TLTC Board Meeting

Videoconference Wednesday, September 27, 2006 2:00am – 4:00pm

MINUTES

Present:

Board Members: Ray Purdom (UNCG), Chair Steven J. Breiner (ASU) Kim Stevenson (ECSU) John Brooks (FSU) Scott Simkins (NCAT) Donna Petherbridge (NCSU) John Myers (UNCA) Mark Sivy (UNCC) Bev Vagnerini (UNCW) Robert Orr (WCU) Henry Schaffer (Board Member Emeritus)

TLTC Staff:

Hilarie Nickerson (UNC-TLTC) Frank Prochaska (UNC-TLTC) Laura Rogers (UNC-TLTC) Lori Mathis (UNC-TLTC) Faith Dabney (UNC-TLTC)

Absent:

Jo Ann Pearson (GA-Alliance) Yogi Kakad (Faculty Assembly) Chris Weaver (ECU) Geri Vital (Proxy) (NCCU) Jill Lane (NCSA) Charles Green (UNC-CH) Maurice C. Mitchell (UNCP) Forrest McFeeters (WSSU)

Welcome and Roll Call

- Ray Purdom (Board Chair) called the meeting to order at 2:00pm.
- Roll call

Approval of August 29 Board Meeting Minutes

• The Board approved the minutes of August 29, 2006 with one note of clarification.

Executive Director Report (Frank)

Frank welcomed Faith Dabney. Faith was recently hired on a personal services contract by the TLTC and is responsible for providing support for the Conference as well as assistance to Hilarie, Laura and Lori.

PACE Update – The UNC-GA core area received a reduction in budget of 10%, which equated to about 14 positions. The affiliates are to receive about 14% cut. They have not received official notification yet, but Robyn expects that the TLTC will receive a 10-15% cut in operating budget equating to about \$60-\$100k. The

PACE committee will meet on October 10. Frank expects to get more detailed information after that meeting.

Synchronous LMS Project Update (Frank, Lori)

The Centra pilot will be extended until August 31, 2007. The new version will contain the Mac compatible beta client and should be out in November. The Charlotte server is to be decommissioned on September 29. The new pilot will be up and running on October 4. The campus administrators should have access on October 3 for testing. Accounts and data will not be transferred to the new server. Lori will send out information regarding training, etc. Lori confirmed participation and administrator contacts for each campus.

Content Management System/Learning Object Repository Project Update (Lori)

Discussion continues with the community colleges. Established there is enough common ground in this area to continue collaborating in areas such as 2+2 systems, etc. The Steering Committee discussed focused participation. What recommendations related to content management and learning object repositories do we have? A summary of the discussion follows:

- Community College System using part of their 2+2 money to purchase a repository. President Bowles has also expressed interest in collaborating with NCCCS and for UNC to share content where appropriate. This would be a small pilot controlled by invitation only.
- Need some clarification on the distinction between "content". How broad do we want to be in the pilot?
- Suggestion to have the participation represented as broadly as possible. Some groups, some individuals, some just for storage, etc. Also, not to lose track of the learning object option.
- Who should participate? Who are the current groups collaborating across campuses? Give this some thought and then get back to Lori with suggested candidates.

2007 TLT Conference Update (Frank, Hilarie, Laura)

- In spite of budget situation, they have still moved forward and received an RFP response for YCC as the conference coordinator.
- The Review Committee has agreed to extend deadline to October 23.
- Laura The Review Committee is organizing reviewers for proposals. Send Laura name of possible reviewers from your campus.
- The archived 2006 site will show attendees from last years conference.
- John Myers is chairing review committee for the second year.
- Mitch and Yogi are serving as co-chairs of Program Committee.
- Many thanks to everyone for all their efforts.

CIOs' Interest in Examining Open Source Solutions (Frank)

• Robyn meets monthly with CIOs. At the last videoconference, the CIOs brought up the recommendation that the TLTC continue to explore open source CMS solutions. Their concerns with current products include stability of companies, costs, hardware and software issues, etc. • CIOs encouraged the TLTC to continue piloting Sakai and Moodle and to get more campuses involved in this effort.

CASTL Project Update (Ray, Scott)

- The Learning Center directors applied and were accepted to participate
- They met at UNCG about the CASTL effort. Representatives from several campuses talked about the three-year project. Project focuses on three topics.
 - Effective teaching with wireless laptops
 - Large Enrollment Course Redesign
 - Courses leading to greater student retention and student success
- On November 8, everyone involved will meet in Washington, DC. This is the official kickoff of this initiative.
- This is a chance for true scholarship in teaching opportunities across the state.

No New Business

Next meeting – in person on October 17 at the Center for School Leadership Development Building, Room 127 at 10:00am.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50pm.