Notes Digital Learning Committee Friday 12/13/24 11-12pm

Attendance:

Present: Justin McMenomy, Patrick Bell, Irene Schiller, Jaspreet Gill, Troy Wadsworth

Not present: Dave Riske

Call to Order: 11:02 am

First Item: Approval of October minutes

Motion to approve: Jaspreet GillSecond: Justin McMenomy

All approved: YesAbstained: None

New Business:

A. Artificial Intelligence (Informational)

 Ad hoc committee approved by College Council. NSHE is looking at setting institutional guidelines, creating bylaws, and policies. Irene: Are their recommendations for faculty to communicate to students about the use of Al. Justin: As of now it is up to the individual instructors to communicate. Patrick: I use Turn It (tool in CANVAS) In to check for plagiarism and AI, but not very accurate at determining AI use. Troy: As a college there is not specific policy or guidance, but meetings/discussions are taking place. Recommendations for faculty/student include faculty learning how to use AI in their curriculum i.e. use in a way that incorporates AI in research (AI verses textbook information). Basically, using AI as a tool. The general consensus is students will use AI regardless. Winston Al is a software that checks for Al, but students are using what is called a "humanizer" that refines AI generated work to the point where it will not be flagged as AI. Again, AI checkers may flag high quality work by students who write well. Goal is to provide professional development to faculty on how to use and integrate AI into course curriculum. Business and industry are interested in use of AI as a skill e.g. facilitate productivity of work. Another strategy with students is to use current events as Al lags in its data by at least a year.

Old Business:

A. Online Quality Course Review Rubric Moving Forward (Discussion)

Goal is to send out a communication to faculty including informational piece. Perhaps a professional development presentation during WNC PD week. Justin has developed an email to be sent out during PD week with summary, link to the rubric, and link to supporting research. Justin and Patrick will work on presentation for PD week.

B. NSHE AI Task Force Update

In committee with suggestions for PD/open discussion college wide on AI issue/concerns.

Public Comment: None

Adjourn: 11:40 am