

Teaching and Learning Committee Minutes  
October 28, 2011  
First Meeting

Meeting Facilitator: Dr. Anton Wohlers (representing Chair P.K. Das)  
Meeting Note Taker: Secretary Kim Smith

Attendees: Professor Kim Smith, Dr. Teresa Lubrano, Dr. Roxanne Gooch, Professor Don Aguilar, Dr. Anton Wohlers, Dr. Syed Ahmed, Ms. Lisa Restivo, and Ms. Amy Kennedy.

1. The minutes of the Sept. 23, 2011 meeting were read and approved.
2. A discussion of the open proposals preceded the approval of the last meeting minutes.
  - A proposal from Rebecca Easley, “Technology & Manipulative Materials for Mathematics Education” was discussed. The teaching and Learning Committee is being asked to fund a portion of the cost of the project. The amount of \$10,627 would be used to fund the entire cost of the project **except** the cost of training. Questions and comments from the committee members included:
    - Has the department requested bids from other technology suppliers?
    - How many students would this project benefit?
    - Has the department tried applying for an Instructional Technology Fellowship Grant?
    - Could funding for the actual Smart Board come from another source, since the cost of that equipment alone is close to \$4,800.00?
  - A proposal from Andrew Baker, “Innovative Instruction with Improved Technology for Cameron’s Art Department” was discussed. This project asks for \$4,844.00 in funding from an Innovative Instruction Grant for an EOS Digital SLR Camera and the Epson Stylus Pro 4900 printer. Questions and comments from the committee members included:
    - The technology requested is stable and would not quickly become obsolete.
    - It is student-orientated and innovative.
    - How many students would it benefit?
    - Has the department looked for other sources of funding?
  - The committee members concluded that there are too many questions to determine an outcome at the present time. They would like to have a demonstration by the requestors, and more information about other funding efforts. Both proposals were tabled until the next meeting.
3. Ms. Lisa Restivo reported that Dr. Burgess is working with a group of four students that will represent Cameron University in the “Oklahoma Ethics” competition.
4. The next meeting of the Teaching and Learning Committee has not been set, but it will occur before Thanksgiving break (November 23, 2011).
5. The meeting was adjourned at 12:20pm.