

Faculty Advisory Committee on Technology (FACT)

Minutes

Tuesday, April 7, 2025

11:00am – 12:15pm

<https://csulb.zoom.us/j/84555944313>

Meeting ID: 845 5594 4313

Attending: Greg Gaynor, Teresa Chen, Renaud Berlemont, Debbie Huang, Randall McKean,
Emily Berquist, Marvin Mayo, Alexis Pavenick
Secretary: Alexis Pavenick

- 1) Call to order and approval of Agenda 04/07/2026 M/S/P
- 2) Approval of Minutes from meeting 02/03/2026 M/S/P
- 3) Announcements:
 - a) Invitation to share latest AI news, local, national, global
 - i) Alexis Pavenick shared [new robotics](#) and a [tech blog comments](#) on robotic development. The blog highlights that the largest client for robotics is currently academia for use in experimentation.
- 4) New Business: None
- 5) Old Business:
 - a) Tabled
 - i) Alexis: Is Adobe Reader or Acrobat able to be put on classroom computers so that faculty do not have to sign-in/out of Adobe Cloud during each class?
 - (1) Discussion ensued. Over the next month, consider personal and colleagues' workflows regarding Adobe Acrobat/Reader usage, and report back on needs and issues (especially regarding sign-in/seats and classroom/reference desk use) before the next meeting.
 - (2) Matt will investigate and report back on the possibility of obtaining data on how often faculty sign into classroom computers (versus using their own laptops), in coordination with the Azure team
 - b) Current progress of Working Group (WG) on Data Security
 - i) The group will meet on April 9 to compare their research
 - ii) Tabled: Bryon Jackson, Matt, IT team will look up the specific Microsoft Defender pop-up experienced by Steve, determine its origin (Jamf/college/central IT), and report back on findings.
 - c) Alexis Pavenick & Shariq Ahmed: Comments or reports, if available, about AI updates on campus
 - i) Alexis and Marvin promoted the CSULB [MetaVerse conference](#) on April 17, 2026.

- ii) Beyond the Bot AI & Ethics micro-credential will launch this week; three modules:
 - (a) History of AI
 - (b) Ethical AI usage
 - (c) CSU guidelines
- (2) Promotion via Canvas announcements and other channels
- (3) Digital badges offered to first 250 participants (faculty, staff, students)
- (4) Program aligns with industry demand for AI specialization
- (5) Emphasis on understanding AI implementation across different fields
- iii) Faculty concerns about AI use in composition classrooms discussed
 - (1) Composition faculty proposed right to refuse AI use
 - (2) Some colleges (e.g., Engineering, Education) developing AI policies
 - (3) Need to consider California state AI policies and future CSU requirements
 - (4) Recommendation to research California State AI policy information
 - (5) Importance of considering diverse student backgrounds in AI use

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