# Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Technology Coordinating Committee May 10, 2019, 9:00 – 10:30 AM District Office Conference Room 2

**Attended:** Ken Agustin, Shahaf Dan, Christy Davis, Tim Druley, Bruce Griffin, Wing Kam (ConferZoom), Matthew Kim, Bill Komanetsky, Nathaniel Rice, Mike Seaton (ConferZoom), Rachel Ugale, Lisa Ulibarri, Scott Vigallon, Chasity Whiteside

**Guests:** Arun Goyal (ConferZoom), Nan Ho, David Rodriguez (ConferZoom), Tamica Ward (ConferZoom)

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 9:01 AM.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Approval of minutes has been deferred to the next meeting. ITS will be moving forward with hiring an Executive Assistant to the CTO in the coming months.

## **DE Committee Proposal Next Steps**

Bruce brought the idea of a separate committee for Distance Education across the district to the senior leadership team. It was received well by the managers. The senior leadership team requested that the item be raised when the new Vice Chancellor for Education Services and Student Success starts.

# 5-year contract with Ellucian for Banner and related products

The District received and is moving forward with a 5-year contract renewal with Ellucian for Banner, Degreeworks, Recruit, Advise and other ancillary products. The contract is a "package" of products that limits the cost escalation the District would incur should it license the products individually on a year-by-year basis. The five-year timeframe will allow for other vendors to more fully develop their products and for the state to better formulate a single, statewide platform strategy.

# Funding Formula Committee and Technology Coordination Committee

Another year of hold harmless has been proposed for the Student-Centered Funding Formula (SCFF). With the new metrics, CLPCCD comes up short for what we would get in funding compared to old funding formula. The Funding Formula Committee (FFC) will bring forward projects that have technology components. One has already come through at the campus level for CampusLogic which will help students complete the FAFSA. The product will nudge students

to submit documents and allows for easy upload. There's a large number of students who qualify for Pell but don't finish their FAFSA. The request was approved by the Planning and Budget Committee. Bruce will be bringing future products to TCC.

The application process for funding includes a feasibility component to avoid issues related to products that may not be feasible to implement. There are also sign-offs required by department managers, vice presidents and presidents. The process also includes an IT evaluation.

## **Blackboard Archive Access**

Funds are currently being sought to extend access to archives, primarily at the behest of Student Services at the colleges in case there are grade challenges. Chabot has not needed to access the archives and Las Positas has it used sparingly for requests from A&R. Bruce has reached out to his CTO colleagues around the state who maintained access to Blackboard data to see what they've done with it. If there is no way to load the content, it's not particularly useful. Some tools are available but those who have evaluated them say they didn't' work that well.

# **District Office Web Site**

Bruce acknowledged Katherine Tollefsen, Tim Druley and Mujeeb Dadgar for their efforts in converting the District Office website to Omni. The home page now comes up with information about the colleges first. It's in the Azure cloud so there is no concern about it not being available. Departments are still being migrated to Omni with the goal of being fully over by August. Outreach is being done to the colleges to make sure links back aren't broken.

# Canvas: Turnitin / VeriCite

Both academic senates have approved or resolved that they want to switch to Turnitin, which is a more robust solution. In order to use this for Summer courses, it needs to be in place before classes start. The cost of Turnitin is double that of VeriCite, which ends this year. The implementation will need to be staged in order to transition from one product to the next.

Christy has used both products as an instructor and believes Turnitin is more robust and has shortcut features. VeriCite tells you what site the information comes from, although you need to open a browser to see it. Turnitin opens another window automatically and shows if the text has been cited properly. Lisa said the differences are minimal and training would be handled by each college separately. Shahaf said Turnitin is easier to use from the student standpoint.

Scott and Bill supported TCC's recommendation to purchase Turnitin as the District's antiplagiarism tool.

## Product vetting for Guided Pathways and other initiatives

Initiatives are popping up all over the place results in a muddled student experience. Student experience from a technology perspective is a part of Guided Pathways. The Zone homepage that we present to students is cluttered. As we continue to get products like CampusLogic or tools that support Guided Pathways or AB705, we will need something that is cohesive and intuitive for students. An Ellucian mobile app exists but doesn't have registration as one of its features. The Zone needs to be updated and parts of it needs to be built out. Products like EduNav and Starfish that germinate in individual departments that have their own funds, and different committees propose things at a functional level as well as at the broader technology level but aren't aware of impacts when these things come up.

A digital transformation is a rebranding of what we do. the first order of business would be to consolidate products in one place. The Zone has the most potential but is used less than CLASS-Web. If it is built out a better way, the Zone could be a good tool for students. Having a committee to do this work would require a lot of people as there are many decision makers who would need to be involved.

#### **Discussion of Accessibility Demos**

The decision to go with an accessibility tool is analogous to the Turnitin/VeriCite discussion. Santa Rosa Junior College had staffing to help faculty convert their work in UDOIT. Ally has some holes which have been reported to Blackboard who has said they would address those issues. UDOIT is open source and has to be hosted by IT. Ally is a slicker product and its reporting tools are nice.

#### Good of the Order

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM. The next meeting will be on Friday, September 13, 2019.