1. In spring 2023, the DE success rate of 73% was two percentage points higher than the previous spring and was also just one percentage point off the all-time high at LPC, set in spring 2021. The retention rate of 86%, however, was the highest ever not only for a spring term, but also for any fall term since the beginning of online learning at the college. The previous high for a spring or fall term was 85%, set in the springs of 2019 and 2022.

2. Each semester, Wanda Butterly will solicit voluntary web accessibility checks in Canvas course. For this semester, she emailed all faculty September 12.

3. The fall edition of the four-week HyFlex training program is scheduled for October. Because the faculty contract states that faculty have to be trained before teaching HyFlex classes, and because not all faculty know they are supposed to teach a HyFlex class until after the training program has ended, Scott will design a self-paced version of the training in Canvas that can be taken at any time.

4. The committee discussed ideas on how to let students—prior to registration—know exactly which online participation choices HyFlex instructors will allow. Scott will create a matrix to post online with the options for each class and hopefully get a link added to the Class Web schedule that points students to that matrix.

5. An adjunct instructor requested that the committee discuss the enabling of students to have Teacher access in Canvas non-instructional courses, namely for a student club. She wants them to have Teacher access so they can make changes to announcements, discussions, and pages only. Currently, for security and privacy reasons, students are not allowed to have Teacher access to any courses. A request was made to customize a role in Canvas that could give students the above permissions, while maintaining security and privacy. Also, the district Technology Coordinating Committee discussed this last Friday, and it was requested that a position paper be written on the topic and brought back for discussion.

6. Canvas recently announced that many artificial intelligence (AI) tools will be introduced over the next year or so. Aside from being able to create elegant page layouts, instructors will also be able to use AI to create lessons, create rubrics, give feedback on essays and grade essays. Canvas will use Khanmigo, Khan Academy’s AI student tutor and teaching assistant.