

Distance Learning Advisory Committee (DLAC) Meeting

2/17/2014 Minutes

Non-voting Members Attending: Dr. Wanda Bradford, Mr. Ethan Humphres, Ms. Natasha Lindsey

Voting Members Attending: Dr. Dennis Balch, Dr. Larry Bates, Dr. Mary Bowers, Ms. Cathy Malone, Ms. Celia Reynolds, Ms. Janelle Sorrell, Dr. May Takeuchi, Dr. Ryan Zayac

Visitors Attending: Ms. Bonnie Coats, Mr. John McGee, and Dr. Kim Greenway

The meeting was called to order by DLAC Committee Chair, Ms. Lisa Burton, who read the proposed agenda. No objections to the proposed agenda were made so agenda was approved by assent.

Old Business

Dr. Kim Greenway discussed issues regarding online courses and why current policy isn't adequate to cover all of the issues regarding conduct.

Dr. Wanda Bradford made a motion that we research how other universities do this and send this to Kim so that she can integrate it into policy and get that back to us. Mr. John McGee noted that we needed to find language from other institutions.

Ms. Lisa Burton gave a brief update on the status of the DLAC Work Group and noted that they would be drafting a report in a couple of weeks.

Concerning the LMS Work Group, Mr. John McGee pointed out that the recent weather had hindered the last meeting and that they are having difficulty meeting. Dr. Wanda Bradford pointed out that the committee needed to meet again and Mr. McGee agreed to try to set that up.

Ms. Natasha Lindsey updated the group concerning the DLAC Conference. She stated that the agenda was complete and that Phylise Banner would be the keynote speaker. Also the TEACH ACT work group will be speaking.

New Business

Concerning the DLAC policy regarding acceptable options for student verification when administering exams, Ms. Natasha Lindsey agreed to work on this and see what else is out there and available other than Biometrics. Committee members were encouraged to send this information to Ms. Lindsey if they find some potential solution.

Lastly, Mr. John McGee briefly discussed the idea of a Distance Learning Teaching Excellence Award. Dr. Wanda Bradford agreed to check with other institutions about teaching excellence for distance learning and bring back to use as starting points for further discussion.

Meeting was adjourned by assent.

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