

**Learning Strategies Task Force  
Minutes – September 12, 2006**

Erin Riddle co-chair  
Debbie Wiltshire  
Kathy Ackerman  
Myra Johnson  
Carolyn Young  
Donna Harrison (absent)  
Melissa Johnson  
Scott Hutchins  
Connie Toney (absent)

Jo James co-chair  
John Quinley  
Mark Ellis  
Bill Lewis  
Chris Koone (absent)  
Kim Gold  
Rich Childress  
Vicki Covington (absent)  
Jeremiah Councill (absent)

Meeting called to order at 2pm, Room 114, Business Sciences building.

Review of TALC homepage and Learning Strategies Task Force Web page completed. Revisions suggested by members present. Revisions will be provided to TALC on September 13 meeting. Revised document as follows:

- Learning Strategies Web page

This taskforce explores strategies for improving learning through the following:

- steers our efforts to train new faculty in learning strategies
- shares cooperative learning techniques
- serves as planning partners for newly trained faculty and staff
- serves as a resource by demonstrating the techniques
- meets regularly to discuss ways to support our learning efforts
- acknowledge contributions to the learning college via the Golden Apple Award
- implementation of "Learning Communities"
- identify additional strategies to improve learning

- TALC homepage: change titles to Co-chair for both Jo and Erin

Brainstorming session to develop a list of potential goals for Learning Strategies Task Force 2006/2007 conducted. Once developed the list was refined to the following:

Summer Institute for Co-operative Learning in conjunction with Patrick Henry (see information below on specifics for this event)

Round Table topics

- Travel and Study by John Quinley and Brett Parker
- Technology in the classroom (facilitator undecided)
- Co-operative discussion Website (Carolyn Young – maybe)

Develop Instructor Resource management process

- Basics in teaching methodologies
- Resource repository
- Support/Mentoring system

Explore potential professional development for expanding knowledge on learning strategies

- New learning strategies
- Classroom observation of Teacher of the Year
- Conference and work shop attendance
- Bring speakers to ICC for PD

Learning opportunities for LSTF members presented. When you attend workshops, please be prepared to present at the LSTF meeting following your workshop. Bring your synopsis (about a paragraph) of the high lights and any insights gained from the workshop and any pertinent handouts to be shared with the taskforce members.

- WorldView orientation at AB Tech on September 15. Attendees: Myra Johnson, Kim Gold and Jo James (from this task force)
- Learning Should Be Fun!, Magna Online Seminar, September 21. Interest from Rick Childress, Scott Hutchins, Carolyn Young, Erin Riddle, and Melissa Johnson. Jo James will get information on the broadcast. Once information ready (with technical requirements specified) this broadcast will be opened campus wide.
- Invitational Education At AB Tech on September 22. Cathy Alexander plans to attend. Anyone interested in attending is to contact Cathy for registration.
- Appalachian State interest meeting for a cohort to start at ICC. Meeting will be held September 26, 4pm, Administration Building, Room 125. Currently, there are 6 ICC faculty interested in the cohort. Erin Riddle will send information to Myra Johnson for a distribution at western regional meeting. Erin Riddle will send an email to all ICC employees notifying them the date and location of this meeting.
- NCCCS Conference, October 8 – 10. Attendees: Kim Gold, Bill Lewis, Myra Johnson, Carolyn Young, Rick Childress, Scott Hutchins, Melissa Johnson, Erin Riddle and Jo James (from this task force).
- Conference on Computer Information Technology (A League of Innovation conference), October 22 – 25. Melissa Johnson expressed interest in possibly attending.
- ERCBEC, November 1 – 3. Melissa Johnson plans to attend as a representative from PD Faculty. Scott Hutchins and Rick Childress expressed interest in attending.

“Summer” Institute for co-operative learning, presented in conjunction with Patrick Henry was discussed. Kim Gold reported that the institute will be held on March 22 – 25, 2007 in Concord, North Carolina. Roger Johnson will present Green Book training. David Johnson will present structured controversy class exercises and conflict resolution techniques. Brown book training will be conducted by ICC faculty. Currently, a brochure is under development for marketing of the summer institute, with plans to distribute the brochure at the NCCCS conference in October. In addition, Patrick Henry will market the plan via the Lumina Foundation at the end of September. A minimum of 55 people must attend. This number can be from ICC, Patrick Henry or an external organization. ICC

needs to identify the number of Brown Book new faculty/staff that will attend, with a seat reserved for each of these faculty/staff. ICC will pay for these slots.

Potential speakers for ICC events

- Ron Clark
- Margaret Wheatley

Web site for learning strategies was discussed. Given the complexity of this project, the will be discussed at a future meeting. The group agreed that this project should be launched during this academic year as a resource for ICC employees.

Proposed meetings for fall 2006 semester approved.

- Monday, October 30, 2006, 2pm
- Wednesday, November 29, 2006, 2pm

Meeting adjourned 2:52 pm.