DELTA COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
DINNER MEETING
February 19, 2013
Delta College Main Campus Room N 7

Board Present: K. Ellison, R. Emrich, J. MacKenzie, M. Rowley, E. Selby, R. Stafford

Board Absent: K. Houston-Philpot K. Lawrence-Webster, D. Wacksman

Others Present: B. Baker, T. Brown, P. Clark, E. Crane, C. Curtis, L. Dull, C. Dzurka, D. Fairchild, A. Givens, M. Gmeiner, J. Goodnow, L. Govitz, P. Graves, F. Hoffman, G. Hoffman, J. Knochel, T. Lane, G. Luczak, D. Lutz, J. Miller, M. Mosqueda, F. Peters, L. Ramseyer, D. Redman, K. Rees, D. Salinas, J. Stahl, T. Stitt, A. Ursuy, B. Webb, S. Whitney, M. Wiltse, M. Wood

Press Present: None

Board Chair R. Stafford called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Barry Baker, Director of Communication Tech, introduced the eLearning staff as: Tom Bennett, Chief Technologist; Dawn Fairchild, Associate Professor of Management and eLearning Committee Chair; and Jane Knochel, Manager of eLearning. Tom was at a technology conference and was unable to attend the meeting. D. Fairchild and J. Knochel gave a presentation to the Board updating them on the status and goals of eLearning at Delta College.

J. Knochel presented the history of eLearning which included the first telecourse (TNET) offered in 1982, the first online course (INET) offered in 1996/97 and the blended course (CNET) in 2002. The LMS (learning management system) used over the years has change from Blackboard in 1998 to Educator in 2005 and most recently to Desire 2 Learn (D2L) in 2009. Delta currently offers three types of courses that incorporate eLearning: INET courses which are entirely online; CNET courses which combine both online and face-to-face; and face-to-face courses which are web enhanced.

J. Knochel explained that every course whether INET, CNET or face-to-face, has a web site, and training for adjunct and full time faculty is provided. She also noted that D2L is compatible with all the latest technology including tablets, smart phones, etc. Degrees and certificates offered online include: Associate of Arts, General Studies; Business Administration & Management, General; Child Care Provider/Assistant; Computer & Information Sciences; Computer Software & Media Applications; Criminal Justice Security & Loss Prevention; Criminal Justice Police Science; Environmental Engineering Technology; Fire Prevention and Safety Technology/Technician; Technical Writing Certificate; Advanced Child Development Certificate; Child Development, Paraprofessional Certificate and Criminal Justice Security & Loss Prevention Certificate.

Collaboratively with the Michigan Community College Virtual Learning Collaborative (MCCVLC) Delta is also able to offer the following programs online: Associate in Liberal Arts and Sciences (AA); Liberal Arts and Sciences Liberal Studies (AS); and Associate in Liberal Arts and Science/Liberal Studies (AGS).

J. Knochel shared the following enrollment stats with the Board in regards to CNET and INET courses for 2012. The average class size is 18-25 students. There were 168 instructors teaching online during 2012.

	Winter 2012	Spring/Summer 2012	Fall 2012
CNET			
Courses	37	29	46
Total Sections	55	38	67
Students Enrolled	973	432	917
INET			
Courses	119	106	115
Total Sections	229	178	213
Students Enrolled	3962	2981	3581

J. Knochel also provided graphic information on growth and success trends, notably that student success (C or better grade) in 2012 was 84% in CNET courses, 81% in INET courses, and 83% in face-to-face courses.

R. Stafford asked about a standardized test. J. Knochel and D. Fairchild both talked about the assessment tool that is accessible to students to see if taking an on-line course is right for them. The assessment, Smarter Measure, at this time is not a requirement. They have been collecting data from the assessment for about one year. This data will be used to determine if the assessment should become mandatory. J. Goodnow asked about eLearning with developmental courses. D. Fairchild indicated that a committee is looking into modules for these areas.

D. Farichild indicated the eLearning Committee Student Success Strategic Plan which included: faculty certification; course content review; student preparedness; CNET blended course development; eLearning program development; course content development tools and course content delivery tools.

D. Fairchild also explained the goals of eLearning for 2010-2015:
1. Student Success: Eliminate the existing 5% online success rate gap.
2. Quality in Online Learning: Develop a plan and process to ensure quality in INET online and CNET blended learning.
3. Online Degree and Program Growth: Develop eLearning programs and/or degrees in academic divisions where needed and appropriate.

R. Stafford had Dora Salinas pass out instructions to assist board members in password protecting their iPads.

There being no further business, the dinner meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

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Talisa Brown, Assistant Board Secretary

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Andrea Ursuy, Board Secretary