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Date: August 22, 2013  Time: 1:00 PM

Present: Denise Wilcox; Jerry Kellogg; Paula Crone; Dean Smylie; Gerald Thrush; Frank Spors; Robert Christman; Vincent Finocchio; Quanetta Edwards; Hayes Galitski; Jeremy Brown; Ruth Harris; Amanda Anglin; Frances Chu

Agenda:

- Technology Incubation committee presentation through the Academic Senate by Fadi Khasawneh
  - Strategic Planning Implementation Working Group for Education
  - Technology recommendations for education that are being presented to the President and the Provost for approval
  - The ATP will collaborate with this group to present to the University for approval
  - Could be used for current students or external CME courses
  - The recommendation would carry more weight if it is coming with the approval from the ATP and the committee
- Action item:
  - Discussion board will be posted on ATP SharePoint site to find out if there is anything in particular from the colleges that they would like to see in an incentive program for recommendations for a video or video game, incentives for participation
  - Feedback need from the ATP prior to September 5th
  - Concern that the topic is too broad to open up for discussion among faculty in order to get an accurate response
  - [https://mydocs.westernu.edu/committees/ATP/Lists/Team%20Discussion](https://mydocs.westernu.edu/committees/ATP/Lists/Team%20Discussion)
  - Gerald Thrush- Concern that the faculty was not involved with the implementation of this group, and they should have been included from the start

- Echo Lecture Tools
  - Demo last time, possible replacement for clickers
  - Were there any discussions with the colleges regarding moving towards this solution?
  - Pricing has been received for a site wide license, as well as a student-by-student purchase
    - Student was less than what they pay for clickers now at bookstore
    - Site wide license was $30,000 in addition to what we already pay for Echo Lecture capture and devices
      - Would give us more devices that can be used at a classroom level
      - Ability to set recording time through RES to start and stop a recording at a specific time
      - We are trying to encourage the faculty to post videos and lectures prior to the class in order to help move towards a flipped classroom
      - Students will have the ability to bookmark or comment with each other through the recording process
      - Will there be an app that will have to be downloaded first?
        - No, just use through the smartphone
        - Can it also be used through iPads, laptops, etc.
          - Concerns about signal strength with cell phones
      - Will the $30,000 be a cost that comes out of the colleges?
        - If this is a University wide tool? If so, it will be a University expense
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- In class engagement is the goal for this tool for live streaming
- Access to the link for the demo and vote by next month’s ATP
- Students are accessing a website to get around ExamSoft during the exam to access outside websites while taking the exam
- Updates to A/V
  - LHE & LHW
  - Final stages to completing Bartlett Theater
    - Confidence monitor
    - Haivision
    - Updated Control Panel
    - Camera
    - Lower camera level for eye level recordings
  - Ordered additional web cams and headsets for employee training lab for Camtasia training and Personal Capture
  - Incoming announcement to students for platform diagnostics support to Mac computers
    - Assist them with issues on Mac, vendor support dependent
    - If the vendor supports the software on multiple platforms, we will support on multiple platforms
    - Will not support Boot Camp
  - Windows 8 support
    - We do support Windows 8
    - Still testing before we can roll out to the university
  - Office 2013
    - Soft roll out in Spring, full roll out by next Summer
  - Echo upgrade to version 5.2
    - Added variable speed player to slow down to half speed, or speed up to double speed
    - Posted on Computing Resources site for variable speed playback
    - Also on Teach with Technology website
- Dr. Hubert Chan, College of Dental Medicine, replacing Dr. Tobais Boehm

Meeting Adjourned: 2:00 PM

Minutes Prepared by Gabriel Martinez