



CLUSTER MEETING MINUTES

[Interdisciplinary/Library]

Thursday, March 24, 2011

1:30-3:00 p.m.

Lake Worth Campus

ITEM 1. What are discipline-specific ethics that are currently being used in your courses?

Discussion: We have the ACRL Standards # 5 that addresses “ethics”: “The information literate student understands many of the economic, legal, and social issues surrounding the use of information and accesses and uses information ethically and legally”. We teach this in our classes, especially when we talk about plagiarism and also when we have copyright programs. “Privacy” is one of the issues addressed by librarians when talking about information literacy.

Data/data source: ACRL standards at :

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/acrl/issues/infolit/standards/stnd5/index.cfm>

Action: Will continue to address when teaching

ITEM 2 Information literacy.

Discussion: Connie mentioned that the wording of the statement on Information Literacy as a GenEd outcome of the College has been changed recently and that it no longer includes “technology”. The consensus was that we embody information literacy and that almost everything we already do is related to information literacy.

Data/data source: (Our web page on Information Literacy: <http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/x6426.xml>)

Action: Will continue to address when teaching

ITEM 3. Nomination of courses for inclusion in General Education

Discussion: We have not been teaching the 2 library courses LIS 1002 and LIS 2004. Doug is being certified in e-learning and is thinking of teaching LIS 2004 online.

Action: At this time we would not suggest any library classes to be included in GenEd.

ITEM 4. General Education Assessment Results

A. Ways to support suggested improvement strategies of College Committees

Discussion: We identified 3 (Strategies 3, 5, 7) of the College's suggested improvement strategies that would be related to our Cluster:

3- We are doing and will keep doing APA and MLA workshops throughout the semesters.

5- There is in place a Plagiarism Resource Center, partially developed by the library. We agreed that the librarian's role is one of support when it comes to plagiarism. We also agreed to push the Plagiarism Resource Center to students and faculty.

#7- Connie went to the English Cluster's meeting to present them with a plan of a common library assignment that will include information literacy objectives. It will be up to the English Cluster to vote on adopting it.

B. Cluster suggested strategies to improve Communication & Critical Thinking

Discussion:

1. Should we increase the number of library instruction classes?
2. We should build our library collection with materials on Critical Thinking and identify those we already have.
3. Diana suggested that we have supporting assignments, like a semester long blog that requires students to participate with no extra work for the instructor.

Data/data source: Article by Harold Goss on blogging:

<http://tinyurl.com/3trbjvz>

Action: Build our library collection with materials on Critical Thinking. Discuss further ways we can get more library assignments and instruction incorporated into the curriculum.

ITEM 5. Other

A. Nomination and election of Cluster Scribe

Doug Cornwell agreed to be the next scribe. All concurred. Pat Alvarez will be the next Cluster Chair by succession.

B. SEFLIN training opportunity

SEFLIN has a service available to all staff called TechTalk at <http://www.tech-talk.com/> SEFLIN's Tech-Talk membership offers technology tips and computer skill-building resources through a weekly email subscription and access to Tech-Talk's website.

Doug announced the July 14th SEFLIN annual energizing conference since he is one of the organizers.

C. CCLA update

Annual user meeting will be held May 10th at the Broward College Library to give information on the happenings at CCLA and colleges updates.

Brian mentioned the mandate from the state about merging the community colleges and state universities library systems including a mutual "Discovery" OPAC system.

D. SpringerLink Demonstration

A representative from SpringerLink will be on our campus on May 2nd to demonstrate the system. This presentation could be for anyone including non-librarian faculty.

Attendance:

P. Alvarez
J. Cameron
D. Cornwell
L. Hogan
B. Kelley
R. Krull
D. Loreman
K. Myers
E. Rogers
S. Setterlund
C. Tuisku

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