Learning and Research Technology Workgroup

Meeting Notes
May 10, 2019
Education, Building 02, Room 024 at 9:10 – 10am

Present: Sean Hurley, Chairperson, CAFES
Cesar Torres Bustamante, CAED
Jennifer Klay, CSM
Patrick O’Sullivan, CTLT
Jeff Nadel, CENG
Jesse Vestermark, Kennedy Library

Alison Robinson, AVP for ITS
Bruno Ribeiro, CLA
Peter Schlosser, CLA, Academic Senate
Gregory Scott, CSM
Kathryn Hammer, ITS
Tonia Malone, CTLT, guest

Absent: Catherine Hillman, CTLT
Andres Martinez, CSM
Patricia McQuaid, OCOB

Scott Hazelwood, CENG
Thomas Gutierrez, Physics Dept

I. Approval of meeting notes from April
Peter Schlosser motioned to approve the notes. Gregory Scott seconds the motion. Approved.

II. Approval of meeting notes from Conversation about LMS, April 26, 2019
Peter motioned to approve the notes. Gregory seconds the motion. Approved.

III. ITS Service Catalog

IV. Shannon Joesting, ITS, returned to share updates about the Service Catalog. Using search history data to inform the work, ITS is providing web content that has proven to be most useful to customers. Previewed the draft new web page for its.calpoly.edu. The new page includes links to the most frequently requested services. Shared that enhancements to the search functions within the ITS webpage will be focused on searching IT services.

Members offered positive feedback about the layout. Faculty would like to see information about what software downloads are available for students, faculty, and staff. Anticipate the new webpage will be rolled out by the end of June 2019.

V. Mobile App Current Status
The project is currently in procurement for Modo and Appsian. It is anticipated that Cal Poly can use a contracting vehicle to procure both software packages are used extensively in the CSU. ITS staff are reviewing the modules that will be available in Modo. A CrowdSource poll will be sent via email to students to ask for their top three modules (in the implementation of modules) to include at release of the new mobile app. ASI sponsored the funding for this project and SC3 lent their support of the project.
VI. Learning Management System (LMS)
Sean Hurley shared updates from campus leadership about the LMS. PolyLearn will be decommissioned by Fall 2020. Several stakeholders recently met with Mary Pedersen, Senior Vice Provost, to discuss the future of LMS at Cal Poly, what is the CSU doing, and timeline.

The Provost is drafting a communication to Faculty about a change to the LMS. Significant support will be provided to Faculty during the transition. Faculty would appreciate having the chance to move sooner rather than later to have time to organize materials. Discussed that a timeline for the change depends on many factors, such as procurement.

A sandbox in Canvas will be available to faculty. Conversation continued about opportunities that are provided by having a sandbox. It was asked if the new LMS could be available for Fall 2019 for new Faculty and lecturers; there may be preference to introduce them to a new system rather than learning Moodle. Alison indicated that this is not likely but will see what is possible.

Conversation continued about providing a positive experience for students during the transition, recognizing the potential for there to be two LMS behind PolyLearn during the transition.

Action Items:
1. Kathryn: send link to ITS webpage with the meeting notes