

QUEENS COLLEGE  
ACADEMIC SENATE  
TECHNOLOGY AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE

**Meeting Date: October 29, 2008**

**Attendance**

Members: E. Fernández, C. Vickery, and K. Popkin.

Ex Officio: J. Barnes (OCT), K. Lord, and R. Shaddy.

**Call To Order, Approval Of Agenda, & Approval Of Previous Minutes**

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:20 pm in the Chief Librarian's conference room; minutes of the meeting of September 10, 2008 were approved.

**Announcements**

None.

**Committee Reports**

**Library:** R. Shaddy distributed the attached report covering the library's master plan, additional hours, the fall book sale, an exhibit in the Barham Rotunda, and the iSkills test.

**Educational Technology:** K. Lord reported on the need for OCT and the Library to coordinate the services they provide; both R. Shaddy and J. Barnes agreed. Barnes cited the need for funding; Shaddy indicated the Library's readiness to shed secondary services, such as photocopying. *Pharos* is a transaction management service that can control any paper/ink/microfiche system, and can be extended to café purchases, and other sorts of transactions.

Ed-Tech Day "went very well." The transition to Blackboard 8 is moving along with some test accounts already in place; it is incompatible with podcasting, for now. Boone Gorges is the new Educational Technologist, serving on a substitute HEO line; a search for a permanent position will follow.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

The committee discussed guideline recommendations for online courses of various types. This topic will be taken up again at our next meeting.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christopher Vickery  
Recording Secretary