

## Regional TLTR Notes

**September 19, 2019**

Present: Ann Spehar (Ketchikan), Tim Powers (Business), Cody Bennett (IT), Kimberly Matsuura (co-chair/Staff), Susie Feero (co-chair/Natural Science), Paulette Schirmer (Business), Jonas Lamb (Library Sciences), John Ingram

New members are Paulette Schirmer, Jonas Lamb, Kaia Henrickson and Marnie Chapman.

Absent Members: Marnie Chapman, Virgil Fredenberg and Wendy Horn.

Changes in membership to come, Paulette is taking over for Tim Powers, Jonas and Kaia Henrickson will split Library Sciences membership. Ann Spehar will not be a member in spring.

### **March 21, 2019 minutes: Approved.**

Discussion of TLTR's purpose and mission for new members.

- In support of our UAS mission, the Regional Teaching, Learning, and Technology Roundtable (TLTR) brings together faculty, staff, and students in order to make recommendations in support of innovative strategies and practices for using technology to improve teaching and learning. The TLTR is a shared governance committee at UAS that reports both to Faculty Senate and to the Provost. The Faculty Senate President and the Provost each appoint a co-chair. Recommendations from the regional TLTR are submitted to both entities. The TLTR is expected to make recommendations to the Senate and Provost about best practices in technology-enhanced learning, faculty and staff professional development needs, and facilities and support services available to improve teaching and learning with technology.

### **IT update: (Cody)**

- There are the starting phases of the IT consolidation, similar to the HR consolidation that is happening. The OIT-CIO guiding framework is coming through Mike Ciri and Mark Condract. The thought is this will be a \$3M decrease and 15 positions; the IT Council is asking questions in person next week. Ann thinks there will still be some local presence like the HR consolidation. Cody says there is a lot of uncertainty in the future from a maintenance perspective.
- Blackboard Q4 update and CR bug fixes will add Collaborate Ultra, currently located at the bottom, to near the WebMeeting area. WebMeeting is product agnostic and is currently Collaborate original "classic" and will be sunset by end of year 2020. Collaborate Ultra was discussed to fill in or use something else when archiving data as we need to figure out how to by then.
- Windows 7 upgrade to Windows 10 is in process as Windows 7 will no longer be supported after January – no more security updates, not that the program will cease working.
- Zoom: RFP went out with a list for cloud based video/web conferencing tools. Pepix was a tool that allowed laptop and video cam to web conference servicing but not cloud based. Zoom pro licenses was established with connect, screen sharing, multiple microphone and distinguishing between speakers. Zoom went live in August on an ad hoc basis for administrative meetings.
- Impact for classroom setup was discussed if this was replacing the Fairbanks based video conferencing system where a bridged conference call had to be established. UAS uses less than

1% of the video conferencing services and is a duplicate of something in the course – Collaborate Ultra. Zoom is user based – each person has their own ID and this is a departure from the “class” course room set up. Since these are user based, there is the reliance on backup by the user to a central location for departmental or future use. The backup in Zoom is only 1 year before the information is purged. The intent is to replace the aging technology. The question was raised if Zoom fits into the UAS modality. Zoom has different fidelity of audio and more information is (alaska.zoom.us).

A subcommittee was established to perform a SWAT analysis of the tools available to work with institutional designers. If the system is too expensive and is duplicative to what is already in play across other systems. The committee is to look at the expense system wide for a total cost comparison and the academic versus business need. The committee are: Susie, Jonas, Cody, John, and Kim.

**CELT: (John)**

Discussed upcoming CELT training sessions, mentioned CELT recording room for faculty to work on course lectures/material located within CELT.

**Closed Captioning: (Susie)**

Discussed closed captioning information that was presented at Convocation. There are several options available.

YouTube – free – some manual manipulation is necessary as the tool is basic voice/text capability

Zubtitle – allows for formatting of text and does have a cost

Trent – grabs the transcript from a pre-recorded session and can differentiate speakers of the video. Also exports to a video editor.

Zoom – also does auto captioning of cloud recordings and there is a plan for live recording which is 90-95% accurate.

Collaborate Ultra (classic) – can have live closed captioning as well. Someone is made the captioner while the meeting is going on and the person will type out what is being said.

UAA has a pot of money for closed captioning.

Continuing Topics – Technology Guidelines was tabled until the 10/17 meeting.

Next meeting scheduled for 10/17 from 11-12pm