Academic Senate: ISIT Report

May 4
Pam Boyles, faculty co-chair

Notes from April 4, 2022 ISIT Meeting

A subgroup of ISIT will review the results of the annual spring Employee Technology Survey and bring a summary to the May meeting.

Academic Technology
Pam Rivers reported that videos will be created, demonstrating the features of the technology that will be provided in Hyflex classrooms. She also promoted classes for faculty and management. Matt Jones noted that a series of Canvas classes is coming that returns to the basics for new instructors and others. Also, members are needed for the POCR (Peer Online Course Review) group. Training will occur this summer.

Student Services
Dan Hall (Student Success Technology) reported that the new student portal (Elucian Experience) is delayed. Aricia Leighton asked about the process for updating the ChatBot feature, wondering if there was a group that regularly reviewed the FAQs (frequently asked questions) and if answers were updated accordingly. Dan said his group can set up a process for checking FAQs—questions that are asked most frequently and accuracy of answers.

Technology Support Services
Brett will send out an email asking for faculty to request any software (so it can be taken care of over the summer). He also shared information about Okta—an authentication application (prevents scammers). Instructors are encouraged to remind their students to complete the sign up so that they will have access to specific applications offered in some of their classes (Psych B5’s appstreak). All applications will be eventually moved from Duo to Okta. Faculty can sign up to Okta before Duo authentication application ends (ends June 30); otherwise, faculty won’t be able to sign into Canvas, etc.

Construction Updates

• BC Southwest is completed with the exception of a few odds and ends.
• The Delano campus’s Learning Resource Center has begun, still in beginning stages.
• The new Science & Engineering building will not be ready for summer classes but may be ready for fall classes.
• Auto Mall/BC classroom is nearly complete.
• Annex (old Bookstore/Business Office building) move in date is expected end of May.
• Athletics gym is moving along, expected to be complete in 2023.
• Welcome Center’s new walls are being framed; expected occupancy is December 2022.
• Language Arts building—some classrooms will be getting technology updates over the summer which may mean some classes moving temporarily to another classroom.

Next ISIT Meeting: Monday, May 2 (via Zoom), 4-5:30pm