FerrisConnect Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 22, 2010 - 11:00 - 12:00pm in IRC 104

In attendance: Bill Knapp, Kim Carlton-Smith, Jon Taylor, Mary Holmes, Susan Hastings-Bishop, Emily Mitchell, Meegan Lillis, John Urbanick, Mike Berghoef, Amy Buse

1. Technical Updates - Mary
   1. No New versions to test - maybe this summer
      1. 8.4 came out from Blackboard, and it was pulled back after some schools used it and found too many bugs.
      2. It does not look like we will have anything new to go to for the Summer semester.
      3. Will plan to put out the update into test as soon as it comes out to see how it works and if we want to go to that in the Fall.
      4. We are currently in a holding pattern, we will look at new releases and patches for our current product, Blackboard Vista 8
   2. Java Update from 1.6_05 to 1.6_17
      1. We have been using 1.6_05 for a very long time, other programs such as Kronos need that version of Java.
      2. Kronos will be updating in the end of June, beginning of July.
      3. We will be doing testing to see if we can move up to 1.6_17, which will also then work with Kronos once it is updated.
   3. Problems downloading files attached to assignments?
      1. Downloads not working in I.E.
      2. There are issues with Java versions 1.6_19 and 1.6_20 as seen on the listserv
   4. What is our plan for storage space? Do we have a strategy?
      1. We open up 4 GB at a time, as needed.
      2. 3 times in the last couple of weeks, we have run out of space and had to open up more.
      3. Kris R.'s, the database administrator, query to page him at 93% full storage has not been working, but he is looking into that to get notified before we run out of space.
         1. John to follow-up with Kris and ensure we can be better prepared for these peak, end-of-semester weeks.
   5. Profile email
      1. If you change your email in your profile from your standard fsu email to another email address, anytime we reboot Vista, it reverts your email address back to the default (fsu email).
      2. Kim's only lasts for two to three days and then reverts back.
      3. Students are experiencing these issues as well, their forwarding email keeps breaking / reverting back to default.
      4. Is there a setting to overwrite the email address and push down the default?

2. Course Management System Demonstrations
1. **Looking at Demos**
   1. Tuesday, April 20 @10:00am in IRC 104 - Moodle (ACP recording to be posted to the e-Learning wiki)
   2. Tuesday, April 27 @1:00pm in IRC 104 - Blackboard Learn
   3. Tuesday, April 27 @ 2:00pm in IRC 104 - Sakai

2. When would we change? New Version or New Product? Why would we change? Several have expressed concern that we are changing every couple of years. It will be very important for us to keep everyone apprised of our progress. Timeline would be to have a draft ready mid May and a final draft sent to FAB & EMAT by end of May.

3. Updates from Robbie - tabled

4. **Next Meeting**
   1. Let’s discuss our Summer meeting dates. Next Meeting is May 27th. We will revisit the schedule at out next meeting. Wednesday might be a good day, as orientations are scheduled for Wednesdays beginning in June.

5. **Other**
   1. **Statistics**
      1. **Tegrity & iTunes U**
         1. Total use for Fall 2009 - 22,119 people have actually accessed a Tegrity recording
         2. Spring 2010 - 18,524
         3. Convened a committee to look at Tegrity and iTunes U
            1. Would iTunes U be an addition or in place of Tegrity?
            2. Kimn Carlton-Smith, Mary Holmes, Bill Knapp, Meegan Lillis
            3. Kimn Carlton-Smith will chair the committee
               1. Kimn will extend invitations to Randy Vance, Joe Strokrich, Jody Gardei, Ted Halm, Connie Morcom, Stacy Anderson, Kim Hancock, Scott Randle
               2. Planning to meet via Adobe Connect during the summer
         4. Need to put together a charge
      2. **CPS**
         1. Fall 2009 - 3,861
         2. Spring 2010 - 3,454 (These may be only student registrations)
     2. We need to revisit the numbers and determine exactly what the statistics mean for each tool.