LMS Implementation Team Minutes

January 25, 2008

Call to Order: Dr. Paul Matney called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members present: Claudie Biggers, Mark Hutson (co-chairs), Larry Adams, Scott Beckett, Judy Carter, Brenda Davidson, Becky Easton, D'dee Grove, Linda Hendrick, Patsy Lemaster, Linda Reed, Tricia Stevens, Vicky Taylor-Gore

Members absent: Carol Buse, Kim Hays, Kim McGowan

Guests present: Sherry Hendrix (LMS Project Team Manager), Phil Hill (LMS Specialist), Paul Matney, Danita McAnally, Lou Ann Seabourn

Business:

Dr. Matney introduced the LMS Team, guests, and gave us our charge to assist with the implementation of Blackboard's Campus Edition 6.

Sherry Hendrix and Phil Hill commended the faculty for a strong demonstration of student support.

An LMS Message Board has been created in MyAC under "Clubs"

Sherry Hendrix and Phil Hill will draft a plan and time line.

Claudie Biggers, Mark Hutson, Sherry Hendrix and Phil Hill lead a brainstorming discussion of concerns faculty may have; these include:

Same capabilities but different format, managed everything very well.

Blackboard is more supported among publishers.

In addition to training sessions, offer a lab environment to assist faculty, including supervision.

Offer sessions/Brown Bag where an instructional designer just watches and looks at how easy it is to move a class

Offer Faculty shared POD workshops

Important to track training and make it flexible

How to help students be successful

Use consistent terminology; majority consensus

Tricia volunteered to get the terminology. Sacs statement, "can students go from one class to another seamlessly."

Student training to assist student success

Blackboard = Campus edition 6; it is actually Web CT not the actual blackboard learning system

Everything available in one place

MyAC will be going away but replaced by something similar

Everything must coordinate with Colleague

Student confusion going through MyAC and Web CT Sometimes they get into a blank shell. We need a way to guide students

Timeline needs to be communicated

Every faculty teaching must go through training. Clarify the timeline

- Spring Too
- Summer
- Fall
- Sessions will be available night and day.

Can the faculty have a sample server to begin working with it? Problem: needs training first

Faculty training will be needed to get to access

Possible access to sample server with completion of training

Coaching not training. Improve confidence by outcomes assessment

Train a small group and grow out. Central location with consistency!

Adjournment: 9:55 a.m.

Next Meeting: TBA