From: Susan Bennett
To: Ellaine Hislop
Subject: RE: oportunity for Hills?
Date: 03 July 2012 11:24:06

Thanks Ellaine

Not 100% sure but low, I'd guess at $300/yr covering loss and breakage of keypads. Warrantee is 3yr on them all and the router. Software upgrades automatic.

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From: Ellaine Hislop
Sent: Tuesday, 3 July 2012 10:20
To: Susan Bennett
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Hi Sue

Just wondering what you expect the ongoing or maintenance costs of this system would be. I would like to build these costs into any proposal I present to potential sponsors.

Many thanks

Ellaine

From: Susan Bennett
Sent: Monday, 25 June 2012 9:58 AM
To: David Hampson
Cc: Ellaine Hislop; Kelly Hall; Mark Glyde; Martin Cake; Emily Cleare
Subject: RE: oportunity for Hills?

Dear David

The SAP teachers have been thinking of ways to improve and modernise teaching within their disciples, firstly with the OCSE and CPSE style of assessment for VET 530. We'd like to better prepare students for VET530 and help the students learn the content of 4th year by putting it into context, doing so through training in the application of knowledge. This style of teaching in Veterinary Science has been trialed internationally, has proven effectiveness and should enhance our acreditation prospects. The only problem with this style of teaching is that it's considered expensive. The KeePad technology should allow us to teach clinical problem solving to large groups and should therefore be a cost-effective way of providing it.

Teachers within most clinical disciplines (and some preclinical ones) have been canvassed and sound keen. Clinical academics will need minimal prep time for such teaching and the work will be spread between many so it won't affect work loads significantly – it might even reduce work load if students are better prepared for VET530.

I think we can expect a high yield for effort and cost with a session scheduled every fortnight through 4th year – it fits into the existing lecture timetable. We can set a CPSE style exam as the last exam of 4th year and the marks can be distributed into the final exam marks for each contributing unit, thus this change need not affect course structure. I would co-ordinate it overall (or an admin assistant could do it) but as a teacher in multiple units.

Soon, I will schedule a session whereby Emily Cleare will present on the effect of case discussions on learning then a person from KeePad will present on the effectiveness of the technology in teaching and how we can use it then I will present on the logistics of providing the teaching and then their can be discussion/questions.

The software allows for storage and analysis of data so we might get a publication out of it – on the effectiveness of KeePad for provision of case-based learning to large groups of veterinary students.

I think this could be a worthy venture for an external sponsor to fund, hence approaching the Vet Trust. We would use the technology in our CVE events, so a sponsor would capture 100% of our students, multiple times, and the practitioners who attend our CVE. Please consider the attached proposal.

Thank you David

Best wishes

Sue Bennett

From: Ellaine Hislop
Sent: Mon 6/25/2012 08:44
To: Susan Bennett
Subject: RE: oportunity for Hills?

Hi Sue

Thanks for the info, it sounds great.

Can you please fill in the attached form, and then have it approved.

Once this has occurred, send the form back to me and I'll contact you to get further information in order to start on the project.

If it is something that would be beneficial for CE events, perhaps work with Kelly on it also.

Many thanks

Ellaine

From: Susan Bennett
Sent: Friday, 22 June 2012 6:37 PM
To: Ellaine Hislop
Cc: Mark Glyde; Kelly Hall; Martin Cake
Subject: oportunity for Hills?

Hello Ellaine

I think I have a venture on the go that would provide a great opportunity for raising the profile of a sponsor with students and vets. We would like to purchase KeePad technology at a cost of $5000-5500. This will enable relaxed but engaging, enjoyable, interactive whole year group tutorials. They will be held fortnightly so there's lots of opportunity for the sponsor's involvement to sink in. We intend to use this style of teaching for all 4th year students next year and introduce to other years in the future – so 100% of our students are captured repeatedly. It should form a positive association as the sessions should be fun as well as useful.

We would also use the technology in our CVE events so we would be exposing the veterinary community too. The technology is very transportable and some of our acedemics run CVE all around the country and internationally.

A company that markets to small animal practices would get great and repeat exposure if we were to badge the sessions with their logo and make their sponsorship known. Equine and production practices will also be exposed. The technology will be used by at least 20 teachers next year, across all clinical disciplines, and they'd be good advocates too as it enhances teaching efficiently.

Thanks Ellaine, I'd be most grateful if you would consider putting this proposition to a potential sponsor in some manner, ready for Jan 2013 (so we can practise using the technology ready for start of sem 1).

We will be holding an info session for teachers in a couple of weeks and the technology will be demonstrated by the supplier.

Best wishes

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