## **Distance Education Council**

March 25, 2022 2:00pm

## **Minutes**

- I. Establish Quorum (9 voting Members Required) In attendance: Angie Anderson, Jani Barker, Jeremy Blackwood, Karl Frinkle, K Gamble, Austin Harmon, Nick Nichols, Michael Reed, Dena Rymel, Kate Shannon, Christala Smith, Hallie Stephens, Sandra Thomas, Jeri Walker,
- II. Call to Order: 2:07
- III. LMS Committee Vote: moved to approve Jeri Walker, seconded Kate Shannon., in favor: opposed: abstained:

Discussion included question about transition. K-16 will move the content from the current LMS to the new one. We will partner with them to move it into a template. IT will help clean up the copy. The Pilot group will help refine the process. Faculty can choose to use K-16 or not. Cost is \$65 a course plus student worker or full-time faculty pay. Christala shared and reviewed the proposal.

How do we get volunteers for the pilot process? Cohorts can be organized and meet monthly 6 months out. A month out the cohorts will meet weekly. We have faculty who has experience with Canvas for mentoring. Cohorts form throughout the year. Faculty can choose their cohort based on group selection.

From now to end of summer CIDT will set up demos with Canvas and their instructional design to develop templates. In August we will have a survey for faculty to choose their preferences of templates. The finalized template draft will be ready by end of September for the first cohort.

Anyone in DEC who wants to participate in the demos this summer can. However, you can wait until August. We can still get into the Canvas sandbox and we now will have our full account. All CIDT members are enrolled. Christala can add anyone into the sandbox right now. If this goes through all the approvals, weekly emails will be sent out concerning tips for using Canvas. Students will receive SE Extended messages bi-weekly to help transition.

The vote is taken electronically so all can have a voice. Please vote before the cut-off Monday, March 28 at noon.

- IV. Other Business Jani Barker expressed thanks to the committee and complimented their thorough work. Nick Nichols also commended the committee and asked about announcing the choice. Christala Smith indicated announcements are fine with the provision that the proposal has several more steps to make before it is implemented.
- V. Adjourn: 2:30

Next Meeting – April 22, 2022

Respectfully submitted: Jeri Walker