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| **Distance Education Coordination Council**  Trelisa Glazatov, Rhiannon Lares, Kay Weiss, Jack Jackson,T.L. Brink, Denise Allen | | **2/8/2016**  **Agenda**  **1:30-2:30 pm**  **District Annex Conference room** | |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | | **FURTHER ACTION** |
| Review and Approval of Minutes | Approved by T.L. with modifications, seconded by Rhiannon | |  |
| Crafton Hills reports | Denise reported that Crafton has finished the substantial changes document and it went to the March board. The college has hired a couple of instructors that will teach online courses. Crafton is updating 4 courses in Curricunet whose DE addendums have disappeared from the system. ETC committee is reviewing OEI course rubric and the college’s instructor approval process. The college’s accessibility course through @One is currently postponed as @One revises the course. The CHC Academic Senate has voted to adopt the OEI resource NetTutor. | |  |
| Valley College Reports | Jack reported that the Online Program Committee met on March 7th. The committee will forward a resolution to the Academic Senate for a DE Coordinator position with 100% reassign time. Committee discussed the OEI MOU and decided to table the discussion for a while until other decision regarding the LMS is decided. Valley’s institution set standards for online courses’ retention and success are below the State average so the college will beginning looking at more data to identify challenges and propose solutions on improving retention and success rates. Data also indicates achievement SLOS are better for online courses than for face to face. The Student satisfaction survey will go out in April. Kay reported that from an administrative perspective the colleges is looking at course quality standards and continuous process improvement in the assignment of instructors for online courses. | |  |
| Distance Education Reports | Trelisa reported that the March 4th OEI event recordings are available on the TESS website: <http://www.valleycollege.edu/initiative-panels/archives> | |  |
| Discussion Items  Open Ed Conference (T.L.)  Results of Turnitin Survey (Rhiannon)  Canvas vs. Blackboard (Jack) | T.L. stated he and Romana Pires from VC attended the Open Ed conference earlier in the month and received some valuable information regarding OER and the State grant AB 798. Information regarding both OER and the grant are available at the following website: <http://cool4ed.org> . T.L. remarked that he thought the timeframe for the grant was too short to take advantage of and the key challenge will be persuading faculty to consider the use of open ed resources for their courses. Kay stted there was another related grant for builing a pathway for degrees that use OERs but that the timeline for submission was short as well. Committee discussed that the College Acad Senates should be proactive in discussing and adopting use of OER so future grants can be taken advantaged of.  Rhiannon reported on the results of the Turnitin Survey. The survey had 40 participants which is a good turnout considering there are a totoal of 60 faculty using Turnitin. Overall the respondents were satisfied/very satisfied with the product. DE office will forward the completed report created from the Research department to committee members to share.  <http://www.sbccd.org/~/media/Files/SBCCD/District/Research/Briefs/2015FA_TurnItInSurvey.pdf>  Jack reported that VC is not at a decision regarding moving to a different LMS. Based from the Online Program Committee faculty have concerns about how Canvas integrates with publisher content, the process to migrate and the amount of faculty training required to learn a new system and redesign their courses. The DECC discussed the comparison of Canvas vs. Blackboard including the financial comparison if the district was to keep Blackboard or migrate to Canvas. Trelisa communicated the current Bb roadmap on how long Bb would support the current version of Bb 9.1, clarified what Bb Ultra was and that because it is the next iteration of Blackboard that if we were to keep Blackboard at some point there would be a transistion and necessity to learn a new interface with Bb as well. The Committee provide Jack with some additional suggestions regarding how to move forward the process so that a decision can be reached, including discussion in Acad Senate, reaching out to other institutions (like Mt San Jacinto or Pasadena) who have made the discussion to find out how they addressed their faculty’s concerns. | |  |
| Next Meeting | April 11,2016 1:30 pm | |  |