

DLC MEETING – 9 OCTOBER 2008

Called to Order – 10:10 by Fedro

Review of Agenda - Zazueta

Approval of Minutes - Zazueta (tabled)

Attending: Fedro Zazueta, Doug Johnson, Randy Graff, Linda Butson, Ron Thomas, Kris Kirmse, Ken Nanni, Susan White Tawnya Means, Marilyn Roberts, Darral Brown, Mary Edwards.

2008-2009 Priorities

Classroom response system used for in-place participants to record votes. A worksheet list was distributed to remote participants. Questions were addressed to clarify the items on the list before prioritizing.

Results (not yet including remote feedback)

I. Pedagogy

- A. best practices discussions
- B. how to improve faculty pedagogical knowledge/skills
- C. sharing specific, precise assessment rubrics
- D. Extend Provost Initiative faculty training across campus
- E. How programs manage group work online
- F. Student interaction
- G. Randy will send results from an HSC survey on faculty development to DLC

II. Academic Integrity

III. Faculty credit for online courses / Secure testing and authentication

IV. Program reports / Integrating campus tools

Updates

- Frazier will try to attend November DLC meeting
- Frazier has re-established ITAC
- Kyle Cavanugh has appointed an IT Planning Committee
 - 3-month timeline for recommendations re. Improving academic technology at UF
- CMS Review committee
 - First meeting last week
 - Marilyn Roberts has agreed to Chair
 - Roberts reported “robust discussion” and focus of committee on faculty needs/usability as well as “deal breaker” features/functions necessary for success at UF
 - Unofficial goal: Recommendation by end of March 2009.
- Issue of some professional schools in HSC (e.g. Medicine, Dentistry) recognizing online courses as pre-requisites for their programs. This has implication for student participation in Provost Initiative courses. This apparently reflects a long-standing perception that online

courses are not equivalent to F2F courses. Temporary resolution is for affected courses to be delivered in hybrid mode to avoid “online” stigma. Programs with such restrictions encouraged to address this with accrediting bodies.

- ELS maintenance this last weekend has dramatically reduced, though not entirely eliminated the problem this term of runaway Java processes killing servers. Question about failed chat sessions: Hopefully this maintenance will improve that.

Program Reports

- Kris - DCE is still maintaining the distance learning web site. Please make sure your program information is up to date.
- Randy - HSC
 - CMS eval group is looking to have faculty focus groups to enhance faculty input to review process
 - TIAC is examining issues of encouraging faculty adoption
 - College of Medicine is building out lecture capture capabilities
- Linda - HSC library upgraded student-available technologies and collaborations facilities.
- Tawnya – Business is evaluating Quality Matters [<http://www.qualitymatters.org/>]. Going through accreditation. Evaluating current use of LecturePro and production of iPod compatible files for students
- Susan – Also going through accreditation process. Adopted a new lecture recording system moving away from Digiscript; now using Audacity and Articulate for ability to edit presentation files. Also allow creation of MP3 files.
- Ron – Fixing problems with video control room; equipment is outdated which is resulting in problems. CALS is on verge of launching website/database inventory for distance and off-campus courses taught at RECs. This will enable students and faculty better access to information about offerings and media of delivery. Targeting Spring release.
- Marilyn – Journalism is gearing up to begin distance education. Survey of full-time faculty (90% response rate) to help inform planning of philosophical issues, motivators, and inhibitors.
- Ken – HCRM
 - Finding students are much more interested in mobile learning opportunities, especially MP3 files. This is also true of older cohorts.
 - Also recommends involvement in FDLC [<http://www.fldlc.org/>] as opportunity for collaboration and learning from colleagues who are “farther down the road” than UF may be in distance education
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Next Meeting: 13 November 2008

- Tentative time: 10:00 – 11:30
- Send agenda requests to Marie Willey (willey@ufl.edu)

Adjournment: 11:07

- Minutes and presentations online at <http://www.at.ufl.edu/dlc/>