

Academic Affairs Meeting Minutes

Date: 06/10/2019, Monday 3:30-4:30 PM

Location: Max Merrill Room, Library 221

<p><u>Present (voting members):</u> Jessica Giglio (<i>Transfer Faculty</i>) – Chair Michael Hansen (<i>Faculty at Large</i>) John Liccardo (<i>Transfer Faculty</i>) Ken Swartwout (<i>CTE Faculty</i>) Wayne Yeatman (<i>CTE Faculty</i>) Amy Harper (<i>Faculty Forum President</i>) Barbara Bellinger (<i>Classified Representative</i>)</p>	<p><u>Absent (voting members):</u> TBD (<i>ASCOCC representative</i>)</p>
<p><u>Present (non-voting members):</u> Betsy Julian (<i>VPI</i>) Tyler Hayes (<i>Director Admissions & Registrar</i>) Jeff Floyd (<i>IT Representative</i>) Paula Simone (<i>CTE Council & ChairMoot Representative</i>) Krista Leaders (<i>Committee Specialist</i>) Michael Murphy (<i>Guest</i>)</p>	<p><u>Absent (non-voting members):</u> Vickery Viles (<i>Director of Curriculum & Assessment</i>) Stacey Donohue (<i>Shared Governance Committee</i>)</p>

Meeting began @ 3:30

(Note: **Approvals and Action items written in red.**)

Unfinished Business

- 1) Review Academic Affairs Committee minutes from 5/20/19
 - a) **John Liccardo motioned to approve, Wayne Yeatman 2nd, with suggested edits, motion passed unanimously**
- 2) Review Curriculum Committee minutes from 6/4
- 3) **Second Reading:** Academic Affairs Form updates
 - a) **Michael Hansen motioned to approve, Wayne Yeatman 2nd, motion passed unanimously**

New Business

- 1) **Informational Item: End-of-year Report**
 - a) Discussion ensued regarding upcoming vacancies on the committee. Barbara said she would connect with Justin Koon about finding a representative from the classified association for the next term.
- 2) **Informational Item: LMS Review Task Force update (Michael Murphy presented)**
 - a) The task force reviewed the current LMS (Blackboard) to determine its usefulness with the revised strategic plan at the department level as well as college wide.
 - b) The review took longer than anticipated and will continue into the fall.

- c) A SWOT analysis was done with Blackboard, including input from faculty, staff, and students.
 - i. Blackboard currently is the most expensive option
 - ii. Moodle the most customizable and would require significant college resources to implement and tool it for COCC.
- d) Reviewed LMSs used by other Oregon educational institutions, including high schools and transfer institutions.
- e) Demo other LMSs
 - i. Blackboard
 - (1) Strengths
 - (a) Accessibility
 - (b) Modern user interface in Ultra: Mobile/PC
 - (c) File storage and management
 - (d) Support for collaboration, providing collaborative workplace
 - (e) Personalization
 - (f) Specialized grading tools
 - (2) Weaknesses
 - (a) Learning curve to Ultra
 - (b) More front-end changes than back-end changes in gradebook, discussions, assignments
 - (c) Support
 - (d) Cost
 - ii. Canvas
 - (1) Strengths
 - (a) Accessibility
 - (b) Modern user interface: Mobile/PC Ease of administration
 - (c) File storage and management
 - (d) Strong support for collaboration: Supporting group works by providing collaborative workplace
 - (e) Personalization: Students/Instructors can customize Canvas settings in their preferences (Good Branding tools) Good Gradebook support
 - (f) Remarkable Usability/ Support
 - (g) Cost
 - (2) Weaknesses
 - (a) Learning curve to Canvas
 - (b) Migration of courses

- (c) Simplistic rich text editor
 - (d) Simplistic learning analytics in base LMS
 - (e) Limited customization of navigation panel
- iii. Moodle
 - (1) Strengths
 - (a) Customization
 - (b) Modern user interface
 - (c) File storage and management
 - (d) Proven interface with Banner
 - (e) Cost
 - (2) Weaknesses
 - (a) Greatest learning curve to Moodle from COCC perspective
 - (b) Accessibility: Not certified from the National Federation for the Blind
 - (c) No base structure ready for course deployment
 - (d) Insufficient maintenance investment: Uncertain about the scale and backend support
 - (e) Heavy dependency on 3rd-party add-ons and Server Support from hosting environment
 - (f) Grading tool not integrated with Assignments/Assessment
- iv. D2L
 - (1) Strengths
 - (a) Accessibility
 - (b) Modern user interface
 - (c) File storage and management
 - (d) Personalization
 - (e) Cost
 - (2) Weaknesses
 - (a) Learning curve
 - (b) Migration of courses
 - (c) Limited faculty customization of navigation
 - (d) Unknown level of support
- f) Surveyed faculty and students
 - i. 50% said Blackboard is meeting needs
 - ii. Interested in switching LMS? About half were indifferent

- iii. Focus group indicated little experience with other systems, but would be willing to try another system if it was mobile friendly
- g) Future tasks
 - i. Create a comparison chart comparing Blackboard to other top LMSs
 - ii. Compile rubric scores for evaluated LMSs
 - iii. Discussion with Deans and Chairmoot to raise awareness regarding the LMS review process
 - iv. Updates on the process and more information can be found on the E-Learning intranet page, LMS Review https://intranet.ad.cocc.edu/departments/elearning/lms_review/

3) Informational Item: Academic Master Plan Work Group update

- a) Academic Master Plan is built based on feedback from summits, APR goals and needs, Strategic Plan comments and goals.
- b) Final draft to be completed in Fall 2019
- c) Activities are covering areas under the control of Instruction

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 pm.

Next Meeting: is TBD, 3:30 – 4:30, Max Merrill room