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1. Committee Name *

Dual Credit Task Force

2. Your Name *

Matthew K. Hamilton

3. Please add meeting minutes here. These minutes can be a summary of e-discussions, a summary of a Zoom meeting, or minutes taken in a FTF meeting. *

The Collin College Faculty Council Dual Credit Task Force met on November 1st, 2024, to discuss the development of a survey aimed at understanding textbook selection issues faced by dual credit faculty. Concerns were raised in a recent Faculty Council meeting that certain ISDs might be encouraging or even pressuring faculty to use a specific textbook purchased by the ISD for all sections of a discipline. If true, this practice could infringe on faculty members' academic freedom by limiting their ability to choose course materials. Although this may not be an intentional restriction, the arrangement aims to address the financial needs of high school students who may struggle to afford textbooks.

The task force discussed the survey's objectives, which focus on assessing whether dual credit faculty feel restricted in their choice of textbooks and on identifying the scope and locations of these potential issues. Members brainstormed survey questions designed to capture whether faculty have experienced any limitations on textbook selection, if they have ever felt uncomfortable with assigned materials, and if such restrictions have had a negative impact on their courses. Suggested questions also include capturing teaching locations, disciplines, and whether concerns about pre-selected materials were communicated to program administrators.

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4. List members who have been contributing to the work of the committee since the last meeting (email, Zoom, in person) *

This meeting was attended by the following task force members: Matthew Hamilton (Co-chair), Chris DuBois Co-chair), Karen Williams, Therese Ogle, Katie Johnson, Benedict Nguyen-Lee

5. List items your committee has COMPLETED since the last committee report-- include subcommittee work, person(s) responsible for action items, and details about how the work was completed. *

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 List *current* items your committee is addressing; include status updates, action items completed, actions items pending, subcommittee work, person(s) responsible for action items, and details about the ongoing work. *

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7. What is the date of your next e-discussion, Zoom meeting, or FTF meeting? *

November 13th or 14th, 2024.

8. Have committee members been made aware of the next e-discussion, Zoom meeting, or FTF meeting? *

) Yes

) No

9. Are there any issues regarding committee scope, mission, on-going work, or committee members that you chose not to include in the above information of which FC leadership should be aware ? *

No

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10. Thank you for completing the report. Please rate the current work of your committee. *

