Tech Vision Minutes  
September 11, 2009

The meeting was called to order in Hale Alakai 118 by VCAA Richard Fulton at 1:30 p.m.

In Attendance
Richard Fulton, Toshi Ikagawa, Peggy Regentine, Diane Sakai, Tara Severns, Mike Tom, Lance Uyeda,

Approval of Minutes
The minutes of February 11, 2009 and February 25, 2009 were approved.

Tech Vision Committee Purpose
A discussion began regarding the purpose of the Tech Vision Committee and the evolution of this committee over the past five years. This committee was originally created as a result of the accrediting report from the Accrediting Committee for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) which cited the college on technology issues. Recently the committee has focused primarily on instructional issues rather than vision issues. It was agreed that individual departments via the Strategic Planning process should handle technology issues and goals. They agreed the consolidation of the IT and AT offices have encompassed many of the vision planning. Thus it was decided to disband the Tech Vision Committee as it now stands.

Questions were then presented regarding how certain technology issues would be handled and the committee agreed that it was a departmental, administrative, or IT concern and not a separate committee such as the Tech Vision Committee’s concern. Thus individual departments should emphasize technology needs through their department and strategic planning process.

The present committee will meet one more time to finalize business

Laulima Training
VCAA Fulton inquired about the need for Laulima training for WCC students as well as other online students. Tom showed that several campuses presently have Laulima tutorials built into their WebPages and it was suggested that Brian Richardson prepare something similar.

Online Courses
VCAA Fulton complimented the committee for the support and input that this group has given about the online community and how the committee has taken the responsibility of teaching online courses.

More Online Courses
VCAA Fulton observed Portland Community College and Washington Online College and listed courses that might be successful at WCC.

Math 100
Psch 100 (most popular)
Psch 240
Accounting 201 & 202
Hawaiian Studies 107
Political Science 130
History 151
Phil 110
Business Courses
Developmental Education Courses
New courses in Environmental Psch and Environmental Economics
Non-Credit CL prep courses /ICS 105
It was stated that many online courses filled first at WCC. Colmenares’ chemistry course was filled in July and another course created due to the online demand.

**Goal of Online Degree**
If WCC were to offer half of the courses needed for an online degree, the college would need to file a substantive change form with the ACCJC. The question was raised if this form would be necessary if there were an online certificate. Fulton will check on this.

**Online Instruction Contact Person**
Fulton stated that he saw a need for an online contact for faculty. The role of that person was not determined. Realizing that the Instructional Developer position was federally funded and will be no longer be available after this year, administration is seeking funds to provide continued support for the Instructional Developer and University Partners positions.

**Final Meeting**
The Final meeting for Tech Vision will be scheduled for October or November.