



Luna Community College: "The People's College"

Becoming the Premier Rural Community College in America

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**Luna
Community
College's
Title V
Mission:**

"Developing a comprehensive online learning network for rural, time and place-bound students."

External Evaluators Visit Luna Community College

On Thursday, Feb. 25, external evaluators, Don and Ramona Munsell and the team of Maddie Zeigler and David Caffey, spent the day evaluating the Title V Program at Luna Community College. The evaluation started off with the entry meeting with a welcome by Mary Medina, Vice President of Student Services, which proceeded with introductions of the guests present at the meeting. Veronica Serna, Title V Activity Director, presented the Title V Project Policies and Procedures Manual. Elaine Luna, internal monitoring team member, spoke on the role of the Internal Monitoring Team. The Title V Internal Monitoring Team has essential advisory and liaison roles in the project and is a vehicle for ensuring that the college complies with EDGAR (Education Department General Administrative Regulations), regulations regarding systematic monitoring of the project. The team members, college faculty, staff, and administrators appointed by LCC President Dr. Pete Campos, are charged with high priority responsibility.

The on-site evaluation report will provide the Title V program at Luna Community College the opportunities for increasing the number of faculty and staff who gain a working knowledge of its purposes and processes and move on to the next level. The external evaluators felt the overall progress of the program is outstanding. They also stated that there is strong support from administration and the fiscal office.

As Sherry Goodyear, Title V Instructor, stated: "The quality of students is better with online courses because of utilizing all required tools on Blackboard."

On another note, discussion of grant opportunities took place for sustainability for year 6.



Title V staff, select IMT members and evaluators of Ramona Munsell & Associates, meet to review Year 2 of the Title V grant.



During the exit meeting, attendees gathered to listen to the commendations from the evaluators as to how the Title V Program is executing the grant objectives.



Title V Staff recently participated in College Night 2010 held at the Abe Montoya Recreation Center.

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Lorraine Martinez,
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