

Santa Monica College

Distance Education Committee Minutes of November 29, 2011

Members: Jamie Cavanaugh* (chair), Julie Yarrish* (vice chair), Dana Del George*, Wendi Demorst*, Keith Graziadei*, Dan Hurley*, Peggy Kline*, Erica Leblanc*, Jenny Resnick*

Interested parties: Kay Azuma, Teri Bernstein, Fariba Bolandhemat*, Ellen Cutler, Stephen Druker, Janet Harclerode, Peggy Kravitz*, Laura Manson*, Eve Mazzara, Christine Miller*, Waleed Nasr*, Eric Oifer, Wendy Parise, Judith Remmes*, Marilyn Simons*, Odemaris Valdivia, Sal Veas

*Present

The Santa Monica College Distance Education Committee was called to order by Jamie Cavanaugh at 12:45 a.m.

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of November 15, 2011 was made by Wendi Demorst, seconded by Dana Del George, and unanimously approved.

Chair's Report:

- To accommodate Dr. Tsang's schedule, Jamie Cavanaugh reported that the DE/ISC/TPC retreat had been rescheduled and will now take place on Thursday, January 26 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Bundy campus.

Vice Chair's Report:

- Julie Yarrish informed the committee that a list of California Community Colleges using Etudes by FTES has been uploaded to FAC 101. The Etudes users tend to be primarily smaller DE programs.

Ongoing Projects:

- PERC report – Dana
 - There is information on the types of students who primarily cheat online;
 - Information on how to handle cheaters is posted to the Student Judicial Affairs Web site.
 - There is a video for students on what constitutes cheating and information for faculty on pedagogy that may be helpful in mitigating cheating;
 - At this time "traffic school" for cheaters is not an option;
 - Faculty was reminded that F-1 students may enroll in no more than one online class per semester.

- CMS Sub-committee summary report - Christine Miller
 - It was reiterated that open source is not free as the cost of additional personnel, servers, and support services for faculty and students must be factored in. She also reminded the committee members that Jocelyn Chong has stated that bandwidth would be of real concern.
 - Any move to another CMS will be a major disruption for at least one year.
- Discussion of policy on substantive participation was tabled.

Committee Members Discussion/Reports:

- During a brief discussion of cheating, it was suggested that the committee work with Administration to create real consequences for cheating.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Distance Education Committee will be at 12:45 p.m., Tuesday, December 13 in Library 275 (2nd floor, Conference Room).

Hi Folks:

I fear I've given Steve false--or perhaps just premature--hope. Please allow me to clarify a few items from the DE minutes of my report on my visit to PERC (additions and changes preceded by a ">"):

PERC report - Dana

o There is information on the types of students who primarily cheat online;

> I have suggested that students who cheat in online (and on-ground) courses often have these four characteristics: poor skills in the discipline, perceived pressure to achieve high grades, lack of appreciation for the principles of general education, and a great sense of hurry. Teri Berstein asked to include my observations in forthcoming PERC communications.

o Information on how to handle cheaters is posted to the Student Judicial Affairs Web site.

> The resources shared at PERC that I found most helpful were, more specifically, on the Honor Council website: <http://www.smc.edu/StudentServices/HonorCouncil/Pages/Resources-for-Faculty.aspx>. There you can also see The Honor Council Cases Heard and Outcomes (<http://www.smc.edu/StudentServices/HonorCouncil/Pages/HC-Cases-Heard-Outcomes.aspx>).

o There is a video for students on what constitutes cheating and information for faculty on pedagogy that may be helpful in mitigating cheating;

> The main project that PERC has undertaken this year is to create a series of videos to teach students the importance of academic integrity.

o At this time "traffic school" for cheaters is not an option;

> This semester, the "traffic school" for cheaters idea was considered by the Academic Senate Executive Council, who deemed it worthy of further conversation. However, it is not within the power of AS to do more than make recommendations to the administration and to develop pedagogical tactics for fighting cheating.

o Faculty was reminded that F-1 students may enroll in no more than one online class per semester.

>Peggy can add any necessary clarification to this last point.

Thanks,

Dana

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From: DRUKER STEPHEN

Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 1:32 PM

To: CAVANAUGH JAMIE; DEL GEORGE DANA; GRAZIADEI KEITH; HURLEY DANIEL; KLINE PEGGY; RESNICK JENNY; LEBLANC ERICA; DEMORST WENDI; YARRISH JULIE; AZUMA KAY; BERNSTEIN TERI; BOLANDHEMAT FARIBA; CUTLER ELLEN; HARCLERODE JANET; KRAVITZ PEGGY; MANSON LAURA; MILLER CHRISTINE; NASR WALEED; PARISE WENDY; REMMES JUDITH; SIMONS MARILYN; VALDIVIA ODEMARIS; VEAS SAL
Subject: RE: DE Committee Agenda 12/13/11

Hi All,

I miss participating in DE! However I've been following the emails. I was happy to see the resources at Judicial Affairs and hope to somehow use them in my future classes. I couldn't find the video on cheating that mentioned. Does anyone know where that is?

Thanks for keeping me in the loop and hope to see you all soon!

Steve

Stephen Druker, PhD
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From: CAVANAUGH JAMIE

Sent: Thu 12/8/2011 9:47 AM

To: DEL GEORGE DANA; GRAZIADEI KEITH; HURLEY DANIEL; KLINE PEGGY; RESNICK JENNY; LEBLANC ERICA; DEMORST WENDI; YARRISH JULIE; AZUMA KAY; BERNSTEIN TERI; BOLANDHEMAT FARIBA; CUTLER ELLEN; DRUKER STEPHEN; HARCLERODE JANET; KRAVITZ PEGGY; MANSON LAURA; MILLER CHRISTINE; NASR WALEED; PARISE WENDY; REMMES JUDITH; SIMONS MARILYN; VALDIVIA ODEMARIS; VEAS SAL
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Hi everyone,

Attached is the agenda for our next meeting on Tuesday, December 13 and the minutes from our last meeting.

I've also attached two documents regarding online participation. Please bring these documents with you to our next meeting. They are the same documents from our last meeting.

DE Committee meeting
Tuesday, December 13, 2011
Library Conference Room #275
12:45pm - 2:00pm

I'll see you Tuesday!

Best,
Jamie

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