QCC COMMITTEE ON ELEARNING An Academic Senate Standing Committee Minutes Meeting of March 8, 2011, in H345 at 5:20 pm

Attending: Lorena Ellis, Sara Rofofsky Marcus, Edward Volchok, Dolores Weber, David Sarno, and Julian Stark

Absentee: Melanie Sehman, Bruce Naples, Student representatives: Elizabeth Lara and Joseph Lionarons

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the February 8, 2010 meeting were approved with minor changes.

2. Chairperson's Report

Dr. Volchok informed the committee members that the members of the eTeam are VP Karen Steele, Bruce Naples, Phil Pecorino, Meg Tarafdar, Ed Volchok and Lorena Ellis.

A proposal was submitted on March 11 to present the eLearning Readiness Program at 7th Annual CUNY General Education Conference "Journeying through General Education" which will be held at York College May 13, 2011. The presenters will be Edward Volchok and Denis Bejar. The topic will be the college's eLearning Readiness Program. All committee members are invited to attend. https://www.york.cuny.edu/se/general-education-conference.

Future plans for the eLearning Readiness Program include making the text-based website more interactive with videos for which students will write and perform the dialogs. This could be part of a Service Learning program supervised by faculty in the Speech Communication & Theater Arts and English departments. More strategies for increasing awareness of the site among students, faculty and academic advisors need to be considered. These projects should be placed on the committee's agenda for 2011-2012.

3. Old Business

Options of how to improve the eLearning site and how to disseminate the information to the QCC faculty members of all disciplines to have their students become familiar with the site are being gathered and feasible strategies are being discussed.

4. New Business

At the April 12 meeting decisions will be reached on how to publicize the eLearning Readiness Program among academies, advisors and students. During the May 10 meeting new members will be introduced and a new chair and secretary will be elected. Dr. Volchok reminded all committee members to apply for Senate committees for the next year.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm. The next meeting will take place immediately after the Plenary Session of the QCC Senate on April 12, 2011 at around 4:15 pm in Room H-345. The last meeting of the academic year will be held in H-345 at around 4:15 pm on May 10th after the Academic Senate Plenary Session.

Respectfully submitted, Lorena B. Ellis Secretary of the Committee on eLearning