Committee on Course Materials Affordability – Annual Report 2020-2021

Committee Members:

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Accomplishments:

- Created and conducted a survey of Longwood faculty concerning their use of and interest in low/no cost course materials. The survey had 26 respondents.
- Began follow-up with faculty members who responded to the survey to gather more information about their experience switching to low-cost materials and what materials they are interested in exploring low-cost options for. This information was compiled and sent to the library to begin exploring alternative course materials available for faculty.
- Established a process for survey and follow-up each Fall and Spring semester to continually gather information and meet with faculty to meet their course needs using low-cost materials.

On-going Business:

• Based on the survey follow-up, the committee is continuing to work with interested faculty members in finding low-cost materials that fit theirs needs for their courses.