

Information Technology Committee
February 17, 2016 at 10 a.m. via Adobe Connect.

The meeting of the Information Technology Committee via Adobe Connect was convened at 10:03 a.m.

Roll Call

Attendees: Julie Cascio, Joanne Healy, Rorik Peterson, Ruth Prato, Siri Tuttle, Chris Lott ex officio, Debra Kouda ex officio, Fred Schlutt ex officio

Not present: Falk Huettmann, Eric Collins, Bill Barnes, Martha Mason ex officio

Adobe Connect – Chris Lott shared information on setting this up and that eLearning is using it as it works for some Online teachers. Thoughts noted include:

There is a cost... \$19/mo for a room that contains up to 25 users.

People should probably mute the mic when they aren't talking. Switch to single speaker mode can help.

Use of Blackboard Collaborate Feedback – One comment indicated that learning to use multiple mics in the meeting was helpful. Using Blackboard Collaborate as a class seemed to work better than for a meeting some thought. The effect was described like an old-fashioned teleconference, except with diminished sound quality at times.

Maintaining student records from online book sources – Rorik Peterson looked into assignments turned in via McGraw Hill or other book to keep for a long enough time period. One is an automatic score that gets aggregated into the Blackboard. Grades were not being populated. He could not get information so will report next meeting.

eLearning's efforts to bring Quality Matters to UAF– Chris shared the design on this rubric used for faculty development to look at quality. He asked for interest, and who else would be interested in learning about this. Some comments included interested in applying this rubric to courses and that would like to take a copy of this rubric to my next department meeting. Having an account with QM to get a look at the rubric is interested. Overall scores are sent to the teacher being looked at. Chris shared information that can be shared with Faculty Senate. Attached is the text of a Teaching Tip about Quality Matters and the one-page summary of the Rubric QM uses for peer reviews. This is available by signing up to the free account

Explorance Blue – Chris reported that Andrea sent letter via this on what has happened now. Paper evaluation was 60% in past. Decline is not as steep as expected. Online is lower which was to be expected in this first year being used. The website created will be going online soon to promote using these. Inspire us! Is the theme and is designed to help students understand how important this is. Chris will connect to see why Siri did not see her student responses yet. He said there may have not been enough responses or got caught in SPAM. Joanne shared that she allowed in class time for responses but students

responses were minimal and incomplete. Another comment was that some are voluminous responses!

OIT faculty engagement - Debra connected via a mobile phone, which made this connection more difficult to hear. Debra said work on the Lecture capture is in progress. Working with Faculty engagement has not started yet.

Page Up - Julie reported that she called two universities that were listed on the ppt about this program. Kansas State University reported it was used only for employee recruitment. University of Alabama was also called. Neither used it for faculty evaluation.

Next Meeting –

March 23, 2016, 10 am CANVAS. Falk will facilitate using this platform

April 20, 2016, 10 am Platform suggestions

The meeting adjourned at 10:56 am

Chair, Julie Cascio