

Norco Distance Education Committee Minutes
October 21, 2015
3:00 – 4:15 PM
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Attendees: Carol Farrar, Vivian Harris, Marissa Iliscupidez, Deborah Tompsett-Makin, Sandra Popiden, Walter “Buck” Stevens, Tim Huneck (Student Representative)

Guests: Mark DeAsis, Greg Aycock

The meeting was called to order at 3:05. Approval of Agenda Deborah/ Buck M/S/P. Approval of Minutes: Buck/Deborah M/S/P.

Student Registration for Online courses: Mark DeAsis provided a power point presentation and discussion of the process students must go through and the survey students take before registering for an online or hybrid course. There was also a discussion of how students can access the online skills workshop.

Assessment of Distance Education Committee Strategic Planning Goals: Dr. Greg Aycock provided a summary of the strategic planning goals for Distance Education and confirmed that the committee had met Goal 1 Objective 9. The student success gap between distance education and traditional class students is decreasing which is good news. Dr. Farrar suggested we go back and look to see what measures were implemented in the last 2 years that may have resulted in the decrease. Some measures mentioned were: NetTutor, Lynda.com, and Best Practices handbook for online instruction. Vivian mentioned she would ask Damon Nance for the information on NetTutor and Lynda.com. Buck said he would contact Derek Moore regarding the timeline for the online skills workshop.

Strategic Planning Goal 5 Objective 4 concerns assessment of courses. Greg mentioned he would follow up with the assessment committee to see how to capture the number of DE classes assessed in the disciplines. He will talk with Alexis Gray regarding her analysis of her face-to-face versus online courses. Carol mentioned the possibility of having an analysis workshop to assist faculty in assessment of DE courses.

Vivian attended the last Norco Academic Senate meeting and the Distance Education Faculty Guide was approved by the Senate.

Carol questioned when the district would be moving to implement CANVAS as the next LMS. Deborah mentioned that the technology committee had queried the district about this and there is no specific answer. The Blackboard contract may be in effect until 2017-2018.

Meeting adjourned 4:09PM.

Submitted: Dr. Deborah Tompsett Makin