

## **LTDC Meeting Minutes**

### **DRAFT**

April 21-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008  
Green Lake

**Monday afternoon, April 21<sup>st</sup>.**

### **UW-System Plans and Issues**

(Ed Meachen and Alan Foley)

1. Alan taking a new position this summer at Syracuse University
2. Alan talked about the key strategic areas moving forward. He reminded us of the LTDC Strategic Planning in 2006 that outlined the position's role.
3. Curricular Redesign Grants
  - a. The curricular redesign funds that are a straight-through pass to campuses are not affected.
  - b. With these CR Grants, it is important to have more than year-end reports by the P.I.'s. A few grant projects do have momentum beyond the year – for example, the hybrid course project, podcasting, clickers. It's very important to have foresight about this budget.
4. Ed talked about the Funds being reallocated from CRG, Library Automation, PK16, and IT funds (about \$350,000) to go for a System Program on Diversity. Our CRG funds will be reduced for 08-09 by about \$40,000. Perhaps System will "strip" more funds in 2010. This actually gives us time to cycle through these grants for the coming year.
5. Ed talked about another UW-System position will be filled at the same time as LTDC LT Liaison position. Lisa Kornetsy's position is now posted as an interim 2 year position. Ed wants to make better connections between the two positions.
6. What should LTDC do to strategize and make a case to keep this CRG funding and re-envision the LTDC position?
  - a. Make sure there are faculty advocates
  - b. Not lead off talking about the technology, talk about the teaching, learning, and research. The librarian group did that with access to research and teaching issues (didn't make it library-centric). LTDC connects the technology to the academic side.
  - c. Work together with Ed to create the position, integral with UWS Academic Affairs and OLIT both.
  - d. Demonstrate the importance of this area and show outcomes to Academic Affairs.
7. What are the logistical strategies for taking action?
  - a. As LTDC is a political action group, campuses are powerful forces with System.
  - b. Advocate for specific strengths in the LTDC position. Re-invent the position if necessary.

- c. One idea is to possibly create a new program with OPID and new grant area.
- d. Faculty advocates need to say the CR Grants are relevant still and necessary to transform teaching with technology.
- e. Bank off the Advocate Wisconsin initiative at UW-System.
- f. Possibly have the LTDC Executive Committee (and others?) present to the VP of Academic Affairs that technology is integral to teaching and learning. Timeframe for this should be before Alan leaves, say by mid-summer at latest. It would be ideal to have both Lisa and Alan there when we meet with VP. Ed advises keeping our LTDC message positive, focused, and simple. It will be hard to say no to our compelling ideas. Ed mentioned that the current turnover at UWSA is an opportunity for us.
- g. Leverage the current strategic initiatives at UW System – increase student enrollment, Advocate Wisconsin, and create new high-paying jobs are some key topics at System.

### **Extend LMS (Alan)**

Continue as is for this year. Got renewal from Adobe. Price almost same. Some discussion about if Breeze Presenter will be part of the upgrade. Alan will work with ICS on this.

### **Centralized ePortfolio Plans and Discussion**

#### **Presentation by University of Minnesota-Duluth, Paul Treur**

Met with the ITMC group

Talked about their OSeP project.

Great interest from their Medical School and Pharmacy School

Links on the handout:

Look at a public Student Portfolio:

<https://portfolio.umn.edu/portfolio/public/norr0059/215508>

Paul Treur link:

<https://portfolio.umn.edu/portfolio/public/ptreuer/215172>

There is a presentation available under the Career section

### **0809 CRG Review**

Will forge ahead on reviewing the current round of 8 or so proposals. (\$220,000 approximately available)

### **Emerging Tech Grants Status**

So far this year, LTDC funded 4 grants, with a 5<sup>th</sup> one approved but with next fiscal year funding.

For future grant proposals, we should use next fiscal year funding. Takes about 4 business weeks to process (through the LTDC Executive Committee and System).

### **Streaming Media Service budget**

Budget needs to eventually come out of another pot of funding. System is asking why the CR funding is supporting a particular technology. Alan has figured out (with Peter Mann, Streaming Media Service lead) a transition plan.

### **Communication Report**

ePedagogy Sessions in discussion with LTDC Communications committee about taking over the sessions. Logistics are still being worked out.

