

Affordable Learning Solutions Subcommittee

Meeting of January 12, 2015

Present: Sylvester Donelson Jr., James Murray, Corazon Napolis, Eric Neumann, Aline Soules, Missy Wright, Jingwen Yang

Guest: Tracy Williford

1. Introductions

Members:

Mavis Braxton-Newby, Sylvester Donelson Jr., Eduina Escobar, James Murray, Corazon Napolis, Missy Wright, Jingwen Yang, Eric Neumann, Marie Alexandra Ibarra, Aline Soules

2. Elect a Chair and a Secretary

Aline Soules elected chair (Jim, Sylvester)

Missy Wright elected chair (Jim, Sylvester)

- AL\$ Grant – able to get \$11,800 for next year
 - Offer (\$1000) incentives for faculty – got 5 faculty applications (*1 faculty backed out – need to get explanations out to faculty for what markups are as faculty member had concern over costs)
 - Linda Dobb and Roger Wen would like us to offer \$ for 30-35 faculty to go online with their courses. We can't fund all of them with our grant money
 - Analysis of course readers – faculty don't want to share this. Aline will work with Sylvester and accessibility services for progressing here

Discussion on copyright concerns

- Sylvester posed question about looking at standards for faculty
 - States that they meet the prices of any copying places and wonders if this message is out to faculty
- Jim suggested if we can make it easier and faster for faculty, faculty will choose that option
 - E.g., faculty get admin help to go through Blackboard sites to clean these things up
- **Possible next steps**
 - Get faculty to know about portal for uploading documents to duplicating services Look at library e resources
 - Update website to make it easier for faculty to know how to follow copyright issues
 - Get Blackboard to be able to access metadata

- **Action Item:** Eric will investigate a copyright “button” to ask faculty to verify that articles are copyright compliant. This means that we will have to ensure faculty know how to determine this.

GOALS for committee this year

1. **write a white paper:** Faculty, student, staff perspectives and try to suggest ways in which we can address some of the major issues.
Need subcommittees for:
 - *Student* issues of affordability in general – Marie, Sylvester, and Coco
 - *Staff* issues – Sylvester, Aline, Coco
 - *Faculty* issues – Mavis, Jim, Sylvester (ex officio), Jingwen
2. Select one or two issues from the list of issues to work on for the rest of the year.

Action Item

- Develop a brief list for next meeting (Monday February 23rd)
 - Deadline to get list to Aline is Monday February 9th
 - Aline will send out list around February 16th and we can look it over to discuss what 1 or 2 issues we will try to tackle