# Rancho Santiago Community College District

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# **Technology Advisory Group**

Meeting of: Thursday, April 5, 2012 – 2:30 p.m. District Office, Board Room 107

#### **Meeting Minutes for April 5, 2012**

Members Present: Curtis Childress, Dean Hopkins, Scott James, Cherylee Kushida, Sylvia LeTourneau, Joe

Pacino, Narges Rabii, George Sweeney, Jose Vargas, John Weispfenning, Lana Wong

**Members Absent:** Raymond Hicks, Becky Miller, Aracely Mora, Nicholas Quach, Linda Rose, Randy

Scott, Sergio Sotelo

**Guests Present:** Tammy Cottrell

### Approval of Minutes from March 1, 2012 Meeting

The minutes from the March 1, 2012 TAG meeting were approved unanimously.

## **Discussion**

- NBC Learn
  - o For the past year, the colleges have had a free subscription service to NBC Learn captioned video, which integrates with the mash up tools within Blackboard product. The subscription service is \$8,000.
- Blackboard Mobile
  - o Cherylee Kushida set up a demonstration of Blackboard Mobile for both SAC and SCC.
  - o Pricing and features were discussed and compared. It was noted that there is currently no funding for this project/product, and that funding would have to be obtained through a TAG recommendation.
  - o The question of how this service would help the District achieve the College goals was examined. It was noted that the mobile product should be reflected within the College technology plans.
  - o The Committee agreed to revisit and vote on this item at the May TAG meeting.
- Strategic Technology Plan
  - o The Strategic Technology Plan revisions and updates were reviewed.
    - Blackboard, SM Connect and NBC Learn will be added to the instructional section in appendix B.
    - Some of the technology that TAG will be reviewing in the upcoming year(s) will be added.
    - Formatting issues were reviewed and will be corrected in the final draft.
    - The plan is a 2-year cycle to coincide with the District planning cycle. The overall structure of the plan was refined and condensed.
    - Cost analysis should be included when feasible.
    - It was suggested that a summary of recommendations be added for the casual reader (cost or no cost).
- General Committee Member Updates:

- o SAC TAC: Training issues are going to be a priority in discussion. SAC TAC will try to develop and test a model.
- o ITS: If there are available funds at the end of the year for equipment, ITS would like to use them to pilot virtual desktops for academic use. The pilot would fully test and evaluate the possible use of virtual desktops in the classroom, and would be used a model for future purchases.

#### **Information**

• A final draft of the Strategic Technology Plan was distributed.

## **Action Items**

- TAG Committee voted unanimously to approve the 2012-15 Strategic Technology Plan as written, with the minor revisions discussed and agreed upon.
- TAG Committee voted unanimously to approve the purchase of an NBC Learn annual subscription for the District.
- TAG Committee voted unanimously to approve Academic Virtual Desktop Pilot, contingent on available funds at the end of the fiscal year.

#### **Meeting Schedule**

## 2011-12 TAG Meeting Schedule

Thursday, May 3, 2012	2:30 – 4:00 pm	Board Room (Dist 107)
Thursday, June 7, 2012	2:30 - 4:00 pm	Executive Conference Room (Dist 114)
Thursday, July 12, 2012	2:30 - 4:00 pm	Executive Conference Room (Dist 114)
Thursday, August 2, 2012	2:30 – 4:00 pm	Executive Conference Room (Dist 114)

# **Adjourn**ment

Ms. LeTourneau adjourned the meeting at 4:00 pm.