

LMIS Meeting November 21, 2011

Members Present: Jane Carlin, Alyce DeMarais, Pierre Ly, Gerard Morris, Jason Sawin, William Morse, Cindy Riche

Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

There will be a Faculty Senate report on the intellectual property draft policy today. Katherine Davis, Associate VP for Treasury, sent the draft to university counsel for review.

Jane Carlin reports a group (Jane Carlin, Cindy Riche, William Morse, Barbara Racine, John Hickey, Cassandra Palmore and Lori Ricigliano) met on university copyright issues. The university has distributed approval and compliance approach today. As we look at PrintGreen and course packs, plus the changing issues of law, we may want to look at a copyright clearance center. This would put us on firmer ground and make the creation of class content easier.

However, it would not cover everything.

The cost for the service is about \$21,000.00.

There may be savings in other areas to cover the expense such as projected savings created through print management.

The group asked John Hickey, Associate Vice President of Business Services, who heads the university risk management efforts to evaluate the risks and check from NWS.

However, the company we are looking at and the only one in the market who provides this type of service is funding lawsuits which aim to restrict fair use.

That all said, the legal ground is changing. Being proactive might be the best practice choice.

If a document is on the Internet, you can link to it. There are no copyright implications when documents are linked in.

There a lot of questions. Maybe we could have a symposium? Maybe a survey of articles used?

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Next meeting is, next semester. Expect a PrintGreen update then.