MEETING MINUTES

FACILITIES, SUPPORT SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

December 18th, 2017

1:30-3:00

1270 FAB

PRESENT:

CHAIR: Robert Reynolds (CSC, ENG).

MEMBERS: Stephen Calkins (LAW), Jane Fitzgibbon (COMM, FPCA), Moira Fracassa (STU AFF, EACPHS), Smiti Gupta (NFS, LAS), Kristen Kaszeta (KHS, EDU), Todd Leff (PTH, MED), S. Asli Ozgun-Koca (TED, EDU).

LIAISONS: Michael Samson, AAUP-AFT, Daren Hubbard, Admin.

ABSENT WITH NOTICE: Fayetta Keys (S W), Anne Rothe (CMLLC, LAS), Naida Simon (P.C).

ABSENT: Peter Hook (LIB & INFO SCI), Rayman Mohamed (US, LAS), T.R. Reddy (MIB, MED), Jeffrey Withey (MIB, MED), Heba Elsayed (SS), Harry Wyatt Jr., UPTF, Kimberly Conely, UPTF.

MINUTES:

The presentation was made by Nathan Chavez, Associate Director, Academic Applications, Computing & Information Technology.

He described Canvas and the University’s rollout plans.

Canvas will be replacing Blackboard.

Fall 2017 was for first adopters.

Winter 2018 instructors were allowed to choose between Blackboard and Canvas.

In the Spring/Summer, all new courses will need to be done in Blackboard.

On September 1st, 2018 all courses need to be in Canvas.
Course content will not be deleted at this time.

The rollout may be different from one College to another.

Canvas Graphics User Interface is designed to support interaction and is more consistent with current interfaces.

“Unicheck” replaces “Safe Assign” to do plagiarism detection.

Canvas supports peer reviews, publishing functions, automatic resubmissions.

Deleted content can be restored.

Best performance requires the course to be structured in terms of modules.

It supports speed grading.

Costs slightly more than Blackboard but Blackboard plans to raise rates.

Blackboard support has been reduced. Lack of response to WSU issues is one reason for the change.

The next meeting will be on January 17th from 1:30 to 3:00 in 1270 FAB.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00.

Submitted by:

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Chair FSST
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