

Faculty Senate 12/4/2012 Minutes

2: 30 ES Bld.

Lecture Room

Attendees: William Stowe, Paula Carter, Brandon Walker, Laney Mobley, Richard Dugger, Cindy Lavine, Lori Truman, Jerry Fuller, Lynn McCutchen, Karl Steddom, Debbie, Williams, Dorothy Puckett, Terry York, Paul Buchanan.

We discussed the need a media person. Bulb and projector issues were reported to be an issue.

Proctor U – This test monitoring service was discussed. This service will be able to provide test monitoring and be an alternative to the testing center. During the SACs conference, I asked about the proctoring requirement, and the update that I got on this was still not clear. Originally Dept. of Ed wanted electronic monitoring, so the Proctored U will cover that need.

Duration of timeout feature on desktop/laptops – Currently the campus computers are timing out after 15 minutes.

I checked the State of Texas Policy for IT, and this policy is 5 minutes longer than the 10 minutes recommended for information security by the State of Texas DIR Agency.

Building maintenance and cleaning – This topic was a major concern around campus at the earlier meeting. Some of the members had seen some improvement, but other areas still need lacked proper cleaning and maintenance.

There was a discussion of about changing class schedule from (MWF and TTH) to (MW and TTh). Several of members present indicated their current class schedule was (MW and TTh). This was already done in several departments.

E-book and infrastructure meeting – This was a discussion of the need to provide infrastructure to support e-books and iPads in the classrooms. The current needs assessment indicated that the current classroom infrastructure would need several more wireless access points before adequate coverage would allow a major shift from paper textbooks to e-books. Additionally, there was discussion on the cost and limitations of changing to e-books.