



Meeting Name: **eLearning Committee**

Date & Time: **December 10, 2018 3:00PM**

Campus & Room #: **EGF 301, TRF 662, Virtual**

Minutes

Present: Tina, Karleen, Linnea, Dorinda, Mary F.

Topic	Responsible Party	Discussion/Outcome
Call to order		
1. Review Minutes & Agenda	Tina	Nov. minutes approved.
2. Kurzweil	Linnea	Linnea provided a demonstration of Kurzweil. This reads text out loud to students. Beneficial for those with disability, students with non-native language of English, blind students. Has shown benefits in research. Can take audio file from text and listen to it on MP3 player – portable! Better than normal screen reader. Can set pace, tone, tracking, etc. Is also math assistance. Has options for language translation, picture dictionaries specifically for ELL students. Kurzweil can change docs to dyslexic font as well as magnify docs. Phenomenal assistance for reading a paper out loud – they often hear their own mistakes then- and includes word prediction, graphic organizers, split screen. Can highlight text in different colors when listening; can then extract word list of different colors and insert into Quizlet. Cost: 10 licenses for \$2000, or site wide license for \$4000. We now have the site wide license.
3. ReadSpeaker Text Aid	Tina	Informational/demo sessions on ReadSpeaker Text Aid December 11 th (2:15-3:30 PM) Adobe Connect https://webmeeting.minnstate.edu/rsta December 13 th (10-11:50 AM) Adobe Connect https://webmeeting.minnstate.edu/rsta (duplicate sessions, choose one) “TextAid is integrated with D2L Brightspace and will read-aloud all D2L tools including quiz questions , announcements, and assignment instructions” from Lesley Blicher’s email. ReadSpeaker for D2L Brightspace
4. Virtual Backpack and D2L Orientation and FYEC		Update? Mike was going to bring this to the Deans and Brian to see of possibility of utilizing this. Will get update next time.

5. CATT Update		November 13 and December 4 meetings. Dorinda gave highlights of a few notes she took from these meetings.
6. Closed Caption Project	Tina	Update? Met this morning: still working on process. Need a person to look at requests and forward them to appropriate person/vendor, etc.
7. Spring semester meetings	Tina	Doodle poll to find the best meeting time this spring – please fill it out as soon as you’re able. Its really long – sorry about that, but I want to be sure we can find the best time to allow as many as possible to attend. The poll has January 14-18 dates but please fill it out for your available times for the second or third week of each month.
8. Other Items?	Mary F	E-services web page changes we talked about last time: Stacy sent it to Chad. He will try make changes by end of Jan.
9. Adjourn @ 3:50p		

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