

## **Focus on Teaching Committee Meeting Minutes from April 16, 2009**

Members present: Angela Gerling, Bill Guinee, Scott Lowe, James Micah, Therese Miller, & Carolyn Perry.

Minutes from the previous meeting were amended to include James in the attendance list. Otherwise, the minutes were approved as presented.

The faculty professional development day for August was the main topic of discussion. It was decided that having a keynote speaker in person was a better choice than using someone as an online presenter. Bill Guinee and Scott Lowe shared some names and ideas for FPD. Bill mentioned that Michael Wess has some Web 2.0 videos that could be starters for some teaching activities. Therese shared some information about Dave Starrett from SEMO. He coordinates their Center for Scholarship in Teaching and Learning and has a variety of topics that he could speak on if we use him as our keynote speaker.

For now, we are planning the basic format for the day to start with the keynote speaker at 9am. Then after a short break, we'd reconvene for six to eight 10 - 15-minute presentations that would highlight and get faculty interested in the possibilities of various teaching with technology practices. Some of the proposed presentations were:

- \* Use of Smart Board (Interactive)
- \* Concept Mapping (Integrating knowledge)
- \* Partially Online Class (sharing, expert access) blogging, wikis, Google docs, etc.
- \* Online Media - (enhance instruction and springboard for discussion) YouTube, ItuneU (as receiver), TED videos
- \* Turn-it-in & ANGEL – (course management tools) Grade book, discussion boards, webpage, plagiarism detection
- \* Entourage Outlook, RSS – (Time Saving Tools)
- \* Library Technology and Research Tools – Credo Reference and assessing web credibility, etc.
- \* Online Databases, Social Bookmarking - (DIGGO)
- \* Others? (more ideas to come? - 2nd life, Google life, 3D scanner????)

Then we'd break for lunch and have afternoon sessions where faculty pick a technology from the morning 'Technology Sampling' session and work together to practice, develop expertise, complete a task, etc. with support available. Discussion boards and/ or follow-up meeting groups will be created for future problem solving, communication, questions and answers.

Therese will check with David on the SEMO technology showcase which is April 29<sup>th</sup> and see if that would be a good time to visit and learn more about their approach of integrating the CTE with faculty development.

Submitted by Angela Gerling