

Meeting Notes from 1-26-15, Email Correspondence

Jimmy Ball provided a the committee with a few updates regarding the LMS evaluation.

- We now have the necessary information to estimate the on-premises hosting costs for Blackboard Learn. Once these estimates are complete, Jimmy will share the complete cost estimate spreadsheet with the committee.
- Blackboard has provided accounts on a remote system, so that Penny, Amelia and Chad Russell (ePortfolio lead in CWR) can evaluate new functionality, including ePortfolio, Blackboard Drive, Collaborate and other items.
- Penny worked with popular third party vendors (e.g., Turning Technologies, McGraw Hill, etc.) to evaluate their integration with Canvas. There were some integration costs with Canvas, which we have included in our cost estimates. We didn't get any "unsupported" responses for Canvas, but we have seen less functionality with the Canvas integration. The common response is this is simply due to the age of the Canvas integration, since it is one of the new LMS players on the market.