

Meeting Minutes
Title III Advisory Team
Thursday, August 19, 2009—3:00 pm
Nash Hall Room 210

Present: Marshall Angle, Cathy Adkins, Carol Boggess, Jim Brown, Rick Cary, Tom Destino, Jason Pierce, Walt Stroud, John Wells, Mandy Proffitt/recorder

Missing: Scott Pearson

Technology

- Title III has currently funded 20 smart rooms
- There will be two technology mini-grant competitions this year, one this fall and one this spring.
- The Teaching and Learning Center will not be funded until year 5. The Writing Center has already occupied the space in Renfro. Marshall asked about additional names for the planning committee. The names mentioned included: Janet Fortune (new Education professor), Barry Sharpe (Honors Committee), Meredith Newman, and Phil Murray (fine arts). Marshall will contact these and ask about interest in project.
- On February 20, MHC will co-host a NITLE workshop with Brevard and Warren Wilson entitled Technologies for Teaching Writing. The funding for the workshop is coming through the Mellon Grant. MHC will need to fill 11 seats while the others get four.

Undergraduate Research

- Marshall showed the team the updates to the research page of the Title III website.
- Since not all final reports had been submitted from the earlier grant competitions, Marshall created a list of questions for the students' final reports as well as a checklist for the faculty mentors. The team decided that both students and mentors should receive the checklist and that the faculty stipend would be contingent upon submission of the final report.
- Tom will host a grant writing workshop September 17 at 11am in Nash 212
- This fall Title III will award up to 10 \$750 grants and up to 5 in the spring. Student research proposals for this fall's competition will be due October 2.

Honors

- The Academic Standards, Curriculum, and Plans & Policies Committees have approved their parts of the honors program. It was decided that Plans & Policies will present at September faculty meeting and vote at October meeting.

Advising

- This year's Majors fair will be October 29 in Redway. Cathy mentioned that Laurie Pedersen & the LAA faculty have taken over planning for the event.

- Marshall noted that Joanna Pierce and Phyllis Smith attended a conference this summer regarding the idea of a 3-4 Curriculum. The team had heard both positive and negative comments about this idea, but decided that it was not a Title III priority at this time.

Outcomes Assessment

- Marty and Mandy worked this summer on updating the program review page of the Title III website. It includes departmental outcomes, assessment plans, curriculum maps, and plans for undergraduate research.
- Marshall asked that departments start working on submitting annual reports and the coordinators will be compensated \$500 for doing so.

Grant Administration

- Marshall presented faculty development priorities that Title III will be funding this academic year. They included funds for honors, SACS/outcomes assessment, research, retention, and technology. Also, Marshall asked the team to let him know their preference for compensation.
- The team will have regular meetings monthly, or as needed, on the 1st Thursday of the month at 3:00pm.

The next meeting is Thursday, September 3 at 3:00.