



Faculty Senate Enrollment and Digital Education Committee

Meeting

Thursday, November 3, 2022, 1:30pm

Louisiana Emerging Technologies Center, Conference Rm 116

Attendees

Members: Erin McKinley (chair), Yejun Wu (co-chair - pending)

Guests: Radhika Krishnadas, Renee Renegar

Minutes

Call to Order – Meeting called to order at 1:33pm.

Roll Call – a committee quorum was not available.

Public Comments on Agenda Items – no guests outside of committee members and invited speakers were present. No public comments to note.

Confirmation of new Committee Co-Chair and Secretary call – this will be moved to the next meeting when we have a quorum to confirm the new co-chair and to decide on who will serve as secretary.

We were also able to confirm that the ad-hoc spot reserved for LSU Online on the committee will be shared by Radhika Krishnadas and Renee Renegar so that at least one person can be at each meeting to represent the entity.

Update from LSU Online - Radhika Krishnadas and Renee Renegar

Radhika handles program launches with departments and Renee handles the transition of a program from on campus to online. Additional teams help with continuing education (non-degree courses and third party training) and with course design (credit and non-credit).

Currently have 18,000+ students served by LSU online across all campuses in the LSU system. This is from true online students to those taking one class or a non-credit training.

Programs with Raising Cane's, Amazon, and LWCC to assist with their employees with continuing education and degree seeking options.

LSU Online has graduated over 4400 students; a majority of students are out of state (60%); enrollment is up across all campuses (BR (~3000), Shreveport (6500), Alexandria (1800), Eunice (329)); biggest drivers on A&M campus are the MBA program, Health Admin, Master of Edu, Social Work, Library and Info Science is growing fast. Expanded the footprint of LSU Online across the US; number 1 in SEC and number 3 in southeast- surprising given how much the other programs market online and on television. Tuition and fees – how are they compared to on campus – they can adjust the cost to the market and competition; they vary from \$482/credit to \$1100/credit hour for graduate; same for all undergraduate

programs \$379/credit hour. On campus UG and online are about \$130 different (online a little higher) per 3-hour course.

Q & A with Committee and Guests

Dr. McKinley asked about programs having both trying to control the numbers in both programs for the sake of the faculty. The departments with both online and on campus options do not seem to be trying to even out programs on both sides for faculty sake or funding sake. The courses are flexible to where if needed an in-person section can be temporarily moved to an online Moodle for the 8 weeks to make it easier on faculty who have both in person and online sections.

Dr. Wu asked about how faculty and staff are able to support the rising numbers of students when many are retiring and not being replaced. LSU online discussed the funding being controlled at the college level.

Discuss initiative to request LSU to stop using Proctor U

Radhika and Renee said that LSU online does not mandate the use of Proctor services; it is up to the departments. The fee bill for students does state that there are extra costs when proctor services are used. There are other vendors, but it is still up to the department to choose the vendor they want to use.

Discussion on recruitment of new members to the committee to fill open positions – this item will be moved to the next meeting when we have more member attendance.

Public comments/ideas for invited speakers for remaining 2022-2023 committee meetings – this item will be moved to the next meeting when we have more member attendance.

Meeting adjourned at 2:14pm.