Senate Teaching Learning and Assessment Committee

Minutes

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11:00 am Online via Google Meet Link

Present: Jason Swift (Chair), Lantz Ferrell, Rebecca Gault (minutes), Janet Gubbins, Amy Mendez, Josh Sewell

- 1. Welcome.
- 2. Selection of minute recorder.
 - a. Rebecca Gault
- 3. Review and approval of September Minutes TBA.
 - a. Minutes of the September 30 meeting are being updated and will be sent via email by Jason Swift (JS) subsequent to this meeting for approval via online vote.
- 4. CourseDen Shells.
 - a. As of now, there are three potential templates being proposed. One template will be chosen as use for a common CourseDen shell. IFE and TLA are seeking faculty input and feedback on the three potential templates.
 - b. JS included the link to the google form for faculty, and especially TLA members, to enroll to preview and provide input on the common course components: <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe8Tv7FmZ8a2SVB6WkZH-DqASAzgRmPrCIE4DYvIPsQH7fSAQ/viewform</u>
 - c. TLA members are asked to reach out to departments and units to seek input, request that instructors use the form to preview and provide input.
 - d. General discussion among committee members related that common course templates for LMS are typically used at other institutions, it is anticipated that some (but not most) instructors may have concerns about using a common template, faculty concerns that have been expressed include infringements on faculty freedom and academic voice, a common template is beneficial to students and needed to provide appropriate student support, a common template is beneficial to instructors, IFE is available to support instructors with the learning curve, initial outreach on the part of TLA and IFE can be instrumental in bringing faculty into common template selection process.
 - e. In future meetings, TLA, along with IFE will explore ways to pilot a common template so that both faculty and student feedback can be collected.
- 5. Ally.
 - a. Ally is proposed to be enabled in all CourseDens as of December 22.
 - b. TLA may need to provide an information item to faculty senate to inform senate and faculty of the incorporation of Ally in all CourseDens and that IFE can assist faculty with any questions or concerns.

- c. JS mentioned that some issues may arise with Ally compatibility with Moodle and Google Docs.
- d. Article on Ally, shared by JS, that we can share with faculty in our departments: <u>https://uwgonline.service-now.com/kb?id=kb_article_view&sysparm_article=KB0010738</u>
- 6. Audio recording in classrooms.
 - a. Christy Carmen, general counsel, confirmed that a faculty committee will not be not to create policy because of legal constraints. However, the committee may consider developing recommended language that could be used in faculty syllabi. This language would need to be vetted by legal and upper administration. TLA committee members may discuss if this is a charge the committee has interest in pursuing in future meetings.
- 7. Old/New business.
 - a. JS still has not heard from student government about a student representative for TLA. He will reach out again.
- 8. Adjourn 12:00 pm.