

Evolution Learning Community

Executive Committee Meeting Jul 20 2005

Present: KCBerkeley, LCahoon, KDutton, DKubasco, DMcCall, RRoer, KSawrey, TSchmid

Met to discuss: 1. future leadership for group; 2. actions for F05; 3. misc.

1. Leadership

- TS explained he is planning *Biotechnology and the Sea* conference for Oct 06 and with that + chair of PAR he will have little time for EvLC for 1+ yr. Hence need for new leadership to take over communication, organization, planning efforts. Emphasized importance of:
 - building momentum over the next 3 years for maximum impact of S08-F09 program;
 - need to begin active work now! e.g. have plan by 0607 for NEH type institute at UNCW to apply for grant \$; book spots on Galapagos trips today!
 - Chancellor and Provost both expressed enthusiastic support for EvLC, but nothing has been presented to them yet aside from minutes, concept
- Group unanimously supported **3 person executive council** (3) for EvLC and elected **Kathleen Berkeley, Tricia Kelley, Dale McCall** to the council. They will meet on monthly or bimonthly basis, call regular meetings of the executive committee/alternatives, and take over leadership of the program. It is expected that the 3 subcommittees will continue to serve, and that more people will be enlisted for the program.

2. Actions for F05

- DM suggested 1st focus of 3 should = writing an abstract/working paper of EvLC proposal, to present to Chancellor and Provost in early Fall for their approval, including anticipated costs and funding sources.
- KCB's office, Center for Faculty Leadership and Development (CFLD) can serve as funnel for grants relating to the program, as well as provide seed \$.

3. Further discussion

- Education Cmte—DK mentioned Burroughs Wellcome (<http://www.bwfund.org/>) may be good funding source
- Public Service Continuing Studies (PSCS) has \$100K grant this year and may have \$100K each year for noncredit programs for adults, may be able to offset costs for speakers, support teachers who offer programs to local adults; TS noted Templeton funding available for adult groups interested in this topic (cf. <http://www.metanexus.net/>)
- CTE also has funding which may help support programs for faculty involved in program, as well as Sum initiatives
- RR mentioned Steve Meinhold in Grad School = new go-to person for grants
- Important to involve Student Affairs/Campus Activities in planning—they have the big \$ for speakers
- KS mentioned he, KBruce (KB) and MGalizio can work together on planning Galapagos/other trips; could coordinate with KD's office, trips integrating students, adults and teachers can be successful, again PSCS may have \$ to support teachers who guide adult tours
- Travel plans—size of group traveling may depend on the success of the program; the more successful the EvLC, the more may want to travel
- Dennis and Larry to present experience at U Dayton Chautauqua, provide info for Elizabeth Peterson of Library for EvLC website she has begun (<http://library.uncwil.edu/faculty/petersone/elc/>) discussion of possible invitation of Greg Forbes from Chautauqua to UNCW.
- TS urged 3 and EvLC not to focus strictly on big ticket/events planning, but also on curricular planning. E.g. important to see how to make writing an important part of curricular effort.