



The University of Vermont
FACULTY SENATE

Educational & Research Technologies Committee
Minutes
427a Waterman
September 9, 2019

Present: Thomas Chittenden (Faculty Senate President), Luben Dinov (RSENR), Hung Do (BSAD), Deb Ellis (CAS), Lutz Kaelber (CAS), Jane Petrillo (CALs), Helen Read (CEMS), Lyman Ross (LIB), Regina Toolin (CESS), Tim Tourville (CNHS),

Absent: Elise Hotaling (LCOM), Marie Wood* (LCOM)

Guests: Simeon Ananou, Mike Austin, Hope Greenberg, Alex Messinger

Chair Regina Toolin called the meeting to order at 9:03 am in Waterman 403.

- **Minutes.** The minutes of the May 2019 were approved as written.
- **Update on Course Evaluation Software.** In 2011 the ERTC passed a resolution on course evaluation software, a contract has been established and implementation will start this fall. A presentation of the software at a future ERTC meeting would be beneficial. CIO Ananou encourages that all units move take advantage of this software.
- **Ally Update.** Is up and running on campus. They will continue to offer support to Ally users with extended office hours and more resources for faculty. They are looking to get to 67% or higher accessibility on all documents. CTL is looking for faculty feedback on ways to continue to improve and update.
- **CEMS Laptop Survey.**

Do you have a laptop that meets the suggested student computer specification?

Yes = Yes, I have (or plan to acquire) a laptop that meets or exceeds the minimum specs
N-S = I have a laptop that does not meet the minimum specs
No = I do not plan on having a laptop

College	#Responses	Yes	N-S	No
CALS	290	276 95.2%	13 4.5%	1 0.3%
CAS	1270	1200 94.5%	58 4.6%	12 0.9%

CEMS	371	350	19	2
		94.3%	5.1%	0.5%
CESS	127	122	4	1
		96.1%	3.1%	0.8%
CNHS	273	258	13	2
		94.5%	4.8%	0.7%
GGP	35	34	1	0
		97.1%	2.9%	0.0%
GSB	209	198	9	2
		94.7%	4.3%	1.0%
RSENR	174	160	12	0
		92.0%	6.9%	0.0%
All UVM	2749	2598	129	20
		94.5%	4.7%	0.7%

Starting 2020/ 2021 all UVM students will be required to have a laptop. This will allow for the use of financial aid to help some students purchase laptops. Virtual Votey helps students that have older computers access software they can not load onto their computers. Topics the ERTC would like to consider in regards to the new policy.

- Software availabilty
 - Lab efficiency and the effects of reducing labs
- **OneDrive for Business.** This is an approved UVM sharing site. It works well across all devices. You can get basic info at <https://www.uvm.edu/it/kb/article/onedrive>. Other sharing services are not supported by UVM and if used for official UVM documentation a breech of information would be at the fault of the user.
 - **Microsoft Teams.** Supports video confrecing, large event webinars, online meetings, instant messenger and other services all through university approved software. Mike Austin would like to do a demenstartion at a future ERTC meeting. To get more information go to <https://www.uvm.edu/it/kb/article/teams>.
 - **Outlook Mobile.** Is now supported by UVM.
 - **Learning Management System (LMS) Review Advisory Committee.** The core committee has been meeting since last spring. They did a survey on blackboard features and users. The results should be available soon. Lutz has served as the ERTC representative to the advisory committee in the past, the meetings are not regularly scheduled. The next meeting will take place at 1:00pm on the 19th, Lutz attend this meeting and report back at the October ERTC meeting.

- **2019 / 2020 ERTC Priorities.**
 - Student input on computer labs and access. ERTC to review the survey being developed by the CIO before it is distributed. Get an update from CIO and inquire about adding a faculty survey.
 - High Performance Computing. VACC, Adrian Del Maestro
 - Digital Citizenship, Simeone and Mark Eckerly
 - Classroom environment, identify the priorities. Invite Bob Vaghan, Michelle Smith, Andrew Horvat.
 - Open textbooks. (SAC also has this as a potential priority for the year)
 - Veronika Carter, Registrar update
 - Updated operating procedures.

- **New Business.**
 - Students buying papers online
 - Safe assign is a tool used in Blackboard.
 - Susanmarie Harrington would be a good guest about this topic.
 - How students are made aware of how the university is using 3rd party software to monitor plagiarism.

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 am.

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