# Distance Education Committee Meeting Minutes

May 8th, 2020 10:00AM - 12:00PM on Zoom (https://4cd.zoom.us/j/9651071221)

Attendees: Maritez Apigo (English, Campus Instructional Designer), Carlos-Manuel Chavarria (Drama), Anthony Gordon (Art, POCR Lead), Michael Kilivris (Humanities/Philosophy, DE Coordinator), Monica Landeros (Political Science, DE Trainer and Campus Online Accessibility Specialist), Jessica Le (Medical Assisting), Jennifer Ounjian (Psychology), Karen Ruskowski (Curriculum), Erica Watson (Library)

#### I. Approval of 4/10/20 Meeting Minutes

A. The committee voted to approve these minutes.

## II. Committee Updates

### A. DE/DDEC

- 1. Michael shared that the 4CD Online Teaching Institute is still looking for facilitators from CCC for expanded and new sections of *Becoming an Effective Online Instructor*.
- 2. Maritez reminded that Jeffrey Michels (UF) is seeking additional compensation for facilitators.
- 3. Michael announced that Maritez Apigo will be the new DE Coordinator starting next semester (fall 2020).
- Maritez shared that there will be 8 additional DE-related positions next year, funded through the CARES Act: Instructional Designer (2), Accessibility Specialist (2), DE Student Support Specialist, POCR Lead, OER Coordinator, DE Support Specialist.

#### B. PD

1. Carlos-Manuel shared that there will be a new Professional Development website, Grow@4CD, where faculty will create and enroll in workshops.

## III. Technology

- A. New tools: Blackboard Ally, TechSmith Relay, Cranium Cafe, Labster
  - 1. Monica explained that CCC now has the student-facing side of Blackboard Ally, an accessibility tool that allows students to convert PDF files into other accessible formats.
  - 2. Monica stated that the district's license with TechSmith Relay ends in December.
  - 3. Erica shared that she has heard from faculty at other colleges that Labster is "wonky."

#### IV. DE Addenda

- A. Action item: approve revised addendum and addendum for emergency situations
  - 1. Karen asked if percentages of face-to-face vs. online for hybrid courses needs to be carried over from the previous form.
  - 2. Maritez suggested replacing the section on regular and effective contact, rolled over from the previous form, with the Accreditation Preparation Checklist.

a) The committee agreed to make this revision.

- 3. Carlos-Manuel asked if Title 5 regulations concerning publisher content apply to requiring students to purchase films. Jennifer offered to ask Catherine Frost (A&R) about this.
- 4. Karen questioned the order of signatures carried over from the previous form.
  - a) The committee agreed to revise this part of the addendum.
- 5. The committee voted to approve the new DE Addendum.
- 6. Carlos-Manuel asked if the Addendum for DE in Emergency Situations would cover personal emergencies.
- 7. Maritez suggested that all courses might need approval for emergency situations.
- 8. Karen said that a second addendum might not fit into eLumen.
- 9. Maritez suggested adding both addenda to the DE webpage, and clearly distinguishing the two.
- 10. The committee voted to approve the Addendum for DE in Emergency Situations.

## V. **DE Faculty Handbook**

- A. Action item: approve DE Faculty Handbook as supplement to DE addendum
  - 1. The committee agreed to have a special meeting to approve this on Friday, 5/15.

#### VI. 2019-2020 Accomplishments

- A. Michael shared a list of the DE Committee's accomplishments over the past year, and congratulated and thanked all committee members for their leadership.
- VII. Next Meeting? Special meeting scheduled for Friday, May 15th 9:00 -10:00AM on Zoom