

Professional Development Committee Meeting – September 27, 2000
2455 North Star Road
Columbus, OH 43221
10a.m. – 2p.m.

Present Co-Chair(s): Jon Tafel

Members present: Greg Bernhardt, Hans Houshower, Joffrey Jones, Jon Tafel, Ray Timlin, Kathy Wright

Absent: Tim Best, Larry Fruth, Jeff Gordon, Bonnie Kroeger, Terry McCollum, Harry Searles, Len Simutis, Zana Vincent, Martha Garland

OLN Staff: Kate Carey, Sheryl Hansen, Barbara Henry, George Steele, Andrea Wood

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m.

Housekeeping

Minutes – July 26 minutes approved.

Introduction – Andrea Wood joins OLN staff as program coordinator

Other Housekeeping Items:

- ❑ Wright – “Toward College in Ohio 2001-2002” brochure for guidance counselors shared with committee members
- ❑ Bernhardt – Regents’ Distance Learning Program Director/ Coordinator search (handout). Please spread the word.

Updates: OLN Activities

Governing board update: Kate Carey

- ❑ Trying a new collaborative approach to projects and the RFP process

Degree Completion and Outreach Activities: George Steele

- ❑ Hired two new DLSs New personnel (Gail Peters –northeast region; and Susan Brown –southwest region)
- ❑ PowerPoint update, State Fair presence, advertising campaign, email, www hits, catalog growth

OLI Conference

- ❑ Andrea: Interactive Showcase update

Courseware support strategies

- ❑ Ohio Super Computer is the Web-CT license holder for the state of Ohio. OLN is supporting statewide training on Web-CT. OLN is working with TELR and 10 WebCT-certified faculty trainers to offer training.

OLN State Research Initiative

- ❑ Sheryl and Kate provided the history of decision to conduct research including selection of RCET/ Gay Fawcett and Dale Cook at Kent State University
- ❑ Lengthy and very helpful discussion led the PD Committee to reach consensus on the research focus questions

- Q5 is number one priority (with additional clarification)

PD Network for Higher Education

- 25 individuals identified, invited to a meeting and initial dialogue on October 31

Venture Fund

- On-Line Entry Year: meeting of state experts in Entry Year has occurred.
- Baldrige for Education courses: have had initial conversations with institutions interested in course development. Need to add others to the initiative.
- *Discussion:* Possible uses for remaining Venture Funds
 - for RFP (such as Q4 of research questions). Will ask for input from PD network (Oct. 31)
 - Putting together electronic news bulletins and updates
- Course on distance-learning: OLN constituent groups finding a way to help students understand distance learning (the "HowTo" committee). Draft of on-line course provided to the committee. First draft available in November on a secluded web site. Institutions would put it up on their site if they wanted on their DL web sites. Universities could offer it for free or for credit.

Adjourned: 1:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: November 29th, 2000