

## **DRAFT – DISTRIBUTED VIA EMAIL 9-23**

LMIS Committee Minutes

22 September, 2008

The second Library, Media, and Information Systems (LMIS) committee meeting for the 2008-2009 academic year took place in the Library Presentation Room 020, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Members present:

Ariela Tubert, Mott Greene, Peggy Firman, David Tinsley, Jennifer Neighbors, Jane Carlin, Molly Tamarkin, Yvonne Swinth, Bob Boyles, Alyce DeMarais. Guest; Randy Thornton

Randy Thornton provided an overview of Moodle. UPS is migrating to Moodle. The transition to Moodle will be phased. A small group of faculty is currently using Moodle. Blackboard will continue to be supported during the transition to Moodle. LMIS members were reminded that a faculty committee endorsed the move to Moodle. It is an open source tool that provides many more communication options. It is easier to manage and customize than Blackboard. Some of the enhanced teaching/learning features available via Moodle include:

Activities – various interactive tools designed to engage students in the learning process

Audio recording options

Icon features for easy navigation

Increased ability to add images

Ability to upload textbook content

Network coordination tied to Cascade

Ability to track student participation

Database development tools

Built-in Wiki for communications

World-wide network of online support created by other Moodle users

Randy asked that LMIS provide continued support for the ongoing implementation of Moodle. He indicated there was a need for faculty input concerning how Moodle is administered; for example, determination of a course information retention policy, how to manage sections of courses, clear guidelines concerning copyright and fair use, etc.... Training about Moodle was also a topic for discussion and it was suggested that training will be offered at the end of spring semester.

The meeting concluded with a general agreement concerning Randy's request. Molly Tamarkin suggested a portion of the LMIS meeting showcase a single new technology resource throughout the year. She also provided some suggestions for how the business of the Committee is managed with a recommendation to consider electronic record keeping and the use of the SharePoint tool.

The Committee stills needs to prioritize action items and select subcommittees:

- Point of Purchase
- Digital Assets
- Intro of new technologies
- Intellectual property
- Electronic back-up
- Increasing the library presence in teaching and learning at UPS
- Increase scholarly communication and access
- Logistics of move to Moodle

Respectfully submitted,  
Jane Carlin

(Note: minute taking is rotated on an alphabetical basis)