Distance Education Committee

MEETING SUMMARY - Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2009

Committee Members Present or participating via email: Martha Tilmann (C), Laura Demsetz, Madeleine Murphy, and David McLain.

Missing: Rosemary Nurre, Laura Skaff, C. Loprete

- Review of Day's Agenda DONE
- Review of Previous e-Meeting's Summary DONE
- Agenda Items
 - Comments or changes to the Spring "To-do" list? (Attachment)

A few changes to the original list were made and are incorporated into the list (table) shown below.

 Self-select tasks where you will be the "Point Person" (Put your name in the appropriate column in the attachment.)

See "Point Person" column in the table below.

- Mode-specific SLOs Revisited the following two SLO were approved by the committee and should be added to the previous three SLOs.
 - SLO 4 Students will demonstrate appropriate webbased communications and use of social networking tools.
 - SLO 5 Students will effectively navigate the course website, including such activities as file uploads and downloads, email, and test taking.

Announcements

DEAC is working on integrating the web site at the District level, to make a much stronger DE gateway, integrating course offerings, (hopefully) registration, counseling info, etc. It makes no sense to compete with our sister colleges. Rather than have each college field a complete AA curriculum, work across the district, to manage an AA/AS online.



This has implications for our priorities, of course. It may be less important, for instance, to maintain the English online (for example) than to find people to teach some unrepresented course. There are quite a few online English courses in the District. We can't be too territorial about it,

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#	TASK from DEC Strategic Plan	Goa	Point Person	DATE
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1	Develop questions (5) for online student survey	1		2/2010
2	Reassess how we align with District growth goals	1		4/2010
3	Determine Staffing needs	1	Martha	3/2010
4	Determine optimal administrative structure	1	Martha	3/2010
5	Collect data of newly added/deleted DE courses	2	PRIE / Laura	2/2010
6	Review #5 data	2	DEC - together	2/2010
7	Review Website	3	David	2/2010
8	Move "Best Practices" document through the approval process	3	Martha (to VPI)	1/2010
9	Organize "Brown Bag" for OL faculty (2 per semester?)	3 / 5	*Madeleine	3/2010
10	Administer a survey of DE students	3		2/2010
11	Move documents through the approval process		Martha	2/2010
	 a. Best Practices (see #8 above) b. SLOs c. DE Definitions d. Evaluation Guidelines (to Harry only) e. CSM Teaching Online Policy f. Classroom Visitation Policy g. Regular Effective Contact Policy 		(to VPI) Martha (to AS Pres.)	
12	Assess what other forms should be reworded to fit DE mode a. Review Distance Education Supplementary Information form	4	Laura / COI	2/2010



13	Introduce a "list serve" for OL faculty	5		4/2010
#	TASK-list from Madeline's Input		Point Person	
1	List of all ONLINE instructors (for email distribution list)		*Madeleine	2/2010
2	Send survey to all DE instructors asking for their five biggest difficulties teaching online		*Madeleine	
3	Organize a get-together of current and past STOT participants			1/2010
4	Create guidelines ("rules") for how instructors might handle incoming students (automatic letter to welcome etc.)			3/2010
5	Choose a single platform		DEAC (Madeline)	??
6	Organize Evaluation Procedure		Madeline	4/2010
7	Handout for deans on how to deal with ONLINE instructors.		Committee	4/2010
8	What holes exist in our current curriculum (especially now that tele-courses will no longer be supported)?		Laura	3/2010

Agenda for Next Meeting Date of Next Meeting: Agenda TBA, next ONLINE meeting Feb. 9^{th}

