

Inclusive Technology Lab Advisory Council

March 27, 2019

Location: COM 110

Summary Notes

Attendees: Meghan Currie (ITL Coordinator & DRC Advisor), Brian Powell (Centre for Teaching and Learning), Earllene Roberts (Disability Resource Centre), Barbara Sobol (Library), Sky Mooney (IT Services), Sienna (Psychology Student), Parsa (ITL PTA), Jason McLeod (Risk Management Services), Sara McDonald (COGS)

Regrets: Cheryl Ash (Accessibility Staff member), Carleigh Benoit (WRAP, Human Resources)

Minutes: Barbara Sobol

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- Review of Presentation
 - 75 students total using ITL, 19 new students this term
 - Technology loans to date – 83 patrons for a total of 171 items loaned

ITL Recent engagement activities:

- New campus and library staff tours
- MGMT 220 students awareness project
- Embracing Aging event in March

Matters arising:

- In conversation with UBCO bookstore – to carry dot paper for Smartpens – possible group buying, poster to put up in ITL once this is in place
Action: Meghan to follow up with Ryan in the book store
- Work with classroom services to improve signage for Listen system for classrooms that are enabled (poster with frequency) and promote the Library lending of required parts
 - Possibly create a checklist approach for instructors regards accessibility – wearing a microphone for amplification etc.
Action: Meghan, Earllene and Brian Wright (IT services)
- Collaborate with CTL to add accessibility component and ITL promotion to TA Credentialing series (John Parry is the facilitator)
Action: Meghan, Earllene and Brian Powell (to connect with John Parry)
- Possible connection with Computer Science 360 – web development course, might use ITL as lab to test accessibility of projects
Action: Meghan
- Possible connection with CTL Foundations Series which focuses on instructional best practices in different faculties; added content from inclusivity section on accessibility and technology in the classroom
Action: Meghan and Brian Powell
- Work with Course Unions to host workshops about accessible tech as another way to reach students in a subject specific way – suggest Quantitative Sciences Course Union (qscu.org)
Action: Meghan to connect with incoming president Lauren St.Clair

Discussion regarding ongoing projects and goals for this year:

- Work with IT Services to improve campus approach to assistive technology licensing
Action: Ongoing conversation with Aaron and Sky

 - Purchase ideas:
 - [EquatIO](#) by Texthelp
Action: Meghan to connect with Math instructors to see what they think
 - Roger pen accessories
 - More of the same to replace aging items
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