

Notes from LIRTC Focus Group—4/7/11 (4 pm, Kauke 034)

-Three faculty in attendance in addition to LIRTC Members (Lisa Verdon and James West)

-Considerable dissatisfaction with Moodle among the faculty

-good features/likes: group functions,

-difficulties with wiki, forum, providing feedback to student within an exact document (i.e., inability to upload a modified document with track changes comments), importing previous courses

-Appreciation for the user-friendly aspects of Voices

-Challenges for students in knowing which sites they should use to access information, etc.

-An ideal learning management system...

-should have both a public and secure interfaces, gradebook, dropbox, blogging interface, a wiki interface, access to social media (e.g., facebook, yammer, twitter), RSS reader

-should be simple/straightforward/user friendly

-Concerns about learning curve for new systems; need to phase out existing systems or find a way to import into new, improved system

-Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:30 pm