

WACTC Tech Task Force
STRATEGIC TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes
March 18, 2021
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
WebEx / Zoom

In Attendance: Eva Smith, Grant Rodeheaver, Joe Duggan, Kristi Wellington Baker, Marc Lentini, Mark Jenkins, Matthew Campbell, Sandy Main, Stephanie Delaney, Steven Sloniker, Teresa Rich, Wendy Hall

Not in Attendance: Brian Culver, Chad Stiteler, Marisa Ellis, Scott Zinn, Ward Naf

Meeting Objective:

Discuss strategic goals and strategies. Focus on formalizing Communications, Process and Strategic Planning documentation and governance.

Introductions; Review & Approval of Minutes

- Introduced Matthew Campbell from Pierce College Puyallup – representing Instruction Commission

Update from EdTech

- EdTech
 - EdTech Commons
 - The dev team continues to build out content, adding more vendors from the ETAG Software and Practices Inventory.
 - Implementation Practices document is taking shape – expect this will reflect equity-related concerns, in advance of a more structured way of assessing equity and technology.
 - Accessible Tech Vetting Process: Joint CATO/ETAG workgroup
 - Workgroup charged with developing a sustainable process for providing information to colleges about accessibility of technology
 - Possible paths include a standard set of documentation and RFP questions or processes, composition of vendor selection teams, and a process for reviewing vendor performance after selection.
 - IMS Global
 - SBCTC Ed Tech purchased a system-wide membership to IMS Global Learning Consortium
 - IMS develops, maintains, and promotes open standards for learning data, interoperability, privacy and security, accessibility and other aspects of the educational technology ecosystem.
 - Most interested in rubrics for privacy, data governance, and accessibility which evaluate vendors on capacity and maturity.
 - New Elearning Codes
 - Codes up for vote in Data Governance Committee
 - Need to talk to DGC regarding if it gets into code it is not set in stone
 - If something is not right, request that it needs to be turned back
 - ctclink need to be careful about presenting things to students

- Better to fix something in design
ACTION: Grant or Eva will ask Carmen where they are with the decision and ask them to rewind
 - ETAG would like to offer the following recommendations for future process:
 - Better clarity around scope, nature, and genesis of request
 - Inclusion of domain experts in the DGC working conversation about a proposal
- Live Captioning
 - There will be two contracts made available to the system
 - Contracts will be let by SBCTC, but colleges will pay for the captioning costs

WACTC Tech Meeting

- Grant and Eva shared:
 - Approach
 - Communications one-pager
 - Operations process development – identified how STAC operates
 - Okta accessibility
 - Sub Group Activities
 - WACTC Tech gave glowing feedback
 - It's valuable that we're bringing EdTech and CATO together with STAC
 - Complimented on our continued work
 - Aware that we can't fix everything immediately

Sub-Group Discussion - Process

- Worked to fine tune Process steps
 - STAC – decision point of what goes to WACTC Tech
 - Something all colleges will have access to use (funding, etc.)
 - Something all colleges will be required to use
 - Something that needs to have data integration into
 - WACTC Tech is the authority for system-wide technology decisions impacting multiple colleges. The chair may request a full vote of the WACTC presidents depending on the scope of impact of the decision.
 - STAC recommends decisions to WACTC Tech based on its research and input from stakeholders, standing committee and working groups. This includes, but is not limited to decision such as (from STAC Charter v 1.0 10/08/20 pg 4 of 9):
 - Planning for future system-wide technical needs
 - Strategic platforms for WACTC shared systems
 - Acquisition and integration of third-party functionality with ctcLink or other systems of record
 - Group guys, convenience contracts, and bulk purchase options where appropriate
 - Appeals of STAC recommendations
 - Propose that STAC be first/single point of entry when ctcLink finished
 - Would review proposals at monthly STAC meetings
 - Commissions/councils would forward requests to STAC
 - **Can run Parchment and National Student Clearinghouse (ctcLink integrations) through Process right away**

Wrap-up – Actions for next meeting/agenda

ACTION: STAC member representatives need to give updates and report out to their commission at their regular meetings.

Adjourned – 1:40 pm

Upcoming Meetings

April 9

May 13

June 10