

CJC Technology Meeting
Thursday, 9/10/2020

Meeting called to order at 1:02

What to do in case of a zoom outage?

- Use alternate platform
 1. Blue Jeans <https://www.bluejeans.com/products/meetings>
 - a. Owned by Verizon as a Zoom competitor
 - b. There is a companion app to the web platform.
 - c. Has a URL that will remain valid through a semester:
<https://www.bluejeans.com/blog/using-personal-meeting-ids-in-bluejeans>
 2. Google Meets. <https://cloud.it.ufl.edu/collaboration-tools/g-suite/>
 - a. UF has partnership with Google.
 - b. Free for anyone with a UFL email account
 - c. 100 participant limit
 3. Microsoft Teams <https://it.ufl.edu/teams/>
 - a. Has partnership with UF.
 - b. Free for anyone with a UFL account

What to do in case of an internet outage?

- Could utilize hot spot from your cell phone
- Could utilize regular cell service and data
- Download Canvas and Zoom to your phone.
 1. Zoom app differences: No grid view, can retain hosting privileges
 2. Canvas app differences: No grading allowed, limited functionality. Can make announcements and respond to discussions.
- Utilize platforms that require less data (text based): slack, discord, canvas. Likely want to avoid video solutions in these circumstances.

Would be helpful if faculty had a contingency plan when/if zoom or internet outages occur. Think strategically about your back up plans in advance and then communicate those plans in advance. When event occurs, there will be less scrambling and a smoother transition in real time.

Contingency plans could be published in syllabus, introductory email or course welcome.

Additional things instructors should consider related to technology:

1. Broadband internet is not accessible in some rural communities.
2. Cell phone service might be spotty in many places.
3. International students or students abroad might be subject to internet censorship.

Adjourned 1:29

Attendance: Harrison Hove (chair), Yu-Hao Lee, Mark Leeps, Joshua Merrill, Jay Hmielowski, Benjamin Johnson, Brian Krieger