UAS Regional TLTR Meeting
2/16/2012, 9:30-11:00 AM
Mourant Conference Room, UAS Juneau campus

In attendance: Emily Wall, Hildegard Sellner, Carol Hedlin, Mona Yarnall, Lee Graham, Maren Haavig, Mark Thompson, Jennifer Ward, Tony Martin, Colleen McKenna, Kim Schulte, Maureen O'Halloran, Jon Martin, Megan Buzby, Marnie Chapman

Minutes from January 26, 2012 meeting –approved with change to Hildegard's last name.

Statewide Technology Survey
Statewide technology survey follow-up – OIT is setting up forums at each MAU. They are looking to meet with the TLTR and students, potentially on March 1. Carol will get back to us with dates/times.

Blackboard Updates
Still on the timeline. Export tool is available for faculty to test. Tool exports UASOnline content to an IMS file that can be imported into Blackboard (IMS is the industry standard format). Functions from UASOnline are mostly available in Blackboard, but they won't always import to the right location. Ex. Import tool in Blackboard won't take "Tasks" and change them to "Assignments" in Blackboard. In order to improve the tool, Blackboard would need to make an exception to their licensing agreement to allow UAS to access its proprietary code.

They are working on installing CampusPack – a bundle/module that provides enhancements such as E-Live and social networking/media. Still working out some issues – UAA is having the same issues. Several TLTR members have used CampusPack and find it to be a vitally important addition.

Marnie suggests working closely with UAA and UAF as we implement our BB. Maureen says that Chris Beks from UAF BB team would like to form a collaborative group from all three MAUs.

Fall course sites should be available in March.

Scheduling Faculty Training
iTeach – 5 day intensive workshop, traditionally for a limited number of faculty. Designed for those who use a lot of technology in their courses. Sitka iTeach dates will be finalized soon likely in June.

Maureen submitted a budget proposal for BB training. Proposes coming to each campus to train the trainers and early adopters soon – potentially March. Broad training for all faculty in April, after fall courses are available. Broad training will include workshops and hands-on training with some evening sessions to target adjuncts.

Final training will coordinate with convocation. Maureen encourages people to contact her anytime if they have individual concerns or questions.

Elluminate sessions would be useful for adjuncts who are not here in Juneau.

Maureen will make a web site with FAQs and a training calendar. She is looking for a site name. Two possibilities: 1) Instructional Design Center, conflicts with the current Sitka name, but could be handled. 2) Teaching, Learning, Technology Center? Ties it to TLTR.

Tuition Waivers
Corinne/financial aid supports tuition waivers for student reps. The following rules apply:
- Grad students are not eligible
- Student must be in a degree program (Certificates apply, Occupational Endorsements do not), and must be taking courses toward that program
- Student must be eligible for financial aid in general (taking 12 credits, etc.).
- Equivalent to a stipend and must be acknowledged on taxes (form 1098).

Each campus can use its discretionary tuition waivers for a campus rep (rather than a regional rep), and then those students could also serve on the regional committee.

Hildegard will bring a student worker (Math tutor, Eric Keller) from the Learning Center for the remainder of the semester. Eric will be paid out of the Learning Center budget.

Jesse Grant is going to ask student government to recommend a student rep. Jennifer will tell him that it will be for next fall.

Other Topics
UAS had to pay $1,300 for an unlicensed image from Getty images that was on our Web site. There is a pool of images available from UAS photographers that are legal for us to use.

In classes, fair use gives us more latitude. Due to an old policy, UASOnline defaults to making resources available to the public. Instructors must use advanced tools to restrict course material access to the class roster. This topic should stay on the radar for Blackboard migration. UAS Blackboard is currently set up to comply with the UAS policy – i.e. it defaults to open access.

TLTR should continue this discussion: Should the policy be changed to lock resources down by default? Uas is liable for content copyright – particularly an issue with materials provided by textbook publishers. There are also intellectual property issues to consider.

Next meeting:
Tentatively March 1 – 10:00 AM, subject to change. Carol will get back to us about the statewide IT forums, which may influence the date and time of the meeting.