

Northland Community & Technical College Division Chair Meeting

March 11, 2004 3:00 pm Room #301

Attendees: Cassie H., Mike N., Dennis W., Deb R., Steve A., Milt K., Diane R.

	Topic	Responsible	Discussion/Outcome
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1.	Call to Order	Steve	3:06 pm
2.	Approval of Minutes	Steve	Approved
3.	Faculty Support Position Revisited	Steve	The new position has been approved. Diane will work with MaryJo to get a position description together employing the list of duties the chairs detailed at an earlier meeting. When this has been completed it will go to MnSCU to be approved and then it is posted. Steve explained that work studies will no longer be involved in the processing of the student course evaluations. Part of this process will be added to the new position description.
4.	Report From Assessment Committee	Steve	The committee determined that it should develop and implement a framework for assessment of activities at the college. The purview of the committee is the entire college, including area that are not specifically or directly academic, like student services and maintenance, though the major focus of the committee's work should center on academic matters, specifically, teaching and learning. A framework will guide specification of each unit's outcomes and the associated detailed measurable objectives, along with collection and analysis of data in support of these objectives, leading, finally, to adjustments in the unit's processes. The committee passed two very important motions: The Assessment Committee recommends to the AASC that all NCTC graduates should possess certain core competencies. A joint TRF-EGF faculty group will review and revise the existing TRF list of core competencies and will draft short definitions of each, which will then be finalized through general faculty feedback.
5.	Fall 2004 Schedule	Steve	 Tentative Fall Semester Timelines were proposed: Monday, March 22nd – Gen Ed schedule should be ready to go to faculty. (A request has been made that faculty have more than 5 days for revision.) Wed., March 24th – meet to do ITV schedule Friday, March 26th – revised Gen Ed and ITV Wed., March 31st – first full draft. Meet this day to schedule rooms Friday, April 2nd – revised draft Tuesday, April 6th – final draft and ready to input into ISRS Monday. April 19th – Fall semester preregistration begins

		Faculty would like a list of rooms that have 35 seats or more – send out e-mail with this information.
6. Academic Staff Meeting	Steve	All employee meetings are great, but staff issues are different than faculty issues. We do not have faculty sessions to discuss things, such as issues like the academic calendar. All agreed it was a good idea to start having academic staff meetings.
7. Other		Desire 2Learn looks very exciting. EGF training is now set. TRF refused to participate in a college D2L training plan.
		In the future, how do we fund the replacement cycle of new computers? Requests for computers needs to go to the Technology Committee. It was suggested that faculty should get new computers every five years.
8. Adjourned		4:00 pm

Handouts:

Agenda
 Minutes
Next meeting – March 25th @ 3.00 pm