

Distance Education Committee Meeting

2/22/2018 12-1 PM High Tech Center L-102

Attendees: Rechelle Mojica, Lou Ascione, Mike Charles, John Couture, Kats Gustafson, Wahid Hamidy, Paulette Hopkins, Scott Moller, Cheryl Reed, Chris Rodgers, Angela Romero, Trenton Tidwell

1. Agenda Approval (Moller motion, Ascione second)
2. 10/26/2017 Minutes Approval (Ascione motion, Reed second)
3. Meeting Reports and Updates:
 - a. Online Learning Pathways (Gustafson) – 3/5/2018 – launch of 8-hour Canvas Transition Course for faculty who are already online-certified; June for new/uncertified faculty; also continued Blackboard certification training for uncertified faculty through September; We plan to have 8 pilot courses – 2 from each site; in April or May, we will send a questionnaire to solicit fully online pilot projects for Fall 2018. We will stop offering courses in Blackboard after Fall 2018. Grade records are to be maintained for 2 years. Syllabus to be sent to VPs. They hope to offer flex credit for the Canvas transition course.
 - b. 2018 Online Teaching Conferences – Mojica summarized her recent conference attendance and offered summaries
 - c. OER (Ascione) – faculty coordinator needed asap, to visit department meetings to seek faculty input, and to interact with a librarian to curate a catalog of available OER, in an effort to launch courses using these by Spring 2019; Mojica contacted an OER representative at Mesa College as a resource for our librarians
 - d. OTC 2018 – Hopkins advises that there is funding available, and suggests talking to Denise Maduli-Williams or Brenda Wilborn to seek funding for attendance
 - e. Canva – good online source of professionally created images and text that can be used in your online courses, including some free of charge
www.canva.com

Next meeting: March 22, 2018