



Textbook Affordability Committee

Monday, October 30, 2023 (WebEx)

3:00p.m. to 4:00p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Administration, Faculty & Staff Committee Members in Attendance: Jackie Dynda, Lorraine Felan, Bradley Lipinski, Chris Moir, John Rasel, and Lisa Williams

Faculty and Student Committee Members Not in Attendance: Donald Gabriel (West Campus), and Anne Marie Yunker (Faculty)

Discussion Items:

Recorder: Andrea Hare

- **Welcome**
Lisa Williams and Chris Moir welcomed all to committee meeting.
- **Changes**
Holly Dufala now reports to Dr. Sandra McKnight.
- **Book Store Request for Proposal (RFP)**
On June 30, 2024, our agreement with Barnes & Noble bookstore ends. On October 5, 2023, the Request for Proposal (RFP) went out to multiple experienced, full-service collegiate bookstore management companies interested in submitting proposals to assume responsibility for the operations of the College's existing bookstores and provide related retail services to students, faculty, staff, alumni, and guests under the terms of a contract commencing July 1, 2024. This is part of a competitive procurement process that is designed to serve the best interests of Cuyahoga Community College.
- **Request for Proposal (RFP) Committee**
We currently have 28-30 people serving on the college-wide committee. If anyone in the Textbook Affordability Committee would like to join the RFP Committee, please send your contact information to Chris Moir. The next RFP Committee meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2024.
- **Textbook Cost Savings**
Lisa Williams shared that students have saved \$22 million over the last 14 years through the ongoing efforts of multiple stakeholders in the College. The college-wide savings goal was 24% and the actual savings was 74%. Adopted Open educational resources (OER) has almost tripled in the last several years.
- **Action Items:**
 - Lisa Williams wants committee to think about goals for this academic year.
 - Publisher's Fair dates to be determined.
 - John Rasel recommended capturing contribution of the Library as eBooks also represent a cost savings for students. He offered to connect committee with the librarian who runs their report.
- **Next Meeting:**
 - Chris Moir will send out a calendar poll for future meeting dates.
 - Ohio sends in their report in June.