



SPARC
April 10, 2018
3:00 p.m., UC 202B

Meeting Summary

In Attendance:

Matthew Adeyanju
Charles Bacon
Tony Baker
Jason Bentley
Mike Berghoef
Megan Biller
Paul Blake
Mike Bouthillier
Amy Buse
Terri Cook
Adnan Dakkuri
David Damari
Steve Durst
Dave Eisler
Jodi Gardei
Scott Garrison
Kristi Haik
Dorothy Hart
Sarah Hinkley
Mike Hughes
Arrick Jackson
Leonard Johnson
Beth Logan
Jake Martin
Suzanne Miller
Kristy Motz
David Nicol

Shelly Percy
David Pilgrim
Miles Postema
Piram Prakasam
Joy Pufhal
Steve Reifert
Julie Rowan
Kristen Salomonson
John Schmidt
Larry Schult
Jerry Scoby
Mischelle Stone
Daniel Taylor
Khagendra Thapa
Spence Tower
Deb Tyson
Michael Vasicek
Lisa vonReichbauer
Dan Wanink
Jeanine Ward-Roof
Sue Waters
Trinidy Williams
Lindsay Young
Gregory Zimmerman
Emily Zyla

Guests:

Michelle Rasmussen, Tracy Amalfitano, Lincoln Gibbs, Amy Greene, Jackie Hughes, Alex Manga, Andrew Peterson

Chair Spence Tower called the meeting to order

Reminder of upcoming meetings:

- Summer Retreat – June 21
- Fall 2018:
- September 11

- October 9
- November 13

Chair Tower introduced Christy Motz who will be talking about Open Educational Resources (OER) an alternative approach to textbook costs that can help reduce student debt. Other topics today will be a Strategic Planning update, E-learning education trends and issues and IT trends and issues.

Open Educational Resources

Christy Motz shared statistics and feedback from students on the advantages of the Open Education Resources Project. Not having to purchase a textbook and having access to more materials on a particular subject make this an attractive option for students. An informational poster session will be held on April 24 for anyone wishing to attend.

Strategic Planning Review and Update

Listening sessions have been held to help generate the themes for the work groups. Co-chairs have been put in place and are seeking membership. A review of the mission, vision and values for the University is under way by one of the core groups.

ELearning

Amy Greene gave a presentation on the support available to faculty for on-line learning. A copy of the presentation can be seen [here](#).

IT Trends

Jake Martin shared some new trends in IT with the group. Customer expectations have changed greatly. Some of the projects IT is currently working on for the University are Time Clock Plus, Banner 9, Active Directory Deforestation, and transferring student email to Office 365, to name a few. The full presentation can be viewed [here](#).

Chair Tower adjourned the meeting

Adjourned: 4:45 pm

Next meeting: Retreat, June 21st, WCC, 9 am- 3:30 pm

Submitted by Terri S. Cook