

Tech Task Force

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Sherry Mines, Judy Baker, Ari Burwald, Steve McGriff, Peter Murray, Susan Traynor, Joe Moreau, Gay Krause, Scott Madera,

Minutes of 5/14/14 were reviewed

Discussion: Judy will include ETAC notes links

Action: A motion was made to approve the minutes. Passed.

Agenda:

No changes proposed

Announcements

- Foothill is 1 of 65 colleges in California to apply to pilot an online initiative; the state will sort the applications down to 20. The odds are very good for Foothill. If selected, we need to form a committee. Need volunteers to serve on our committee to work on the OEI. 2 Faculty, 1 technologist [Joe Moreau will look at the requirements and report back to Judy]
- Butte College is the lead institution.
- Judy envisions that she would involve other campus members to participate, perhaps a representative from each division. Joe suggests that all the pilot schools take this approach to keep the committee numbers manageable.

Membership for 2014-15

- Judy is interested to know if we should have reps from each division on the Tech Task Force
- An open invitation
- Peter suggests we invite participants, or ask academic senate to nominate reps
- Student reps, too = Judy write a memo to ASFC At-Large, send to Pat Hyland or Daphne Small, for Technology Manager to serve on this Tech Task Force Committee.
- Please forward names of individuals you would like to nominate to Judy
- Faculty, Classified, Admin, Student

Coordination of tech training for 2014-15

- A list made by Joe and Judy
- Judy is looking for "help" to coordinate and facilitate the training of common tech training topics
- Resources that Foothill doesn't have to pay for are likely to be available in Fall 2014
- Joe is talking with Lynda.com for specific training topics
- Big topics include backup solutions for F2F instruction ... bigger idea is to get District to host a cloud backup solution
- Suggestion to coordinate tech tutorials with faculty and staff experts or for making screencast tutorials
- OmniUpdate is being implemented in pockets around the District and Judy is suggesting ETS handle the training.
- Foothill has subscription to Go2Knowledge webinars

Discussion of planned tech purchases

- Use of wireless tablets in classrooms
- purchase of MondoPad by PSME and/or KCI
- In general, the process of purchasing orders for technology is make one, then it sits idle without explanation
- Discussion topic is to remove ETS from instructional technology decision making
- There is an issue with bottleneck on decision processes that flow through ETS
- There are inefficiencies and frustrations echoed by this committee

Update from ETS

- ePrintIt conducted a survey that found high levels of satisfaction, but the validity of the study is in question as the results don't match with understanding of Tech Task Force members
- The students on the Tech Task Force did not complete the survey, they don't have complaints, but they know other students who do
- Student email accounts initiative is moving forward

Perks of Foothill College membership in WCET

- WCET membership has little relevance for students
- WCET membership provides college employees with discounts for conference attendance and products