

DISTANCE EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

October 8, 2015 · Carrington 203

MINUTES

Review of minutes from 09/10/2015

- The term “healthy preparedness” in the minutes was reviewed. In context, it means that the people discussing the situation were upbeat about, alert to, and prepared for, the upcoming visit. No specific revision of this statement was suggested.
- Distance Educator: There was a question about whether an educator who receives the plaque will receive a plaque every year (and therefore rapidly run out of wall space). It was suggested that we might look into items one can attach underneath a plaque to recognize repeat awardees.

Updates on Online/Distance Data

- Lacey Geiger spoke on data handouts. The committee showed some interest in seeing Spring online data for comparison.
- It was noted that ABC rates are not currently available by student characteristic, i.e. age, gender, etc. but that this particular report can be created.
- A discussion ensued on the difference between iCourses, ITV and online classes. “iCourses” might be defined as pre-recorded video lecture courses, which can be distributed either online or via physical means (DVDs, flash drives, etc.) “ITV” is actually a live, remotely-viewed class, typically broadcast to distance MSU locations that have compatible ITV software (such as Lebanon and Joplin); and is primarily used by programs that have not made the transition to Online. “Internet” or “Online” courses are those conducted primarily via the medium of Blackboard, and typically might not feature a recorded video component. It was suggested that Outreach might present on the difference between these instructional methods in some fashion – either by presenting at the AAA meeting, or creating a video that can be shared through the Outreach website.
- Another discussion revolved around an official meeting that is to be held this coming Wednesday regarding accessibility issues for online classes.
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Proposed Invitees and Questions for Panel Presentation at November DEC Meeting:

Proposed invitees:

KENT RAGAN - COB
LIBBY ROSELLE - COB
PATTI SALINAS
SHAWN WAHL - COM
BILL PISTON - HISTORY
CINDY HALE - ELEM ED
RICH GARRAD - BMS
GLORIA GALANES - COAL
MIKE HIGNITE - CIS

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RICHARD CALLAHAN –TCM
SUSAN SIMS-GIDDENS –NURSING
BRIAN BREYFOGLE
MICHAEL ORF (WP)
DAVID WHITE (WP – DISTANCE EDUCATION DIRECTOR)

Proposed Questions:

1. In what ways have distance courses enhanced your program?
2. What barriers do online students face in completion of online degrees?
3. How is your department assessing the quality of online courses? How might this be improved?
4. How does your department balance student demand for online, faculty workload, and the needs of on-campus and off-campus students?
5. What are the prominent pedagogies and student evaluations? And are there any proctoring requirements?
6. What products are people using to meet technological needs? And do you feel you have sufficient support?
7. What are your future plans for online courses or programs? What barriers do you see in meeting those goals?

Dr. Gary Iman was nominated to be the moderator for the panel.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

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