



Strategies MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 9, 2012

1:00pm-4:00pm

Lake Worth Campus

ITEM 1.

Discussion:

Big Welcome to Jyrece McClendon and congrats regarding dissertation we will all be sending you positive thoughts!

We also congratulate Mark regarding his opportunity to present during the TASS conference in Ft. Lauderdale (March 17-19). If you'd like more information regarding the TASS conference or International Programing in Costa Rica please contact Mark.

ITEM 2.

Discussion:

New Cluster Chair was unanimously elected. Mark Hendrix will be leading the way!!

ITEM 3.

Discussion:

Pearson will be hosting 5 Faculty members to attend the FYE Conference in Orlando this upcoming Spring. Current list of attendees:

- Jyrece
- Magdela
- Pam
- Manny
- Jeannette

It was also mentioned that the NADE Conference will be in Colorado this year (Feb 27-March 2nd) for those who are thinking of attending.

ITEM 4.

Discussion:

POLO is live. To view or contribute visit our Gardens Library webpage or contact Magdala for more information.

Several clarifications were made regarding Black Board.

1. Only Full-time Faculty may instruct a hybrid SLS course
2. Any individual SLS instructor may require their courses to include a Black Board component. This includes a cost to the student and the normal approval process must be followed.

Action:

As suggested by our new Chair, an exploratory team consisting of Mark, Jyrece, Magdala, Jeannette and Manny will be reporting out their experience with a BB component at the Spring cluster meeting.

ITEM 5.

Discussion/Action:

Mark will develop an RFP for publishers to utilize if they would like to propose a product to our cluster. He requested that we all (SLS Cluster) send him our “wish list” via email. This “wish list” should include any resource that you feel the publisher should include in their proposal. Mark recommended splitting the your list into two columns, one being “must have” and the other “would be great”.

ITEM 6.

Discussion:

Peer Coaching Update (not peer mentoring☺)

There will be ongoing meetings with our Academic Council to assure all stake holders are included in this program. Jeannette requested that we send in any training material that we would like to share or contact her if you would like to review any training material. She will also notify the cluster of any important update regarding the Peer Coaching.

A pilot program is scheduled to begin in the Spring of 2013. Currently the coaches will volunteer but there is a possibility via a grant that they may receive a stipend. Richard shared the idea of using SGA points as incentive to recruit SGA members for possible Peer Coaches.

ITEM 7.

Other Business and Best Practices:

- If you've tried to receive permission to upload Drop Box to your office PC and have been denied by IT an option is to request for Administration Rights to your PC.
- We received several Handouts from Joyce which shared several simple, brilliant approaches to engage our classes in thoughtful reflection!
- Magdala and Manny will report out any findings and thoughts (during Spring meeting) regarding their Learning Community which they are independently working on in their respecting campuses.
- Mark will send updates about Spring training!
- Magdala and Dacota will keep us updated on any progress with the growth of our SLS course i.e. offering an SLS Seminar course along with our 3 Credit course.

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