



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

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***eLearning Council Meeting***

***Minutes***

**August 18, 2022**

**1:30 – 3:00 pm**

**via Zoom**

**Attendees:** Pat McConnel, Tania Muglia, Cindy Miller, Brian Daricek, Clay Taylor, Brian Still, Susan Mengel, David Doerfert, Liz Beaty, Eloy Guerra, Sarah Schwintz, Jody Roginson, Jameshia Granberry, Celia Merrill, Sandra Huston, Vickie Sutton, Heather Greenhalgh-Spencer, Carlos Carpio, Jennifer Hughes, Jessica Carrillo

- 1) **Call to order-** Dr. Justin Louder called the meeting to order at 1:31P.M.
- 2) **Approval of minutes from last meeting-** This item will be on the September agenda.
- 3) **Brief discussion on eLearning council leadership transition-** Dr. Brian Still spoke on the eLearning council leadership transition. Dr. Louder will be transitioning out of his role with eLearning. Dr. Clay Taylor will be the new Interim Chair for the eLearning Council.
- 4) **TopHat at Texas Tech-** Dr. Kathy Austin spoke on TopHat at Texas Tech. The campus has had an enormous, positive response to the integration of TopHat and are already doing more with the program than expected. Dr. Austin introduced Brian Daricek, the Enterprise Sales Manager for TopHat. Mr. Daricek introduced Tania Medalia and Shannon Graham, other TopHat team members who have been on campus meeting with faculty. The team gave a presentation showing the increases in TopHat uses this semester. They then went over the content solutions available. Dr. Austin wrapped up the presentation and asked for questions from the committee, there were none.
- 5) **New Distance Program Approvals**
  - a) **BA in Women's and Gender Studies:** Dr. Sarah Schwintz and Dr. Elizabeth Sharp spoke on the BA in Women's and Gender Studies. Dr. Heather Greenhalgh-Spencer made a motion to approve, and Dr. Jennifer Hughes seconded. The program was approved and moves to academic council.
  - b) **PhD in Personal Financial Planning:** Dr. Sarah Asebedo spoke on the PhD in Personal Financial Planning. Ms. Jody Roginson made a motion to approve, and Dr. Liz Beaty seconded. The program was approved and moves to the Graduate Program subcommittee.
  - c) **Energy Commerce Interdisciplinary Certificate:** Dr. Greenhalgh-Spencer spoke on the Energy Commerce Interdisciplinary Certificate. Dr. Austin made a motion to approve, and Dr. Carlos Carpio seconded. The program was approved and will move to the next step.
  - d) **Indigenous and Native American Studies:** Dr. David Doerfert spoke on Indigenous and Native American Studies. Dr. Carpio made a motion to approve, and Dr. Hughes seconded. The program will now move to the graduate council subcommittee.
  - e) **MBA & MS in PFP:** Ms. Jessica Carrillo spoke on the MBA and MS in PFP. Ms. Roginson made a motion to approve, and Ms. Celia Merrill seconded. The program was approved and will move to graduate council subcommittee.

- f) **Spanish for Specific Purposes in Ag-** Tabled until September Meeting
  - g) **Teaching and Training in Human Sciences:** Dr. Cindy Miller spoke on Teaching and Training in Human Sciences. Dr. Austin made a motion to defer to academic council first, then send it back through the eLearning Council. Ms. Roginson seconded the motion and the council approved of the deferment.
- 6) **Correspondence/Self-Paced Courses-** Dr. Clay Taylor spoke on correspondence/self-paced courses. He provided a presentation with information on what they are looking at to begin the program, the target population, and finances.
  - 7) **Blackboard Roles Update:** Dr. Louder introduced the Blackboard roles updates and Dr. Austin spoke on the update. There were issues found by the TTU Audit team, so the university is updating expectations for roles and associated permissions in Blackboard. Dr. Louder will send a document with changes to the council and will discuss more in the future.
  - 8) **Social Learning Tools-** Dr. Austin spoke on social learning tools. She gave a brief history of social learning tools at TTU. The decision has been made to work with the technology we have and not add any new programs at this time.
  - 9) **Proctoring Evaluation:** Dr. Austin spoke on the Proctoring Evaluation. There will be a committee formed in September to look over the evaluation data and make some decisions. Once the committee makes some decisions, they will be brought to the eLearning Council for their additions and suggestions.
  - 10) **Salesforce Implementation-** Dr. Austin will be updating the council on salesforce implementation throughout the fall semester.
  - 11) **Blackboard Updates-** Mr. Jesuseloy Guerra had one update. The annual archive will happen tomorrow. Dr. Austin added that they are working on modifications for the vet school as well.
  - 12) **Open Discussion/Announcements-**There were none.
  - 13) **Adjourn-** Dr. Louder adjourned the meeting at 2:58 P.M.

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