Meeting Synopsis

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   - Faculty & Student Learning and Scholarly Technologies survey (Cara Lane)
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   - Creation of committee for Data Retention Proposal
   - Creation of committee on Similarity testing software to reduce plagiarism
   - Creation of committee for preparing conference with Rep. Reuven Carlyle on online/distance teaching and learning initiatives (in cooperation with the FCEO, Chair of the Senate and others)

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Chair Kaminsky called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

1.   Approve agenda and the minutes from the May 18, 2009 meeting

The agenda and the minutes were approved.

2.   Chair's announcements

Chair Kaminsky thanked the FCET for allowing him to serve as Chair for the last three years. He feels that great contributions have been made by all of the members and noted the Council's lively discussions on plagiarism as one of his fondest memories. Kaminsky is pleased with the success of the Council this year working on the Class C Legislation for webcams. He advised the FCET that working in politics takes time and he believes the Council had some good ideas but sometimes the timing was not right. He thanked all of the members for their contributions and hard work. In closing he noted his appreciation to Kelly Baker for her support of this Council. He will begin working on a resolution to deliver to the Administration as a request for continued support services to all of the Faculty Councils despite the budget cuts. He feels he will have the support of all of the other Council Chairs on this effort.

3. Open announcements

There were no open announcements.

4. News from CATALYST, Libraries

Faculty & Student Learning and Scholarly Technologies survey (Cara Lane)
Cara Lane began her presentation by informing the Council that since they were involved in the initial drafting of survey she wanted to discuss findings with it. This survey is conducted every three years and

is used to identify current needs and anticipate future needs of faculty and students in regard to learning technologies. Respondents were a random sampling of faculty and students.

Major trends identified were that users wanted to understand a particular concept of technology being used. Those most popular subjects included email, power point, web pages. These were deemed widely applicable. Moderate use technologies were identified as: library resources (databases), digital image collections and e-reserves as well as a few other services offered by CATALYST. Technologies falling in the limited use category were social networking.

Lane noted that focus groups were used to help write the questions prior to the surveys. Students mentioned using social networks to form study groups and were used more frequently in larger than smaller classes. Students generally used a wider array of technology than faculty. Highest priority identified for students was reliable wireless access. The biggest obstacle identified by faculty was the time needed to learn how to use technology.   Other findings of the survey were discussed and members offered their opinions on possible solutions to high priority items.

Efthimiadis noted that his department uses templates which take a lot of the time out of having to format a new document. He finds this quite helpful. Lane identified a new integration of online tools available to faculty via CATAYLST. The idea will be to present faculty and TAs with more options and provide them with skills they will be able to use into the future. Lane informed the FCET that the report of findings from the survey can be found on the CATALYST website. She identified next steps to be applying information we already have into tools that currently exists to move toward a more seamless experience. Her office will look to working with departments who have support networks already in place. Lewis noted training program for TAs will not happen this fall due to budgetary reasons; however an orientation will still be held for new TAs.

Chair Kaminsky briefly discussed legislation sponsored by State Representative Reuven Carlyle that supports one learning management system for all Washington State community and state colleges. Lewis agreed that it is a yes it is a multi-faceted issue. He noted that he went with a representative from Educational Outreach to the HEC board. Kaminsky cautioned the FCET about taking away the choices and its impact resulting in driving up the cost of any item or service.

Kaminsky thanked Lane for her presentation and felt it was good information. He feels the University will have to take small steps when introducing new technology to faculty in order to be successful.

5. Old Business
News on Data Retention (Anjanette Young)

There was no report on this topic as Young was absent from the meeting.

Vice Chair Nomination

Chair Kaminsky described the roles of Council Chair and Vice Chair. He noted that interested members should be on the Council for at least one year and should have at least two years remaining in their term of service eligibility. Martin-Morris stated that she would like to be considered but wanted to check on the remaining time left in her term of service.

6. New business

Creation of Committee for Data Retention proposal
Due to lack of attendance this item will be revisited at a future FCET meeting.

Creation of committee on Similarity testing software to reduce plagiarism
A committee on similarity testing software will be developed in the near future and FCET will be in contact with David Lovell regarding this issue. Kaminsky feels there will be movement on this subject next year.

He noted he is currently working in coordination with John Webster and feels their collaboration will produce a positive result.

<u>Creation of committee for preparing conference with Rep. Reuven Carlyle on online/distance teaching and learning initiatives (in cooperation with the FCEO, Chair of the Senate and others)</u>

Kaminsky informed the Council that Representative Carlyle is very ambitious in the Distance Learning discipline (DL) for state colleges and universities. He feels this Council should prepare a point of view to offer to Carlyle. Lewis' office prepared a report for President Emmert and Carlyle about our systems and diversity along with the DL piece. He offered to share the report with the council. Masuda met with Bruce Balick and JW Harrington. They discussed inviting Carlyle and his staff to campus this summer for an informational session. Kaminsky felt it would be important to be prepared for that meeting in order to make a good impression. He asked Lewis to maintain contact with that committee and help them prepare for that meeting.

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The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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Present: *Faculty members:* Efthimiadis, Kaminsky, Martin-Morris, Masuda
              President's Designee: Lewis
              Ex-officio members: Young
              Guest: Lane

Absent: *Faculty members:* Andrews, Hollmann, Hudson, Moskal, Seidler
              Ex-officio members: DeShazo, Maring, Schmidt