

TEXTBOOK AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE

Friday, December 8, 2023

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Milner 614A, Conference Room

Agenda

Members Attending:

Guests Attending:

Members Absent:

Call to Order:

Action Items:

1. Determine minute taker – Jallas and Lawless have served so far
2. Review and approve [draft minutes from November meeting](#)
3. Determine January meeting time

Information Items:

1. No update from Academic Senate Chair about student textbook survey presentation timeline
2. Textbook Donation program – not able to meet due to scheduling conflicts. Lawless is attempting to set meeting time.
3. Milner spring eTextbooks rolling out
4. Preview exploring options to integrate more information about textbooks for first time in college students – upcoming meeting with Preview to report on in January

Discussion Items:

1. Conversation with Redbird Spirit Shop about textbooks
 - a. Questions for conversation (jumping off points for discussion):
 - i. What's going well?
 - ii. What are needs for improvement?
 - iii. Store accessibility – how many students are going into the physical store vs. Delivery?
 - iv. What are the opportunities for partnerships related to textbook affordability?
 - v. What are your major channels of communication with students and topics you are covering?
 - vi. Are you receiving textbook adoption information in a timely manner and does this impact student access?
 - vii. Students report delaying textbook purchasing – what impact does this have from your perspective?
 - viii. What is the average cost of textbooks for specific majors/programs?
2. Spring Plans
 - a. Faculty textbook survey
3. Announcements/Miscellaneous: