

Open FSW Committee Minutes

4/17/2020

10:00

Zoom Meeting

Approved 09/18/2020

Chair: Arentia Herren

Attendees: Jennifer Summary, Leslie Bartley, Yadab Paudel, Roz Jester, Anita Rose, Mark Cevallos, Di Xu

1. **Approved minutes of Feb. 2020 meeting** (March meeting cancelled due to need to respond to switch over to virtual learning environment)

2. **Report on OER Petting Zoos**

Professor Herren thanked everyone for their participation at Collier at Lee campus.

Noted that we will plan better for next year's Open Ed Week

Dr. Rose pointed out that Charlotte Petting Zoo was unstaffed and had faculty that wanted to participate. She did help one faculty member in her department get answers to his OER questions.

3. **Update on latest info for tracking OER classes**

Professor Herren shared the document from Dr. Van Gaalen for the two courses the committee is tracking for information about OER and student performance. The document is posted in the committee's Canvas shell. The following data points were discussed:

PSY 2012

- Pell recipients exhibit historically lower success rates than non-Pell recipients over the last 15 terms (dating back to Fall 2012) and this difference is statistically significant. (so a move to OER could exhibit a difference based on this initial data)
- It is too early to determine any differences in success rates following OER adoption. Both Pell recipients and non-Pell recipients exhibit similar success rates in pre/post OER time periods.

CHM 2045

- There is no significant difference in success rates between Pell and non-Pell recipients over the last 15 terms (dating back to Fall 2012).
- Pell recipients exhibit the lowest success rates in 15 terms following partial OER adoption although this is more likely related to increased enrollment. (please let me know which sections did adopt OER for this course and I will provide a follow-up to this study).

Going forward, Dr. Van Gaalen's team will provide an update of this data after every fall/spring term.

It was noted that Prof. Herren needs to get the sections of CHEM 2045 with OER to Dr. VanGalen

Dr. Bartley asked why Pell Grant recipients were targeted, it was discussed that these are a group of students who have demonstrated financial need and who could potentially most benefit from no cost textbooks and previous studies by other institutions have looked at this student group in terms of improved success rates due to OER adoption.

4. Prof. Herren's project as part of the Open Textbook Network's Certificate in OER Librarianship Program

As part of her program in the Open Textbook Network Certificate in OER librarianship, Prof. Herren shared her initial work with the Provost's office to set up mini grants for faculty wanting to move to OER. The long term goal is to create a pathway for a zero materials cost General AA degree at FSW.

Dr. Jester suggested that we work with advising and consult the catalog to see where we stand in terms of courses already offering OER in the common Gen Ed pathways so we can target marketing mini grants to faculty along the pathway where OER is needed. Dr. Rose backed up this idea as well.

Prof. Herren will continue to work on the project and keep the committee informed as things progress.

5. Update on State OER Summit

The State OER Summit in May has been cancelled. Options for virtual or in person summit opportunities are being looked at for Fall semester. Prof. Herren will keep the committee in the loop as she hears from Rebel Cummings at FASLC/FLVC.

6. FSW and allied partner membership in the Open Textbook Network

Prof. Herren shared that in consultation with Dr. Page and Dr. McClinton, FSW has purchased an allied institution membership into the Open Textbook Network for \$500/year. This will allow FSW some unique professional development opportunities as well as potential platforms and support for faculty creating OER. The list of benefits will be posted in the committee's Canvas shell.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:35