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Online Education Initiative:

- Canvas has been selected as the OEI's common course management system.
- The intention is that Canvas will be offered to participating colleges at low or no cost.
- The OEI will have info out about an implementation timeline after March. Timelines depends on details in negotiations.
- Canvas and the OEI are working with the 8 pilot colleges on implementation planning.
- Canvas and the OEI are working with @ONE to develop professional development road map.
- Sandbox, or test server, space will be available for colleges.
- Canvas has a tool that imports Blackboard courses, and 60-75% of the content will come over clean, with the rest having to be cleaned up by the instructor.

- The exchange is supposed to go into play in Spring 2016. The OEI anticipates matriculation agreements in place by then.
- The first courses (24) in Canvas are anticipated to begin in Fall 2015.

Other OEI news:
- Proctoring tools are being evaluated by an OEI workgroup.
- Tutoring solutions are available through the Foundation for California Community Colleges. Tutoring service NetTutor is available at a low cost. WorldWideWhiteboard is available for no cost, but we would have to provide our own tutors.
- Student readiness solutions are being revised for deployment system-wide by Spring 2016, if not before.
- Underprepared student support is being develop
- According to OEI executive director Pat James, the OEI might have to ask the state legislature for more money. She doesn't know if $10 million a year is enough.

- According to Pat, the OEI is looking at a help desk solution for "at least" after-hours support and is currently working on an online counseling solution.
- On April 8 from 10:20-12, there will be an OEI Virtual Town Hall at Campus Technology conference. The webcast is free. Register at the Campus Technology web site.
- Online Teaching Conference: Registration to attend the annual OTC is open at http://onlineteachingconference.org. The conference is June 18-19 in San Diego. The early-bird price is $195 if you register by April 17. The conference hotel, the Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina, costs $189 per night (not including tax). This hotel group rate is good through June 1.