# **TLTR Notes April 12 2018**

Present (TLTR members) Maureen O'Halloran, Jonas Lamb, Virgil, John Ingman, Wendy Horne, Anne Spehar, Susie Feero, Jon Martin

Also present: Jonas Lamb (Egan library)

## 1) Approve minutes - approved

## 2) Jonas Lamb - Overview of OER

- OER Brochure attached
- Library Website: http://www.uas.alaska.edu/library/oer/index.html

Jonas oversees OER program through Egan Library. Documents and resources were provided. Open Educational Resources include things like YouTube videos as well as open textbooks etc. OER project hopes to promote open resources, OER "champions". OER project has gone on since 2016 under the "Alt-Text" name. Alt-Text can provide free texts to students — have saved \$35,000 for students, involving 17 faculty in 20 courses. Some is grass-roots as well as with assistance of Alt-Text, This spring \$11,000 in savings for students, 7 courses, 133 students. Jonas listed several courses/faculty. Other cost-saving measures: Math has bought previous edition of Math 055 course and given to library to provide to students at no cost.

Initial conversation have begun with UAA and UAF to create system-wide OER program. They are preparing proposal to state-wide academic innovations.

Discussion: Faculty in Sitka and Ketchikan are also using OER resources – those should be captured too for proposal. Jonas has contacted some faculty from those campuses, will happily assist faculty in identifying resources etc. Research shows time to curate and identify

### Jonas:

Software needs to support teaching/OER should be assessed—suggests Pressbooks.edu — Wordpress based book publishing. Can make online text which can also export as pdf. Free version requires \$100 per book when published. Author agrees to creative commons license book.

Creating Learning Objects = Articulate Storyline used in Sitka – price \$600 per author per year.

Question was asked about availability of server space to host published materials and activities. UAS currently has Wordpress server maintained by Fairbanks for us at no cost at this time.

If considering converting a class. Recognize time that it takes –recommend that faculty apply for a grant from the Provost Innovation Fund or UA Academic Innovation Fund. Be sure if you create/modify/curate recourses include in your publications. May need to "educate" others as to why they should be included as publications.

Discussion: Fairbanks – the Distance and eLearning Center is very interested in OER – connect with Carol Gering.

#### Jonas:

A lot of textbook affordability and OER discussion nationwide is that universities are being required to identify costs including textbook costs. UAS is currently not really doing that in course schedules and there is currently no state policy but that may change. Faculty should do research and know current textbook costs.

### 3) IT report - Cody unable to attend so he sent us the report earlier (attached)

# 4) CELT Report TLTR (Maureen)

### **Events**

See CELT website for events <a href="https://www.uas.alaska.edu/celt/">www.uas.alaska.edu/celt/</a>

**April 13** Webinar -10 am Valuing OER: From Student Affordability to Meaningful Learning Opportunities (Intellus Learning) – register for recording

April 13 11:30 am Teaching with Wikipedia – Egan 103 or Google Hangout or Conference Call

**Tech Tuesday** – see <a href="https://www.uas.alaska.edu/celt/idn/events/techtuesday">www.uas.alaska.edu/celt/idn/events/techtuesday</a> for previous recordings and YouTube playlist – the last one is Tues April 17 at 2 pm.

**April 20** – OER roundtable – unsure if there are enough responses to schedule it (later update – there was not enough response so this is canceled. Plan to hold event with Fall convocation.

**Quality Matters** training = next up in May Applying the Quality Matters Rubric and Improving You Online Course – see events page for dates and links to registration

**Peer Review Survey** – sent out by the provost to collect data on peer review for all types of courses. Currently collecting data of status of peer review at UAS for accreditation report. As of April 12 we have 55 responses.

https://goo.gl/forms/DynHGFGdLQN9SxRz2

### 5) New Business

New business – need to identify who will remain on TLTR for dept reps and if you are not going to be the rep next year then work with dept. chair to identify new rep send confirmations or changes to Kimberly or Susie. Changes in co-chair will be identifies next year. Time and day better set once new members are identified.

This is last meeting for semester – next meetings will be fall term.

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