### **Discussion of Provost letter**

Introducing this activity has to come at the right time otherwise our provosts will not do anything.

Professional Development Coordinator, Grants Director...identify these people on each campus and they can make the announcement according to campus policy. Can also track communications.

We may need to be more “information giving” about what we do. We may need to rethink how we do this next time around.

### **Poster Session**

Do we want a poster session as part of our meeting?

Are we preaching to the people that already know what we do?

Could faculty be involved? Tied to the grant?

Not in favor of a poster session, but rather inviting faculty to present to LTDC would be best. We can do this webinar style at one of our meetings as an option, but encourage face-to-face presentations.

### **Quality Matters**

Not sure where things are at. The group met in October. We wrote a proposal to have each campus have one person to take the peer review three week online training, than at that time decide if we want more training.

Donna attended the training in Dec. She thinks it was very well done and we should move ahead.

Stout, Whitewater and Superior has Quality Matters site license.

If 5 campuses join then it is a system license consideration.

The committee will resurrect the proposal.

### **Site Visit to D2L**

Alan and Lorna

Had some real focus time to talk with the folks. Focused on performance problems. There is a specific project dedicated to NOT repeat last years end of semester issues.

Spoke about the patent case and how D2L has responded to that.

Lorna has a good feeling about the new version. Respondous Lock down works. Turn It In should have integration this summer. If you are using a third party product and want it to integrate with D2L ask that vendor to approach D2L. D2L will most likely not approach them.

Archiving – D2L said we have not given them enough specs for them to develop the tool. They really have grown. Now they have over 100 employees. The average age is 31 and employees are really committed to coming up with a good eLearning product.

Alan was impressed with the Portfolio and Repository. It's a more distributed environment.

### **Leadership Retreat**

June 5&6. On the Madison campus. A reminder email will go out this week on how to register and reserve your lodging. It's a chance for us to get a way and focus on the LTDC group and the different aspects of leadership.

**Tuesday, April 22, 2008**

### **EPortfolio in UW-Stevens Point**

Pat Ploeck

They have spent the last three years experimenting with eportfolios. Did a comparison of products. Looked at Duluth's and met with UM-Duluth (Paul) on their OSeP project. Have asked UM-Duluth to work with them to pilot this software. Trying to get a few campuses to do a pilot with eportfolios.

Interest with Dance, Paper Science and Engineering, Education, English, and Theatre/Design faculty. Also their personnel/admin dept head interested in using these with faculty on documenting their tenure process. Would like 3-4 institutions to come up with issues, concerns, continuity questions, etc. while working with the OSP software. If interested, see Pat.

### **Campus Reports**

Communications sub-committee will take the suggestion about having 5 or so major themes in each campus report for the year. Also discussed taking a topic and updating the campus at each report on status, lessons learned.

### **D2L LOR**

The CUWL group joined us.

K. Pletcher: There is a proposal from D2L that says the LOR and ePortfolio could be part of the license renewal. Think about a learning repository strategy for UW System. Lots of projects and tools out there but they are not well-known by all.

Alan F.: The audio/video for this session will be recorded.

Need some LTDC LOR analysis: Have CUWL representation too. Pat Ploetz will lead this for LTDC (with Lorna, Andy, Mary, Pat Fellows, etc)

### **D2L ePortfolio**

Demo by D2L, seems more student-oriented than the MN one.

Alan asked for person(s) in LTDC quick task force to take a month and do further analysis. Do a quick survey, comparison, look at some products, get back to LTDC, do some possible pilots. Know about the various campuses use of eportfolios tools.

Bob Kaleta and Matt Russell (new) at Milwaukee wants to take the lead and further explore the D2L eportfolio with a test site, involve faculty. (Many campuses seem interested in being a part of this, Tom, Lorna, Pat P.etc)

Talk briefly about both at the June Leadership Seminar.

### **Discussion and Wrap-Up**

#### **General Elections:**

Donna and Pat Eagen going off.

Pat Fellows will be chair.

Looking for nominations – Lorna Wong, Rich Berg, Andy Speth.

Executive Committee will decide on Chair-Elect.

Decision: Andy and Lorna.

#### **Fall Planning Committee**

Will meet separately in fall.

When? November?

Host? Stevens Point can host.

Pat and Executive Group will pass dates around and get back to us.