

TLTC Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 08, 2004
2:00PM – 4:00PM
Videoconference

Present:

Board Members:

Sharon Pitt (NCSU), *Chair*
Steven J. Breiner (ASU)
Chris Weaver (ECU)
Kimberly Stevenson (ECSU)
John Brooks (FSU)
Brenda Shaw (NCCU)
Anthony Ianno (UNCA)
Garvey Pyke (proxy for Sallie Ives) (UNCC)
Kathy Thomas (UNC-CH)
Ray Purdom (UNCG)
Beverly Vagnerini (UNCW)
Dixie Lawson, Traci Settlemyer (WCU)
Betsy Brown (OP-AA)

Ex-Officio Board Members:

TLTC Staff:

Frank Prochaska (UNC-TLTC)
Hilarie Nickerson (UNC-TLTC)

Board Member Emeritus:

Henry Schaffer

Absent:

Scott Simkins (NCAT)
Jill Lane (NCSA)
Maurice C. Mitchell (UNCP)
Forrest McFeeters (proxy for Glen Holmes) (WSSU)
Andrea Eastman-Mullins (UNC-TLTC)
Laura Rogers (UNC-TLTC)
Jo Ann Pearson (OP-Alliance)
Mary Reichel (ULAC)
Yogi Kakad (Faculty Assembly)

Guests:

Linda Carl (UNC e-Learning Council)

Welcome and Roll Call

- Sharon Pitt called the meeting to order at 2:00pm

Approve Minutes of August 26 meeting

- Minutes approved as submitted

e-Learning Council Faculty Issues Subcommittee

- Sub group has had its first organizational meeting and has begun to identify broad topics. Will meet with Faculty Assembly on October 1.
 - Linda Carl reported:
 - Council identified specific issues that are most appropriately addressed by system-wide committees:
 - Tuition and Fees
 - Multi-campus Programs
 - Infrastructure and Standards
 - Faculty Support (Betsy and Frank serving as staff liaisons)
 - Charge
 - Recognition and rewards, compensation
 - Workload
 - Varies by campus and school
 - Development issues
 - TLTC can be helpful in this area
 - Ownership issues
 - OP Legal Council can help inform
 - Assessment
 - Large issue
 - Support
 - The Board will continue to hear from, and work with this workgroup

Executive Director Report (Frank)

- Campus visits
 - Collaborative staff is scheduling campus visits for this year; everyone should have received an email from Hilarie or Andrea.
- Call for proposals for the TLT Conference was released yesterday; the conference web site is open and accepting proposals
 - Frank reminded the Board members that they need to disseminate the call
 - Faculty Assembly is also distributing information
- VISTA project
 - The meeting with WebCT has not been scheduled yet; a meeting will likely take place in the next couple of weeks
- Elluminate LMS
 - Proceeding with a pilot license as approved by the Board last meeting
 - Frank will send notice to Board members to invite individual campuses to participate w/\$2500 license
- Collaborative has been using state calling card when holding conference calls

- Charges 9 cents/minute, so we are looking for other options
- Frank asked for the opinion of Board members regarding if they would consider using desktop phones for Board conference calls
 - The Board agreed that using individual desk phones for Board calls is acceptable
- Next Board meeting Wednesday, October 13, 10-3 at GA Board Room

Committee Reports

- POC Committee
 - Henry reported that the committee has not held any discussions since the last face-to-face meeting
- Finance Committee (Brenda)
 - Met by phone last week
 - Decided against presenting a draft budget to the Board until more details are known about the conference budget and any possible reversions
 - Draft budget will be presented at October meeting
 - Current budget reflects a 1% reduction
- Bylaws
 - Board members should make suggestions to the by-laws committee regarding areas that need to be examined
 - Mitch will add POC to by-laws
- Planning and Assessment
 - Steve sent the beginnings of a letter that will eventually be sent to OP requesting continuance of the TLTC
 - Committee will meet in the next week to discuss issues in the strategic plan that need to be addressed
- ULAC
 - Mary is stepping down as ULAC rep; another will be named in her place

MERLOT Plan (Hilarie)

- Hilarie received a few comments and will incorporate them into the document. Hilarie is working with regional representatives
 - Plan basics
 - Interested in how learning objects can support instruction on campuses
 - Also potential for peer review
 - Gain momentum during the course of the year, to build community
 - Regional meetings
 - Capstone meeting at TLT Conference
 - Will use Elluminate to facilitate education process
 - Campus teams
 - IT staff
 - Library staff
 - Teaching faculty
 - Hilarie will ask for names of teams to attend first face to face event
 - Hilarie asked for suggestions regarding timing of the first meeting

- Concurrent meetings at eastern and western parts of the state
- Goal is to support campus teams in making plans
 - Overview of initiative
 - Talk about resources
 - Pilot workshop that can be replicated at campuses
 - Support MERLOT provides
 - Discuss planning processes
- The Board suggested that late October is good timing for the first meeting
- Chris suggested that we remember to make connections between this and the large enrollment course redesign project

Blackboard System-wide Content Management System (CMS) Proposal (Frank)

- Karianne Naughton contacted Frank regarding a possible partnership to explore a system-wide implementation of the Bb Content System
 - UNC would work with Blackboard to develop Bb content management system to be a system-wide repository
 - If we want to consider this, then we should also have discussion with WebCT to consider a similar arrangement.
 - One possible scenario
 - Videoconference at which Bb could present CMS for all campuses
 - Bb could be at UNC-CAUSE for further discussion
 - Another session could be at EDUCAUSE
 - After EDUCAUSE we could decide among ourselves if this project has merit
 - Frank stressed that we'd be a partner to help defray the cost of implementation.
 - If we move forward, need to make sure we have metrics and make sure that we commit appropriate resources to make it a success
 - Some campuses have plans to implement Luminis (the Pipeline campuses)
 - Another possibility would include other models in addition to the central repositories
 - The Collaborative could give Bb a list of questions that includes requirements in terms of functionality and technical requirements
 - Need to make sure we understand the benefit to know it will be worth the effort
 - Many issues to be thought through
 - The Board agreed to schedule a video conference sometime during the next two or three weeks to develop a list of questions to give to Bb for their response.

New Business

- No new business

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:25