

Learning Strategies Task Force
Minutes
September 22, 2005

Present: Kim Gold, Donna Harrison, Rick Childress, Jeremiah Council, Tim Greene, Carolyn Young, Melissa Johnson, Hilda Moore, Vicki Covington

- Kim gave an update in Learning Professor Conference
- Donna reviewed goals for this year.
- The group discussed establishing subcommittees (members were encouraged to invite non-member “experts” on campus for consultation)

Subcommittees were established:

- I. Learning Strategies Website
Websites – (see University of Hawaii site)
 - Jeremiah and Carolyn volunteered
 - We already have TALC committee websites – Add activities, consultants, etc to pages
 - Ask Debra about server space
 - Rick has PBL websites links list
- II. Summer Institutes
Kim needs assistance in organization and administration of the Summer Institute. Some idea’s discussed:
 - Give graduate credit
 - Offer Advanced and Foundations at the same time. Perhaps also offer Structured Controversy, Leadership, and other areas of interest that have not been taught in a long time.
 - The summer is better for new faculty due to missing class, and the Institute can be completed in one week. When training is offered in other semesters, spread out to allow people to try strategies in class. Also, when offering training in spring and fall we need to schedule sessions so that the same classes aren’t missed repeatedly.
 - How do we improve promotion? How can we improve our website? Marketing expertise – Rick Childress, Scott Scheer
 - Use Cathy Alexander’s graphics classes
 - Develop a booklet?
 - Offer training for public schools at 3:30 pm
- III. On-going Promotion and Search for resources
 - Go to the business office to request a list of people who have traveled with TALC – ask them to do roundtables on what they learned.
 - Shared Inquiry

Essential Questions based on the Great Books Foundation – Jeremiah has talked to Cathy Alexander and would like to do something to get it started.

- Brain – Based – see book by Jenson
- Check out idea of forming a library with good TALC materials
- Organize round table discussions

Other Business

- Jeremiah has placed a developmental English tutor on Blackboard on the ICC website.
- There was a lengthy discussion on the Award to Recognize the Promotion of Learning.

Meeting Adjourned