BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT GREENSBORO

December 6, 2007

ACTION ITEM: Request to Discontinue the Interdisciplinary Center for E-Learning

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Interdisciplinary Center for E-Learning was established in 2003 to conduct research related to instructional technology and resulted in several effective events and projects. It has been inactive since the resignation of its administrator, Bob King in August, 2006. The School of Education faculty do not indicate a need to continue the center and are provided course design and instruction technology support from the School of Education Instructional Technology consultant.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees of The University of North Carolina at Greensboro approve the discontinuation of the Interdisciplinary Center for E-Learning.

David H. Perrin
Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
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Request to DISCONTINUE an Institutional Center or Institute

This form must be submitted and approved prior to closing an institutional center or institute. This form may not be used to discontinue an inter-institutional center or institute.

A request to discontinue may be initiated by the individual who has primary responsibility for the center/institute (the Provost / Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, an Associate Provost, Dean, or Department Chair / Head.)

Reasons to discontinue a center/institute may include such things as a changing need for the center’s work or research, loss of key personnel, or unavailability of funding.

Submit three copies of all materials to the Associate Provost for Research and Public / Private Sector Partnerships, 1601 HHRA, Campus

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I. General Information

Name of Center/Institute: Interdisciplinary Center for E-Learning
Organizational structure
☑ Center
☐ Institute

Proposed Status
☑ Institutional (UNCG campus only). Complete this form.
☐ Inter-Institutional (involves more than one UNC system campus)

STOP: If you checked “Inter-Institutional,” you must follow a different. Contact the Associate Provost for Research and Public / Private Sector Partnerships at 256-0426 for more information.

Type of Center / Institute
☑ Research
☐ Public Service
☐ Instructional
☐ Membership
Please attach responses to the following. Provide the information on one side of the paper, 1 ½ inch left margin, all other margins 1 inch, Times Roman. Do not exceed 5 pages.

II. Explain in detail the reasons for the request to discontinue this center or institute. Include such considerations as loss of funding, loss of key faculty or other administrators, change in mission or goals, and/or replacement by a new center/institute, etc.

III. Explain how an orderly termination or transfer of contractual obligations will be handled during the "phase-out" period.

IV. Explain efforts that will be made to find alternative employment for full time staff affected by the discontinuation.

V. Indicate the proposed effective termination date.

VI. Provide any additional information necessary to support the request to discontinue.

Submitted by: Sandra M. Bates-Hart
Title: Dir. of Instructional Technology-Soe
Signature:
Date: 11/6/07

APPROVALS:
Sandra M. Bates-Hart
Department Chair / Head
Date: 11-7-07

Dean
Date: 11/7/07

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Associate Provost for Research
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Date: 11-8-07

Provost and Vice-Chancellor for
Academic Affairs
Date

Chancellor
Date

Chair, UNCG Board of Trustees
Date
II. The Interdisciplinary Center for E-Learning was organized in 2003 for the purpose of conducting research related to instructional technology. The key administrator was Bob King. Several effective events and projects resulted from this project. Bob resigned his position with UNCG, School of Education effective August 26, 2006. As a result, ICE became inactive for more than a year and faculty did not indicate a need to continue the center. Faculty are provided course design and instructional technology support from the SOE Instructional Technology Consultant.

III. The key administrator resigned his position on August 26, 2006. Consequently, there are no required transfers of contractual obligations.

IV. Discontinuation of ICE does not affect other full time staff. Bob King resigned on August 26, 2006. For that reason, alternative employment will not be required.

V. Proposed effective termination date: December 1, 2007.

VI. See above