

Learning Environment Committee (LEC)
Annual Report to Faculty Senate 2022-2023

Committee Members and Meetings Attendance:

The following is a list of committee members, meeting dates, and attendance therein.

Senate Members	01/20	02/13	04/13
Adams, Callie (CAS/BGE)	x		
Cooper, Kody (CAS/PSPS)	x	x	
Ford, Kevin (CAS/MUS)	x		
Guinn, Cherry (CHEPS/NURS)	x		
Guy, Matthew (CAS/ENGL)			
Horne, Chris (CAS/PSPS) – Sabbatical			
Iles, Gale (CAS/SCJS)	x	x	x
Jain, Hemant (RCOB/BGP) – Sabbatical			
McDonell, Emma (CAS/SCJS)		x	
Miller, Tonya (CHEPS/IARC)	x		
Neely, Andrea (RCOB/MGT)	x	x	x
Nelson, Kelli (CAS/HIST)			
Rogers, Brian (Chair, LIB/IT)	x	x	x
Sisworahardjo, Nur (CECS/ENEE)	x		x
Schmidt, Charlene (CHEPS/HHP) – Sabbatical			
Stein, Benjamin (CAS/PHYS/CHEM)	x		
Wang, Xiunan (CECS/MATH)			
Ex Officio Members	01/20	02/13	04/13
Bryan, Victoria (Walker Center for Teaching and Learning)	x		
Carroll, Troy (Walker Center for Teaching and Learning)	x	x	x
Dragoo, Rebecca (Registrar)	x	x	x
Ingraham, Lauren (Provost's Office)	x	x	x
Liedtka, Theresa (Library)			x
Rigler, Michelle (Disability Resource Center)	x		
Scott, Michael (Information Technology)	x	x	x

Charge and Responsibilities:

The establishment of this advisory committee ensures that faculty input is given at the early stages of discussions on academic matters affecting faculty, students, and the learning environment at UTC, in relation to the best design requirements needed for students to achieve learning outcomes:

The Committee shall make recommendations to the Faculty Senate on matters including, but not limited to the teaching and learning environment, course design, room design, and course/classroom technology.

The Committee shall provide multiple channels of communication among the Faculty Senate, faculty-at-large, Administration, relevant staff units, and Student Government association on matters affecting the learning environment at UTC.

The Committee shall serve as an advisory resource to the Chancellor, Provost and Faculty Senate on matters related to the learning environment at UTC.

Summary of Activity:

The following is a summary of committee activities across three meetings held during the year –

- Solicited and discussed updates from ex officio departments on a host of classroom-related topics:
 - Disability Resource Center
 - Information Technology
 - Provost's Office
 - Registrar
 - Walker Center for Teaching and Learning
- Solicited and discussed input and concerns from faculty on a host of classroom-related topics:
 - Furniture issues
 - Hardware issues
 - Software issues
 - Physical vs. online concerns
 - Room scheduling barriers
 - Training barriers
 - Reporting barriers
 - Budgetary barriers
- Smaller, resolvable issues brought to light in the meeting were often followed up on by ex officio members to solve as action items after the meeting.