



**Ohlone College
Distance Learning Committee
December 6th 2006
2:00-3:30p.m.**

Minutes/Recorder: Buehler

Present:

Alan Kirshner, Rick Arellano, Richard Grotegut, Tina Mosleh, Alison Kuehner, Chris Warden, Ralph Kindred, Dr. Treadway, Deb Parziale, William Paoli, Marge Segraves & Perri Galigher, Rolf Nygaard representative of WebCT/Blackboard & Phil Chatterton, Senior Solutions Engineer, WebCT/Blackboard

Chair: Meeting called to order by Lesley Buehler/Richard Grotegut

Today's meeting was a demo of WEBCT Vista/Campus Edition 6 that is currently available. Ohlone is running version 4.1 at this time. A file link below shows some of the newest features in WEBCT. It includes screenshots that show the features.

Earlier this year WEBCT.com had merged with Blackboard.com another Course Management System company. A question that arose was that even though WebCT has released version 6. Would the merger yield a new product that integrated the features from Blackboard and WebCT. The answer yes, but that product would not be available until 2008. The approach to switching over to newer versions was presented as follows: Ohlone move from 4.1 to 6.0, and then merge into the new product in 2008. (Blackboard appears to be the bigger fish in this merger).

Email Link for new features.

http://webctinfo.unm.edu/general/whats_new_in_webct_vista.pdf

Meeting Adjourned 3:30 p.m.



Our next Distance Learning (DL) meeting is scheduled for Feb 7th, 2006 2:00 p.m. in the new Tech Center next door to William's office aka 1407B). We will be viewing a demo of the new *ETUDES-NG* course management software with Vivie Sinou live in person from the Chancellors Office. She can't wait to meet us!! ☺ Refreshments will be served...