

Educational Technology Committee

Meeting 8/07 held on Thursday, 6 September 2007, 11 am to 1 pm in 73_G21 on the Caulfield campus with video links to Gippsland and Caulfield campuses.

UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

- Present: Prof David Murphy (chair)
Prof Phillip Steele
Dr Paul White
Mr Vince Dziekan
Ms Kate Roth
Dr Melissa de Zwart
Ms Alexandra Phelan
Ms Emily Feher
Assoc Prof Maria Garcia de la Banda
Mr Nathan Bailey
Mr Aidan Lister
By video link to Gippsland:
Ms Alison Whitley
By video link to Caulfield:
Dr Des Casey
- Apologies: Ms Janette Burke
Assoc Prof John Hurst
Dr Phillip Dearman
Assoc Prof Sally Joy
Assoc Prof Len Webster
Dr Bernard Holkner
- In attendance: Dr Harsh Suri
Mr Chris Barnes
Dr Ian Larsen
- Minutes: Ms Gayle Nicholas

1. Welcome

David Murphy welcomed people to the meeting.

2. Confirmation of minutes and matters arising

The meeting confirmed the minutes of meeting 7/07.

a. DEST journal ranking

David reported that national groups were preparing publication lists. The Monash representative on the Social Sciences academy group is Prof Jane Kenway from the Education Faculty. Publications are to be ranked in tiers. Lists are to be completed by the end of this year.

An issue regarding the tight timeline for computer science and information science publications was raised.

Action: David Murphy to pursue information regarding the ranking of conferences.

3. Reports & Updates

a. Educational Technology Framework

➤ [ETF Final Draft](#)

David reported that the Final Draft of the ETF will be considered by LTQF at their meeting on 17 September. The document will then proceed to the Education Committee. David noted that the general response he had received so far was positive.

Len and others were complimented for their work in incorporating feedback from the ETC into the Framework. It was noted that the Framework, along with related documents, was a step forward for the university.

The importance of a communications strategy was also noted.

b. LMS Steering Committee

➤ [Minutes of meeting 22 June 2007](#)

David noted that the committee would be expanding representation.

Alex suggested a student representative, with an appropriate technical background, be included as a committee member.

Action: Emily to include student representation on the next LMS agenda.

c. Rich Media Solutions

Phil Steele reported on a meeting with Rich Media representatives. MediaSite is of interest to the group due to its ability to search using OCR and voice recognition. The representatives were invited to approach Monash with a written proposal on how to proceed e.g. the running of a pilot.

d. MULO upgrades
[PowerPoint Presentation](#)

Nathan indicated the need for a taskforce to consider the university's recording and broadcasting needs for the next 2 to 3 years. Priorities need to be defined, products piloted and requirements determined. The outcomes of the Lectopia trial will be incorporated into this review.

Action: Members interested in participating in the taskforce should contact Nathan.

e. Lectopia Evaluation

Paul White, Greg Barnes, Ian Larson and Harsh Suri reported on findings from the stage 2 of Lectopia evaluation. The majority of students completing the evaluation considered the use of Lectopia had improved their learning. The PPT presentation is available in the wiki at <http://cemm.educ.monash.edu.au/discussion/calt/index.cfm> under ETC meeting 8/07.

Note: The initial phase of the evaluation was reported on at meeting 5/07-9.

During the discussion it was noted that issues of decreasing student attendance at lectures was not solely related to the recording of lectures. Rising HECS fees and the cost of living have led to an increase in the number of hours students need to work.

Art & Design are currently considering a Lectopia trial.

5. Other Business

a. Learning Spaces Taskforce

- [Report from Colloquium UQ July 2007](#)
- [Learning Spaces Group meeting 8/07](#)

Phil reported a Learning Spaces taskforce is to be established at Monash. The TOR are not yet available. He has proposed that the taskforce report to the ETC.

b. Elluminate Live trial at ETC meeting 7/07

- [ELive Report](#)

David reported that Elluminate Live recordings retain some of the functionality of the software. He suggested members have a look at this. [Note: The recording of the ETC meeting is available in the ETC wiki at <http://cemm.educ.monash.edu.au/discussion/calt/index.cfm> under ETC meeting 7/07.]

c. ACCODE benchmarking workshop

Phillip Dearman will report on this at the next ETC meeting.

d. Fred Lockwood visit

David reported that Fred Lockwood would be visiting Monash in October and recommended attending his sessions.

e. VC Showcase

The VC Showcase of Learning and Teaching will be held on Friday 28 September in the Art & Design building at Caulfield campus. David highly recommended attending this event.

The next meeting of the ETC will be held on Thursday 11 October, 11.00 am – 1.00 pm in, in the James McNeill Room at the Clayton campus, with a video conference link to Gippsland. Video conference links may be arranged to other campuses if required.

Please submit items for the agenda by Wednesday 3 October.

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