



FACULTY SENATE

Educational & Research Technologies Committee

Minutes

Microsoft Teams

November 8, 2023

9:00 to 10:30 Teams

- Present: Thomas Borchert (Faculty Senate), Hung Do (GSB), Laura Haines (LIB), Amy Hughes Lansing (CAS), Marc Law (CAS), Helen Read (CEMS), Mark Starrett (CALS), Regina Toolin (CESS), Tim Tourville (CNHS)
- Absent: Jarlath O'Neill-Dunne (RSENR), CAS), Suraj Joshi (SGA), Sara Pawlowski (LCOM), Delphine Quenet\* (LCOM), Vacant (GSS)
- Guests: Mike Austin, Veronika Carter, Naima Dennis, Max Medina, Rachel Seremeth, Susan Skalka

Chair Helen Read called the meeting to order at 9:04 am via Microsoft Teams.

1. **Approval of the Minutes.** The minutes of the October 2023 meeting were approved.
2. **My UVM portal, Veronika Carter, Rachel Seremeth & Max Medina.** Rachel will be leaving UVM next week and Susan Skalka will step in as an interim director. Max presented the committee with a demonstration on how the portal works. For the presentation, please e-mail the Faculty Senate at [facsen@uvm.edu](mailto:facsen@uvm.edu). Some of the questions included.
  - There we concern about logging in with the VPN on and off campus, the working group will do some testing and report back to the committee.
  - Links to common things faculty use.
    - There is a link to People Soft on the main menu. The committee would like a link to both Human Resources and Financials (purchard).
    - There is an Office 365 link that will get you directly to e-mail.
  - They are aiming for a rollout before the spring semester begins, they are close but have a few things they must work on.
  - They will decide by next week if they will present at the November Faculty Senate meeting giving the faculty an update on where they are and help ease faculty into the new system even though it is not 100% ready for roll out. If they do not attend the November meeting, they will present at the December meeting.

- There is concern about rolling this out too quickly and having issues without faculty support, is there a way to push the roll out to next fall.

If the committee has any comments or feedback please send them to Max, Veronika, and Naima.

### **3. New Business / Old Business.**

- Brightspace feedback and potential survey.
- WIFI and the impact how it is impacting classroom experiences.
  - The SAC raised this issue and Thomas brought it to the ERTC for consideration. Mike Austin will reach out to Randy Spooner to help facilitate who would be best to work with the ERTC on the issue.
- Electronic signatures
- Dean Geffert will be at the December meeting to discuss the new libraries numbering system.

### **4. Adjourn.** The meeting adjourned at 10:01 am.

\*Teaching conflict

The next meeting of the ERTC will take place on December 13, 2023, from 9:00 to 10:30am on Teams.