

**Student Learning Committee  
Navajo Tech**

**Minutes**

<p><b>Attendees:</b> Reza Ehtestami, Jones Lee, Bruce Lewis, Daniel McLaughlin (chair), Peter Moore, Lola Natay, Sharon Nelson, Rachel Pacheco, Christine Reidhead, Cheryl Tom, &amp; Terry Yazzie  <b>Excused:</b> Virgil House &amp; Nabanita Saikia  <b>Absent:</b> Dana Desidero, Vangee Nez, Abhishek RoyChowdhury, Brian Tatsukawa, Frank Todacheeny  <b>Guest:</b> Casmir Agbaraji</p>	<p><b>Date:</b> Fri Feb 11 2021  <b>Start:</b> 1:00 pm  <b>End:</b> 2:00 pm  <b>Via Zoom:</b> 873 8490 3761</p>
Agenda items & notes	Action & persons responsible
I. Approval of the agenda	
Approved by consensus.	
II. Previous minutes	
Approved by consensus.	
III. Reports	
<p><b>1. Department updates:</b>  Applied Tech: Jones</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Const Tech is working toward NCCER accreditation. Virgil House is NCCER certified trainer.</li> <li>• Transitioning to online testing. Issues getting students registered, and with providing students textbooks.</li> <li>• An admin asst is badly needed. Position was created, candidates interviewed, and person rec'd for hire; but position has not been filled.</li> </ul> <p>Arts &amp; Hum: Peter &amp; Lola</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Last minute shift to online teaching this semester has been jarring.</li> <li>• New faculty member in A&amp;H: Jennifer Wheeler.</li> <li>• Recent grad won award at Sundance.</li> <li>• Law faculty have been collaborating across CRPT/CHNL campuses, which has been good.</li> </ul> <p>Business: Christine.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two dept programs presented program reviews.</li> <li>• Faculty are working on new MBA program with new grad dean.</li> </ul> <p>Diné &amp; Zuni Studies: Sharon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Faculty recently updated curriculum &amp; assessment maps for DS programs.</li> <li>• Collaborating with A:shiwi faculty on language and culture courses.</li> <li>• Reaching out to adjuncts to use one curriculum with departmentally approved courses.</li> <li>• Planning now for faculty workshop in June, 2022.</li> </ul> <p>Engr Math &amp; Tech: Reza &amp; Bruce</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requested faculty to update SLR's in G-drive.</li> </ul>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elec Engr faculty are discussing initial plans for MA program; realize must improve enrollments and retention in BA program.</li> <li>• Will experience faculty turnover in coming months. Must plan for transitioning major grant project responsibility.</li> </ul> <p>Science: Rachel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nursing recertified recently by state Board of Nursing.</li> <li>• Transitioning to Blackboard. Lots of issues.</li> <li>• Struggling to get everyone on same page.</li> </ul> <p><b>2. SL Coordinator update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Faculty Congress approved Student Learning Guide.</li> <li>• Sub-groups of faculty are working on GenEd Goal One outcomes, measures, and model syllabi.</li> <li>• Draft version of HLC visitation schedule is out. Reps from SLC, GEC, and PRC are tentatively scheduled to meet with evaluators on Mon Feb 28, from 10:55-11:40, in the Pres Conf Room. Details, TBD.</li> </ul>	
<b>IV. Old business</b>	
None.	
<b>V. New business</b>	
<p><b>1. End-of-year peer reviews: first look.</b> Members reviewed the peer review rubric for evaluating faculty members' Student Learning Reports. Suggestions included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spend time beforehand to promote greater inter-rater reliability.</li> <li>• Provide timely feedback to SLR writers/faculty members.</li> <li>• Re-engineer competition for monetary awards, which tends to work against NTU's stated values.</li> </ul>	<p>Continue planning at future SLC meetings: <b>all SLC members</b></p>
<b>VI. Announcements</b>	
None.	
<p><b>Meetings in spring semester</b>  Mar 4, Apr 8, &amp; May 6 – 1:00-2:00 pm  via Zoom ID 873 8490 3761</p>	