



eLearning Council Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2023

1:30-3:00 pm via Teams

Attendees: Clay Taylor, Kasey Anthony, Liz Beaty, Ashlee Brown, Michael Carter, Jongpil Cheon, Christiana Christofides, Sabrina Davis, Leslie Debusk, Elissa Zellinger, Gina Monaghan, Heather Greenhalgh-Spencer, Eloy Guerra, Chin Hsiao, Sandra Huston, Danny Kirkpatrick, Terry Knight, Mahyar Hadighi, Celia Merrill, Dennis Patterson, Otto Ratheal, Jody Roginson, Sahu Pradip, Sarah Schwintz, Stephanie Shine, Lewis Snell, Dino Villegas, Vickie Sutton

- 1.) **Call to Order:** Dr. Clay Taylor called the meeting to order at 1:31 PM.
- 2.) **Approval of minutes from Last Meeting:** Ms. Jodi Roginson made a motion to approve, and Dr. Dino Villegas seconded. The minutes were approved by the council.
- 3.) **New Distance Program Approvals/ Program Changes**
 - a) Accelerated Bachelor to Master in HS (academic program approval)
Dr. Ashlee Brown spoke on the Accelerated Bachelor to Master in HS.
Ms. Liz Beaty made a motion to approve, and Dr. Mahyar Hadighi seconded. The program will move on to Graduate Council.
 - b) Bachelor of Business Administration (add online modality)
Dr. Villegas spoke on the Bachelor of Business Administration.
Dr. Celia Merrill made a motion to approve, and Dr. Jongpil Cheong seconded. The program will move on to Academic Council.
 - c) Chinese Undergraduate Minor (add online modality)
Ms. Chin-Ni Hsiao spoke on the Chinese Undergraduate Minor.
Ms. Sabrina Davis made a motion to approve, and Dr. Villegas seconded. The program will now move to Academic Council.
 - d) Early Childhood Education and Family Policy (new graduate certificate)
Dr. Stephanie Shine spoke on the Early Childhood Education and Family Policy Certificate.
Ms. Roginson made a motion to approve, and Dr. Vickie Sutton seconded. The program will move to Graduate Council.
- 4.) **IT Division Updates:** Mr. Eloy Guerra gave the IT Updates. IT will host a Codon learning session on May 2nd. If interested, please let Dr. Kathy Austin or Mr. Guerra know.
- 5.) **Blackboard Updates:** Ms. Leslie DeBusk and Mr. Guerra gave the Blackboard updates. Archives will happen the second week of August for Fall 2020-Summer 2021. Summer 2023 courses are already in Blackboard, fall courses will be available in July.
- 6.) **Regional Site Updates:** Dr. Dennis Patterson gave an update on the new DFW site. The lease has been signed for the new building and there will be a soft opening this fall. He is working on getting new programs for the site and focusing on hybrid courses.

7.) **Simple Syllabus Demo:** Guest – Ms. Gina Monaghan gave a presentation on Simple Syllabus and the ways it works within Blackboard.

8.) **Open Discussion / Announcements:**

Dr. Sutton let the council know that the Lawschool has decided to let faculty decide if students can use Artificial Intelligence in courses and asked what the University has decided. The AI working group will have recommendations for the University soon. The TLPDC has some information available with syllabus language.

10.) **Adjourn:** Dr. Hadighi made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Roginson seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 2:36 PM.

Next Meeting: No May Meeting – will eVote.

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