Committee Reporting Form
CCCCIO Representatives on Statewide Committees

Committee: Telecommunications and Technology Advisory Committee	CCCCIO Rep: Ann Beheler
Meeting Date: September 15, 2010	Meeting Location: Sacramento

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Committee Charge:

PURPOSE

The Telecommunications and Technology Advisory Committee (TTAC) advises the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office on the continued development and deployment of telecommunications and educational technologies in the California Community Colleges. The Committee researches technology trends and recommends the direction for technology infrastructure initiatives within California Community College system.

AUTHORITY

1996-97 Budget language authorizes the Telecommunications Technical Advisory Committee. The Telecommunications and Technology Advisory Committee (TTAC) is a technology policy advisory committee established by the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges in 1998. Telecommunications and Technology Infrastructure Program (TTIP) was in its second year and the Chancellor felt a need for a committee to provide advice regarding the utilization of TTIP and future resources for technology. At that time, the Chancellor appointed members who had served on an intersegmental (CCC & CSU) advisory committee called the Implementation Advisory Committee (IMAC) and designated other representatives to form what is now the core for the TTAC membership.

Area	Telecommunications and Technology Advisory Committee
Focus and authority	Broad – on goals, policies and plans applying technology to attain improved outcomes for student and system/college operations. Provides recommendations to the CCCCO.
Strategic Planning	Develops and recommends the vision, goals and objectives
Policy development	Recommends policies
Project Review	Reviews projects for applicability to the community college mission, vision, and goals.

Meeting Agenda Topics:

Agenda
Wednesday September 15, 2010
9:30 a. m. – 3:00 p.m.

Item	Time	Topic	Purpose	Discussion Leader
1	9:30 – 9:50	Approve Notes from 2010 Retreat ‣ *Introduction of any new committee members and guests* ‣ *Burning Issues*	Action	Bill Scroggins/ Wheeler North
2	9:50 – 10:10	Fiscal Update	Discussion	Patrick Perry/Catherine McKenzie
3	10:10 – 10:30	Round Two Stimulus (Central Valley Next Generation Broadband)	Information	Patrick Perry/Catherine McKenzie
4	10:30 – 11:00	Tech IV Wiki Format	Information	Doug Cremer
5	11:00 – 11:30	Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) Update	Information	Tim Calhoon
6	11:30 – 12:00	CCC Assess	Information	Patrick Perry/Bonnie Edwards
	12:30-1:00	Lunch		
7	1:00 – 1:30	Affordable Content Project	Information	Catherine McKenzie/Bonnie Edwards
8	1:30 – 2:00	eTranscript Progress	Discussion	Tim Calhoon/Bonnie Edwards
9	2:00 – 2:20	ETAC	Information	Stephanie Low
10	2:20 – 2:40	Foundation	Information	Joseph Quintana
11	2:40 – 3:00	SAC	Information	Doug Cremer
12	3:00	Wrap and Closing	Action	Bill Scroggins

Topics for CCCCIO consideration/discussion:

1. The projection is that the TTIP budget will probably be $15,290,000, down from previous years, but several actions have been taken to decrease costs and streamline processes to continue providing services such as Cenic and CCCConfer, but reserves are dwindling on Cenic, the provider of our Internet services. No action needed by CCCCIO at this time, but could be an issue in the future.
2. CENIC received ARRA funding of about $46 million for infrastructure work in the Central Valley. This project will build, operate and maintain a fiber-optic network infrastructure that will cover 1,371 miles of the central valley. Funding replaces obsolete circuits at 28 community colleges. There will be another attempt to secure funding for a northern California fiber optic network. Additionally, the Chancellor's office is working on mapping out all of the diverse circuits in the system. The goal is to move away from having one point of failure.
3. TTAC is working on TECH IV, a strategic plan for technologies within the California Community Colleges. I will sunshine information as it is available.
4. Through using Service Oriented Architecture to redesign CCCApply, there are plans to bring the cost down so that more colleges can afford the application.
5. TTAC is still looking into the feasibility of having statewide pricing for assessment/placement testing. Feasibility study results due 2/28/11. This is a study apart from the recent bill that was defeated, by the way.
6. Responding to the recognition that textbooks are increasingly too expensive, the Affordable Content project (affordable textbooks) is in pilot with North Orange and Contra Costa Colleges to provide inexpensive and/or open source content. Other colleges interested in piloting such content may contact Ann Beheler (abeheler@portervillecollege.edu) for more information.
7. eTranscripts are available, but there is limited funding to market them. A set of materials and two webinars are being developed to help colleges with materials and implementation. Invitations and a newsletter have been sent out with success stories of other colleges.

8. The Foundation has had a contract with Office Depot for five years and they are in the process of re-competing that bid. The Foundation is working with a new team at Adobe, and they are in the process of looking at Journey Education, recently acquired by Digital Rivers. The Foundation is looking to see what that could mean for additional services to faculty, staff, and students.

9. Other items to be discussed by TTAC are the possibility of state pricing on DegreeWorks and the like as well as software that can pull schedules and catalogs from databases on course and program information.