TLTC Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 22, 2007
UNC General Administration Board Room
10:00am – 2:30pm

AGENDA

Present:

Board Members:
Ray Purdom (UNCG), Chair
Scott Simkins (NCAT)
John Myers (UNCA)
Kathy Kyzer (UNC-CH)
Robert Orr (WCU)
Geri Vital (NCCU)
Chris Weaver (ECU)
Mark Sivy (UNCC)
Maurice C. Mitchell (UNCP)
John Brooks (FSU)
Forrest McFeeters (WSSU)
Kimberly Stevenson (ECSU)
James Sadler (UNC Division of AA)
Henry Schaffer (NCSU, proxy for
Donna Petherbridge)

TLTC Staff:
Frank Prochaska (UNC-TLTC)
Hilarie Nickerson (UNC-TLTC)
Lori Mathis (UNC-TLTC)
Faith Dabney (UNC-TLTC)

Absent:
Steve J. Breiner (ASU)
Beverly Vagnerini (UNCW)
Bob King (NCSA)
Laura Rogers (UNC-TLTC)
Yogi Kakad (Faculty Assembly)
Jo Ann Pearson (Alliance)

Ray Purdom called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.

The minutes of the April 11 videoconference were approved.

Executive Director Report
Review of Conference Budget
- Frank distributed a summary of the 2007 Conference budget expenditures.
- Came in a little under budget, food being the biggest overage due to increase in food prices at Hilton
- Next year we may not be able to hire YCC for all of their conference services, may only ask for certain services.
- Will be at same hotel next year
- The Conference must be completely receipts supported next year

Review of 2006-07 Operating Budget Expenditures
- Frank distributed a summary of 2006-07 operating budget expenditures.
- Next year we are losing $90,000 from the $200,000 operating budget, so an operating budget of approximately $110,000 is anticipated.

Vista Project
- As discussed last time UNCC, Western and UNCW are moving as a group to Bb ASP hosting
- Lori is working with those campuses on the migration
- Looks like we're on track for successful migration for each campus

Distance Learning Alliance Conference
- Frank will be attending the conference in Asheville this week; it is the NCCCS version of our UNC TLT Conference.

Appointment of Nominating Committee (Ray)
- Steve Breiner (need to confirm as he was not present)
- Bob Orr
- Chris Weaver

Select Meeting Dates for Next Year (Ray)
- Thursday and Tuesday suggested
- Tuesday is selected day; Frank will confirm suggested dates

Discussion of the TLTC in 2007-08 and Beyond (Ray, Frank)
The Board discussed ways the TLTC can promote effective teaching and learning on the campuses (and retain an appropriate "grassroots" focus), in addition to meeting GA's expectations for leading and supporting several system wide TLT projects.

Vendor-Suggested Possible Pilots: HorizonWimba and Sonic Foundry (Frank)
    Sonic Foundry
- Offering 6-12 month UNC pilot to be hosted on their equipment at MCNC
- Provide onsite training and support
- Board requested to have presentation by NCSU at our June meeting on how/why they use the product
- Faith will survey campuses on what the campuses may be using now
- We need to look at the pedagogy of the product

    HorizonWimba
- Horizon Wimba is also offering a pilot project for next year.
- Faith will check into what Live Classroom offers – what's new, etc.—and will get additional information from Horizon Wimba.

Update on The University of North Carolina Online (Jim)
- The URL is: online.northcarolina.edu
- Roll out to be in newspapers, etc. to advertise the website
- Wednesday, May 30, 2-4pm videoconference to discuss roll out in more depth

- Marketing has begun: banner adds on Yahoo and Monster targeted to appropriate audience
- NSSE Report (Nov. 2006): Online learning results came out very positive

Update on Online Quality Workgroup (Frank)
- All 16 campuses have contributed campus information that has been posted in a wiki.
- Faculty Assembly remains very interested in this project.

Update on Course Redesign Initiative (Hilarie)
- Hilarie discussed the grants given to nine campuses to help support their course redesign activities.
- Hilarie will compile the list of funded proposals as a summary for the Board.

Update on Blackboard Common-Hosting Pilot (Lori)
- Now working on consensus of objectives, direction, etc
- ECSU, FSU, NCART, A&T, UNCP, WSSU are the six participating campuses.
- Hired external consultant (Greg Devine) who has successfully led these types of efforts; will help through entire planning process and will provide implementation guides and other info to facilitate the process
- NCA&T is planning to be hosted by UNCG beginning Fall 2007

Update on Open Source Initiatives (Faith)
- Faith summarized and discussed the open source activities taking place from Spring 2007 through Spring 2008.

Planning for 2008 UNC TLT Conference (Faith, Frank)
- Send names of nominated program committee members to Faith
- Program committee will meet by phone several times over summer
- Faculty Assembly Technology Chair has agreed to co-chair the committee
- Faith & Frank will develop business plan for reducing costs and making the conference self supporting

Report on ECU Think Link (Chris)
- More than 400 participants signed up
- Will do some activity in the Fall
- Will meet in June to look at text analysis, look for quotes and vital stats
- Next year would like to involve other campuses

Committee Reports
- None

New Business
- The Board officially thanked and recognized Mitch Mitchell, who is retiring next month, for his several years of outstanding service and leadership to the TLTC.
- Jim suggested the desirability of a two-week online course for administrators to introduce them to online learning.

Adjourned at 2:45pm