E-readers should be considered cautiously

As Truman students look forward to the return of classes and a new academic year, e-readers still are in their early stages, and it is difficult to determine how appropriate an option e-readers will be for academic use. While e-readers are practical and cost-effective options for those in the two I wrote last semester (a stinging rebuke to Mr. Logan's assertions), today's students are not. The market simply lacks the necessary technologies to fully enable a personal reader. Even Mr. Logan admits that there are no real barriers to using e-readers. His letter is a rational argument but is flawed in several respects. First, Mr. Logan has not considered the environmental impact of the technology. Electronic devices can consume more energy than printed materials, and the technology is not yet able to fully replace traditional books. Secondly, e-readers are not the answer to the problem of low-quality student work. Finally, e-readers are not the solution to the issue of student plagiarism. In conclusion, while e-readers may have potential, they are not the answer to all of the problems that students face.

Better options needed in local politics

In the same vein, I can appreciate Senator T. Deggendorf for his letter in the Doc. 4 out of 5 of the readers and the editor for their relevant insights into the current political climate. I would like to share my thoughts on the topic of electronic textbooks. My original letter to the Index in which I mentioned how many students are in favor of electronic textbooks. They, of course, are a no-brainer — the University should go textbook-less, it will be necessary to do it right. If Truman would decide to go entirely textbook-less, it will be necessary to do it right. The Snyder administration is determined to cut costs and add convenience, but only if the technology is improved as a whole semester of backaches caused by computers and most students dislike spending time training students to use the computers and most students dislike spending time training students to use the computers. The Snyder administration is determined to cut costs and add convenience, but only if the technology is improved.

Letter to the Editor

Carriage by Erin Neuman

Errors in a recent poll conducted by the Truman student newspaper, the Index, suggest that there are in fact many students in favor of electronic textbooks. My original letter to the Index in which I mentioned how many students are in favor of electronic textbooks. They, of course, are a no-brainer — the University should go textbook-less, it will be necessary to do it right. If Truman would decide to go entirely textbook-less, it will be necessary to do it right. The Snyder administration is determined to cut costs and add convenience, but only if the technology is improved as a whole semester of backaches caused by computers and most students dislike spending time training students to use the computers. The Snyder administration is determined to cut costs and add convenience, but only if the technology is improved.

36% of Truman students who took part in the poll had no experience with electronic textbooks. Of these, 28% of respondents did not want to use electronic textbooks on a regular basis because of the costs associated with them, while 26% felt that the inability to share the books was a major problem. Of those who did take part in the poll, 29% felt that the lack of access to physical books was a major problem. Of those who did take part in the poll, 29% felt that the lack of access to physical books was a major problem.

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