

NCCCLRA District 5 Meeting Minutes
11/6/09
CPCC Levine Campus, Matthews NC

Attending in person: Amy Burns (CPCC), Vicky Tsai (CPCC), Jennifer Balance (CPCC), Steve Osler (CPCC), Elaine Kushmaul (CPCC), Yan Wang (CPCC), Kenny Teeter (CPCC Library Intern).

Attending in-world: Becky Leland (Isothermal), Charles Wiggins (Isothermal), Kimberly Balcos (CPCC), Gloria Kelley (CPCC), Martha Taylor (CPCC).

Presenters: Marcia Addison , Mark Sivy

Business: It was suggested that a Spring meeting be held to give District 5 members the chance to share what is happening at their institution and hear about other libraries. A time and place will be determined. Volunteer to host is needed.

Marcia Addison and Mark Sivy introduced NC WeBIEE in Second Life.

<https://sites.google.com/site/ncwebieeproject/>

NC WeBIEE is a Web-Based Immersive Environment for Education which has been created to facilitate the planning, development, support, research, and offering of virtual instruction. This is being done in a manner that builds on community knowledge, promotes collaboration, sharing, and exchange, and enables high quality instructional interaction and outcomes.

The development of the NC WeBIEE region is a direct result of North Carolina K-20 faculty , staff, and institutions expressing interests in networking, collaborating, and augmenting their array of instructional capabilities within a virtual world setting. As a result of this input and stimulus, and through support provided by the North Carolina Community College System's Virtual Learning Community the NC WeBIEE virtual world environment has been created for teaching and learning purposes, as well as for related presentations, meetings, and conferences.

Members joined in Second Life from Isothermal and CPCC. The session was lively mix of presentation, questions, and demonstration. NCWeBIEE is a project to explore using SL as an educational tool. It offers the visual aspects of education lost in Learning Management Systems (such as Blackboard and Moodle). Socialization and presence are very much a part of SL, and students bring their own ideas of a virtual world with them. Marcia and Mark introduced how the NC Community College System is supporting and using NC WeBIEE, offering meeting space, office space, training and guidance on educational use of SL to educators around the world.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Burns

Director, District 5