

COLLEGE OF THE SISKIYOU
INSTRUCTION COUNCIL MINUTES – MEETING #13

Friday, April 24, 2015

Board Room

Present: Neil Carpentier-Alting, Dave Clarke, Vickie Donaldson, Tim Frisbie, Eric Houck, Valerie Roberts, Bart Scott, Nancy Shepard, Greg South, Bob Taylor, Dennis Weathers

Absent: Brian Busk, Steve Reynolds, Dennis Roberts, Chris Vancil

Item 1. Approval of Minutes from Meeting 12

A motion was made to approve the minutes from meeting 12 (Dave/Bob). No discussion. All in favor.

Item 2. Common Course Management System - Canvas

The CCC Online Education Initiative (OEI) has selected Canvas as its common course management system. The state considered Blackboard, Moodle and Canvas and selected Canvas. We currently use Etudes for online, video and face-to-face courses. Etudes charges us per student and we pay between \$20,000-\$30,000 per year for this service. This system works well for our needs. We will need to consider if we want to switch to Canvas in the future. It may be cheaper to use and it will be the CMS that many community colleges will use, making a connection between community colleges and an easier transition for students transferring from one community college to another. For now, we have just signed a two-year contract with Etudes and we have no reason to move to Canvas at this time. Nancy has a detailed comparison of Canvas vs. Etudes. If you would like to see it, let her know.

Item 3. Scheduling the Theater for In-House Events Before Outside Events

CTE had to move the Fire Academy graduation to an earlier time on May 16 because an outside vendor had already booked the theater for the evening. Bob believes that the Fire Academy graduation should take priority over outside activities, but this particular vendor booked the theater months ago and we have a contract with them, so it would be bad practice to back out now. The answer to this issue is to book campus events far in advance, by a year or two. The theater does try to book campus events first.

COS is now using School Dude for internal scheduling of classes, meetings and events, and external scheduling of events as well. Requesting space will be done online and go through an approval process. Dr. South will take this issue to Cabinet on Monday. CTE will work on getting their events scheduled with the theater earlier.

Item 4. Other

No other items were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:26 p.m.