

Regional TLTR meeting notes 03/12/2020

Members Present: Kaia Henrickson, Susie Feero, Kimberly Matsuura, Cody Bennett, John Ingman, Paulette Schirmer, and Kasia Polanska.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved

Cody requested the TLTR drop the current agenda in favor of discussing how we can help address the very real possibility all courses will need to be taught remotely for the remainder of the semester. The group agreed and developed the attached recommendations memo sent to Faculty Senate and the Provost.

Kaia shared some resources the regional instructional design group had started to develop, including a list of faculty willing to volunteer as mentors. The list is available on Google Drive.

Our next meeting is scheduled for 11 am on April 16, 2020

Date: March 12, 2020
To: Karen Carey and Faculty Senate
From: Regional TLTR
Kimberly Matsuura and Susie Feero, co-chairs
Re: Regional TLTR Remote Teaching Recommendations

UAS already has a very robust distance teaching environment: over 50% of courses are taught online. For many, remote teaching will be second nature. These faculty who are versed with online tools may be great resources for those who are new in navigating remote teaching.

The CELT team has created a peer-assistance [UAS Community Mentors](#) document intended to help our staff and faculty find and provide support to colleagues. We request all those interested in being or finding a mentor use this resource as needed.

Please consider adopting and distributing the following recommendations to all UAS faculty.

TLTR Remote Teaching Recommendation

The regional TLTR recommends that academic departments and faculty chair-persons actively reach out to faculty who teach face to face to provide resources to assist them in teaching remotely ***prior to*** an institutional need arising.

Remote teaching should be considered a temporary solution to assist with [Social Distancing recommended by the CDC](#).

Remember that some students will not be able to transition to remote learning easily.

[Resources for Faculty for Remote Teaching](#) (CELT Google Folder)

TLTR Teaching Tool Recommendation

Those who are not yet familiar with teaching in a remote modality **should use tools integrated within course sites** including assignments, discussions, and conferencing tools such as Blackboard Collaborate Ultra.

These tools have support documentation for students as well as faculty. During a time of increased pressures having access to these support resources are paramount.

TLTR Zoom Recommendation

Zoom is available for faculty use for meetings and office hours.

Zoom is not encouraged for instructional use within courses as it has not been integrated within UAS's Blackboard environment due to some of the following concerns:

- recording management (recordings expire after 365 days)
- co-instructor management challenges (co-instruction does not empower the alternate faculty member to edit zoom course meeting resources)
- potential FERPA concerns with how access to recordings are furnished through Zoom's cloud recording links

If you have chosen to use Zoom in your course, please be aware that you are responsible for appropriate FERPA compliance.