



MEETING MINUTES FEB. 4, 2021

3:30 – 4:30 p.m., via Zoom

Meeting called to order: 3:33 p.m.

In attendance: Rob Lively (Chair), Michael Miller, Rebecca Porter, Laure'L Santos, Josh Shinn, Bob Fletcher, Phyllis Henderson, Jim Collier, Brandy Scarnati, Beth Humphrey, Robert Kirchman, Tom Cardoza, Jonathan Lam, Viola Pellissier, John Fitzsimmons, Cameron Carr, Jencie Davies

Absent: Scott Huber, Alexandra Patri

Add to Committee: Cameron Carr, John Fitzsimmons, Viola Pellissier

Remove from Committee: John Kemp, Sherry McGee, Neil Siegel (retired)

Approve meeting minutes

The meeting minutes from Nov. 5, 2020 were approved unanimously.

Learning Commons Committee Chair Elections

Rob Lively's term as Chair is up, but no one volunteered to run for chair. If anyone is interested in chairing this great committee, contact Rob Lively or YeVonne Allen.

Update on Feb. and March panels

Our Feb. Panel is up and ready to go

A Panel Discussion

February 25th. 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. via Zoom

Sponsors: TMCC Learning Commons Committee
TMCC History/Political Science Club

Description: Controversy has centered on the Electoral College since the 2000 election--and again, 2016, when the decision of the Electoral College superseded the vote of the people in the election. What is the Electoral College? Why is it relevant? A panel of TMCC faculty will discuss the Electoral College within the context of the history of the college, it's original intent and how it has played out recently, then finally a future look at if we will even retain the Electoral College."

Panelists:

"The Origins and Intentions of the Electoral College"

Fred Lokken, Political Science

"An Overview of the 1876 Election/1877 Electoral College Decision in Historical Context"

Dr. Tom Cardoza, Humanities

"The Electoral College: A Recent Context"

Dr. Brian Fletcher, Political Science

"What Does the Future Hold for the Electoral College"

Nate MacKinnon, Political Science

The March Panel will be on The Roaring 20s from 2:00-3:30 on March 25th.
We hope everyone can attend these panels.

Discussion of Library and Learning Commons Services Spring Semester

Neil Siegel has retired, and the Learning Commons Committee wanted to acknowledge his great service to the faculty and staff of TMCC. He will be missed.

John Fitzsimmons, Cameron Carr, and Viola Pellissier talked about the expanding use of Learning Commons resources and how the library can help facilitate classroom resources.

- Librarians can Zoom into classes to talk about resources.
- They can help create library guides across many disciplines.
- Remote tutoring is available with links directly in Canvas.
- The Learning Commons can scan and email materials for students and faculty if needed.
- The Learning Commons is open for walk-ins, computer use, and study spaces.
- Consultation with research librarians can occur online or face-to-face with appointment.
- Tutors are needed in many areas. If you have good students, refer them to Brandy or fill out the online tutor recommendation

Next meeting is Thursday, March 4, 2021 at 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned: 4:17 p.m.