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From: Horan, Kevin
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Subject: Planning for D2L Transition

Colleagues,

As many of you are now aware, President Kratochvil approved, on a one time basis for 2013-14, a RAP request to support the transition to D2L. This funding is being utilized to implement a temporary plan for 2013-14 to support the transition to D2L. The approved funds are being used to support 25% faculty re-assigned time for a D2L Coordinator, an additional 25% faculty re-assigned time for the Distance Education Committee, and funding for increased training workshops.

I am very pleased to inform you that Kim Wentworth, Electronic Resources Librarian, will be serving as the D2L Coordinator and as the primary contact for faculty/staff as we navigate the transition from Blackboard to D2L. Kim will be working closely with members of the LMC D2L transition team, the district Learning Management System (LMS) Task Force, and the LMC Distance Education committee during the remainder of the academic year.

Kim will also be working alongside Clayton Smith, Computer Science Department Chair, as co-chairs of the Distance Education committee. The Distance Education committee will be conducting significant work during the remainder of the 2013-14 academic year to further develop the role and responsibilities of the committee and to address the long-term strategic plan for distance education at LMC. I'm going to go ahead and give a pre-emptive THANK YOU to both Clayton and Kim (and all of the committee members) for the time they are putting into this endeavor.

Additionally, the approved funding will provide the ability to expand and increase the available D2L training workshops. We have been fortunate to have Sandy Jones to structure and offer the workshops during the Fall semester. We will be supplementing the availability of these workshops for the remainder of the academic year. All faculty are highly encouraged to take advantage of both the structured workshops and drop-in labs. More information about these workshops can be found on the updated D2L page: <http://www.losmedanos.edu/onlineclasses/teaching/>

Kim will be communicating updates to the LMC community in regards to training opportunities and resources, as well as, changes in procedures as it relates to getting set-up in D2L. For any questions related to D2L, please contact Kim at kwentworth@losmedanos.edu.

Sincerely,
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