D2L Minutes 4/13/06 11-12noon EGF #217 & TRF #545

Present: Karleen Delorme, Stacey Hron, Aliza Olson, Sherry Lindquist, Elizabeth

McMahon,

Absent: Cheryl Byrne, Faye Overgaard, Julie Grabanski, Kathy Huschle, Kristina Keller,

Carolyn Weber, Jeff Thomas, Mike Normandin, Holly Deschene

Course Survey Update

Based on faculty request, Karleen copied the "Student Evaluation of Faculty" course survey into 25 courses this semester on a trial basis. Once the survey was copied into the course, Karleen emailed all students from the Classlist requesting they complete the anonymous survey on the specified dates and cc'd the faculty. The email was sent to their NCTC email account. Instructors also posted a new message on the course home page. So far the survey seems to be working well. Karleen has not received confirmation from the Academic Deans on whether the D2L survey will be implemented for summer or fall. The survey link will be added to the course template before mapping any summer courses in anticipation of the implementation for summer.

New Template Design

Karleen created a new nav bar template to match the new college website design that will be updated on July 1. The new template has been added to the NCTC D2L Faculty Support Center course for all to review and provide feedback. One suggestion was to make the links bolder or darker so they stand out more. Another comment was to change the text hover color from red to another color on the gray bar. An email message will be sent to all faculty who use D2L letting them know the new template has been loaded for their review / feedback.

Training Sessions

Some new EGF training dates have been added on a news item in the Faculty Support Center. Aliza will forward a message to the TRF faculty regarding training dates on the TRF campus in the remaining weeks of the semester.

Faculty Support Center

Sherry indicated she would like to rearrange the content page of the FSC to shrink the long list into a smaller list. She would also like to add a Faculty Resources section with various materials from each discipline. She currently has some from the English department and will upload those but is asking for the same types of materials from faculty in other disciplines that would like to share lesson plans, beginning of semester ice breakers, ideas for discussions, etc. The information can be dropped into the Dropbox or emailed to Sherry. She has also created a quiz for faculty to take to see what students experience.

End of Semester Handout

The End of Semester handout was reviewed and suggested to add the word optional to the Export Grades to an Excel Spreadsheet.

Summer Meeting Schedule

If a meeting is needed during the summer a conference call could be set up during June and July. Holly, Aliza, Sherry, and Karleen will attend the D2L conference the first week of August.