

**QCC COMMITTEE on eLEARNING**  
**An Academic Senate Standing Committee**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of February 20, 2014, in M-362 at 2:48pm**

**Meeting Attendees:**

Barbara Blake-Campbell (chair), Jean Amaral, Edward Davis, Susana Alaiz-Losada, Julita Haber, Bruce Naples,

**Excused:** Cheryl Meddles-Torres (secretary)

**Absent:** Caf Dowlah

- **Review of Minutes/Approval**

- December 12, 2014 Minutes – Accepted with Revisions

- **REPORT from President's Designee – BRUCE NAPLES**

- Major issues have developed with **Blackboard (BB)** as a result of three events:

1. The release of Blackboard 9.1
2. Upgrade by Oracle by JAVA
3. Upgrade by Microsoft by Internet Explorer

Disruption is mainly due to the disabling functions of using Internet Explorer as a browser, especially for faculty.

Recommendation: Use most updated version of FIREFOX browser for all BB activities.

PROGRESS ON RESOLUTION: CUNY CIS is aggressively working on the Issues, and has so far installed patches in Sandbox environment.

Currently, more than 250,000 unique users of BB in CUNY/ over 100,000 log-ins /day.

Update on eLearning Landing page revisions: as agreed by Committee:

On 'Student Life' page link RENAMED 'Elearning Information' instead of 'QCC On-line' for on-line learning.

LANDING PAGE now has four {4} distinct buttons:

1. Faculty Support (instead of faculty Center)
2. Student Support
3. ELearning Readiness
4. ELearning Classes (NOT COURSES)

SPECIAL Designation section now located at both TOP & Bottom of page.

In summary Links & Titles are now more consistent.

Prof. Susana Alaiz-Losada and Jean Amaral will schedule meeting with Marketing Directing, Stephen DiDio to inform him of upgrade of Landing Page, and make suggestions for more graphic enhancement of page.

- COMMITTEE REVIEWED MODULES 1 & 2 of ELearning Readiness Program. Mr.

Bruce Naples will edit revisions and submit to BLACKBOARD Administrator, Mr. Denis Bejar.

- Committee made aware that Mr. Robert Park is no longer in charge of Advisement. The replacement is Ms. Laura Bruno. Susana Alaiz-Losada will follow-up with Ms. Bruno regarding decisions that were made by Mr. Park to provide bookmarkers to students with concise explanation of what PNET/FNET courses entails.

Next meeting scheduled for o 2/13/14 at 2:45 pm in room M-362  
Meeting Adjourned at 3:57 PM

*Minutes respectfully submitted by  
Barbara Blake-Campbell (Chair)*