

UAF Faculty Development, Assessment and Improvement Committee
Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2015

I. Kelly Houlton called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm.

II. Roll call

Present: Bill Barnes, Diana DiStefano, Cindy Fabbri

III. Report by UAF eLearning & Distance Education and the Office of Faculty Development

Chris reported that eLearning & Distance will be offering an online presentation on February 12 from 1 – 2 pm about “Making the World Your Lab”. Their third presentation with OIT for February is on Presence and Participation in Online Classrooms (February 19 from noon – 1 pm). Chris also reminded us that applications are open for the iTeach 4-day workshops March 6, 9, 11 and 13. Applications can be found at <http://iteach.uaf.edu/about/>

Joy reported that she would like to take a few new faculty members to the Lilly West conference in California this spring. She also informed us that she met with several Faculty Development specialists while she was in South Africa and will invite some of them to the POD conference as well.

IV. News on Electronic Course Assessment Implementation Committee (ECAI) - 0 Tc 0 Tw 31.88cl2(1e)ul.88
The ECAI is currently in the middle of the spring’s pilot of the electronic course evaluations as well as identifying a student cohort (aiming for 10% of students with online classes, colleges and delivery methods). This is proving to be a significant amount of work PAIR is doing right now. He informed us that they are currently working on about four open-comment questions. He and Sally, a representative from eXplorance Blue last Friday and set up the pilot for the next few months in order to have the evaluations made available to students. The first week will be a “kick-off” meeting with eXplorance Blue to learn more about the information they will need from Banner and Blackboard. Last week, the ECAI attended the ASUAF meeting to get some student feedback on the pilot and stand now. The core questions will be posted on the Faculty Survey and we will begin to gather faculty feedback.

“generalists”. He believes that this changes the need for faculty development. But Paul opined that maybe it just changes the focus of faculty development.

We were all very grateful for Dr. Reichardt sharing his wisdom and suggestions with our committee. He gave us a lot to consider and offered the encouragement that maybe it is not as bad as it seems.

VI. Other Business

a. Scheduling future