

Online Program Committee Meeting

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2:00—3:15pm

Minutes

Present:

Jack Jackson, Co-chair

Kay Weiss, Co-chair

Patty Jones, Dawn Adler, Tre Glazatov, Rhiannon Lares, Michael Torrez, Janet Courts, Teri Strong, Joe Notarangelo, J.D. Dulgeroff

Topic	Discussion
Minutes	Minutes of the previous meeting are posted on the SBVC website. Any corrections to the minutes should be directed to one of the co-chairs.
Stats for Fall, 2015	Jackson gave an overview of the relevant statistics for DE at SBVC for the fall semester: 252 DE sections, 33 department, approximately 140 faculty members
Blackboard summer upgrade	Tre reported on the Blackboard summer upgrade. Everything went well. No major glitches or major problems.
Coordinator of Distance Education	There was a lengthy discussion of the need for a coordinator of Distance Education. A position description will be written and sent through the program review process. Program Review is not particularly well suited for such a proposal, but the consensus was that it has to go that route, and then be approved by the academic senate as well.

Canvas and the OEI	<p>Crafton seems to be on board with shifting from Blackboard to Canvas to facilitate participation in the OEI. Again, lengthy discussion about whether the “decision has already been made at higher levels” and whether any discussion was a waste of time. The consensus that developed was that there needed to be a time line for having this conversation and making a decision. The suggested timeline was to take the fall and early spring to investigate Canvas and compare and take an assessment of what it would really take to make the move. Then by the end of the spring semester, the Academic Senate could vote and we could see where we are at that point.</p>
OEI rubric for assessing the quality of online learning	<p>A couple years ago, this committee decided to use CSU Chico’s rubric for assessing the quality of online classes. Now, however, the OEI has an extensive and expansive rubric that is being used with across the state. It was suggested that SBVC adopt the OEI rubric as the model rubric. No motion was made. But the rubric can be a useful tool, especially if the campus moves to Canvas and faculty members have to redesign their course anyway.</p>

Next Meeting	The date, time, and place of the meeting are yet to be determined. The committee will be informed when those items are clarified. But our next meeting will not be until the fall semester.
Meeting Adjourned	The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 pm.