes “The LC”.

In February, the committee will discuss what is offered in the Learning Commons versus what is offered at other colleges. A list will be provided to John Hughes. A committee member mentioned there is a library space planning website that has ideas for different names for the Learning Commons. It was also suggested to ask students what they would like.

Library Director’s Report

The library will host After Dark Hours for students on November 27-29, 2023 from 6-9 p.m. Faculty are invited to hold office hours during this time. Part-time faculty are eligible for a \$50 stipend for participation. Seven departments have signed up so far. Hot cocoa, coffee, and snacks will be served. There may be a Spring event for midterms and finals.

The Retention Committee has three working groups looking at part-time student retention, TMCC best practices, and national retention best practices.

TLC Committee Update

Sue reported she has worked with instructor Jennifer Griffin in Sociology on student projects to look at the genealogy of a social worker and the student’s genealogy. Sue also has a listserv to feature an E-book of the week.

Programs

Monster Panel: The panel featured three speakers, the turnout was not huge. It was suggested to use the auditorium in the Sierra Building for future Monster Panels and to hold the event on October 31.

Political Divisiveness Panel: The panel is set for 11-12 p.m. on November 30 in LIB 106 and will explore the 18, 19, and contemporary centuries.

Ideas are needed for February, March, and April.

Other Business

There is an internal search for a TLC Coordinator, an open search for a testing center and WebCollege Coordinator, and part-time Librarian position.

Meeting adjourned: 4:12 p.m.

Next Meeting: February 1, 2024