Educational Technology Committee

October 28, 2021

Notes (approved 11/18/21)

Name	Location	PR/EX	Name	Location	PR/EX
Jamey Nye (Co-Chair)	DO	x	Jena Trench (Co-Chair)	DAS	x
Pamela Bimbi	ARC-DE		Shar McCarrol	ARC	x
Alice Dieli	ARC		TBD-faculty	ARC	
Kale Braden	ARC-Adm		TBD-faculty	CRC	
Markus Geissler	CRC	x	Lance Parks	CRC	
Gregory Beyrer	CRC-DE	x	Stephen McGloughlin	CRC-Adm	
Megan Ozeran	FLC	x	Jennifer Kraemer	FLC	x
Morgan Murphy	FLC-DE	x	Angela Prelip	FLC	x
Christa Oberth	FLC		Deborah Saks	SCC-Adm	
Matt Wright	FLC-Adm	x	Kandace Knudson (Alt.)	SCC	x
P.J. Harris Jenkinson	SCC	x	Brian Pogue	SCC	
Sheley Little	SCC	x	Patrick Crandley	SCC	x
Tamara Armstrong, AVC	DO		Manveer Bola	DOIT	x
Tak Auyeung	LRCFT		Kate Williamson	Librarian	
Torence Powell	DO	x	Guest: Julie Oliver	DAS-NV	x
Guest: Nicole Wooley	OCDC	x			
Guests from DOIT	Kevin Wong,				

Welcome
The zoom meeting was called to order at 3:03p.

Approval of Notes from April and the Agenda
The agenda for today's meeting and the notes from the September meeting were approved. It was noted that the Student Services Hub discussion will be an update instead.

Discussion Items

- Starfish – a brief update was provided on the Starfish tool. It was noted an Interim AVC of Educational Services and Student Success has been hired and will work with the campus VPSS to restart work in this area that was stalled due to COVID/vaccination mandates. It was noted that faculty may have questions on who should use the tool, how to use it (training), and its effectiveness. It was requested that any additional questions about Starfish be forward to the co-chairs who will share them, along with the items noted today, with the AVCESSS.

- Student Services Hub – An update was provided by SCC. Students are being supported in their efforts to develop a shell and getting the information in there that students need. It is hoped that Los Rios can take responsibility for doing this. It was noted that Contra Costa has a shell with student resources in it that's individualized for each campus. DOIT will reach out to the student services side to see how they can support this effort. It was noted that we have aligned messaging to students and if this tool becomes a place where students go to find messages and then the PIOs should be involved. CRC's library may have a model of a landing page that students could click on when in Canvas. Can we integrate student services in Canvas to avoid redundancy? CRC has links in Canvas that go to the student services website and a direct link to the library's webpage that was created in PHB. It would be nice if the student services frame could load inside the same browser. Authentication of users might be needed to ensure civilized discourse, and it might make it easier for students to access support services because they will have already been authenticated and could skip that step when requesting student services. Legal issues due to accessibility and privacy concerns were noted since this is student generated and may not meet district standards. Who will ensure that?

- Hyflex – it was noted faculty expressed interest to run some pilots. 10 rooms per college have been approved to be outfitted for hyflex, but no courses will be offered in the spring. It was noted that this is not a district initiative, but a faculty idea that's being explored and the District would like to support if possible. The Academic Senate will lead where the district goes in this area because we want to encourage innovation and creativity. It was noted that meetings have used this format in the past, and it was difficult to ensure that all participants felt like part of the group. It was noted that DOIT is in the infant stage of getting classrooms outfitted. They want the technology to be as uniform and easy to use/update as possible. It was noted the ASCCC online education committee developed a resolution related to Hyflex that was forwarded to the State Chancellor's Office. Should we begin defining what Hyflex is in Los Rios? It was stressed that hyflex is an academic discussion that needs to happen with Academic Senate and curriculum committee members to define it; and decide whether we want to explore that as a potential for students. A workgroup of faculty, including DE, could work to generate an initial proposal to define it; then bring others in because we can't offer it till we have an agreed upon definition due to the curriculum aspect. Faculty co-chair of this committee and Academic Senate Rep to this committee will contact DAS president to get members for a workgroup. Hyflex could possibly become a backup to replace instruction that gets interrupted due to fires and/or pandemics. Additional topics to be discussed once a definition is achieved and faculty decide to move forward: How it should be coded; how it goes through curriculum, drop policy; required hours and how to split and account for them; how do we communicate this to students to make it clear what it is.

- Proctorio – DOIT provided a report. Is it worth it for LRCCD to develop a process to authenticate students in the google app store? Google play/google store is LMS/IT related. Instructionally, what are we doing about test proctoring in general; why are we still doing it? Some courses require online proctoring. Are there recommendations

faculty can make about assessment in online courses? At CRC there is a resolution asking for in person proctoring center. Previous discussions and concerns about this topic were recapped. Directions for how to use or best practices for using a proctoring service would be helpful. As well as clarifying when it's actually necessary or when authentic assessment could replace it. Last year's taskforce could be reconvened to develop a set of guidelines.

- Next Level DE Training – postponed to next meeting in November.

Informational updates

- DOIT – updates were provided by two of the directors of DOIT.
- DAPIC – captioning program is moving along. OER remediation project is being piloted.
- Los Rios Colleges Online - they meet next Wednesday
- Fast Track - no updates
- Library update – an update on library activities was provided; lockers are being installed for non-contact book pickup.
- College Updates-Each college provided updates

Agenda/follow up items for next meeting

Update on Next Level DE Training

Update on Student Services Hub

Senate Bill 129 Reporting

Testing Group/HyFlex group updates

Next meeting November 18th

Adjourned at 4:30p