Wild Endeavor Projects Implemented in 2010 – 2011

**Mobile Lab** - Dr. Janelle Masters, together with Elmer Weigel, were practicing the lean office process when they began to digitize the student evaluation of faculty. By doing this, hundreds of hours of manual input were eliminated. The next step was to bring the computers to the students. Thirty iPads were purchased and put on a mobile cart that can be utilized within any classroom. Budget: $17,339.95  **Impact:** Faculty and staff began using the Mobile Lab in February 2011, and as the end of the semester arrived the lab was used three to four times a week, often several times a day. From February – May, 2011, the lab was checked out a total of 41 times.

**BSC T-Shirts for Dual Credit Students** - Kari Williams, Alternative Learning Coordinator, proposed the idea of giving high school students who take dual credit courses at the college a BSC t-shirt. The advantages of doing this are to reward the student for taking dual credits with BSC, encourage them to attend college at BSC when they graduate, and promote BSC to other students. The project was approved and implemented immediately. Budget: $800  **Impact:** The dual credit program has become so popular that most of the inventory of shirts was given out during the first year.

**Community of Learners Student Desks** - After visiting other colleges that used this concept, Dr. Janelle Masters proposed a Wild Endeavor to purchase 20 roller lounge student desks. This allows more mobility and encourages group discussion and activities. The project was approved and the new student desks were placed in Amy Juhala’s English classroom for a “test run” during the 2010 Fall semester. Budget: $13,000  **Impact:** Students did come to class early. As for the "thinking pods" - the students bonded with each other much better in pods, which helped to develop a stronger sense of community.

**Classroom Management Software** - Michele Schatz and Carol Flaa put themselves into the roles of our faculty and realized the challenge and opportunity for technology use in the classroom. While technology can be good, it can also be a huge distraction. They brought forth the idea of implementing LAN School software within the classrooms which would allow teachers control of students’ use of non-pertinent applications while in class. This will benefit both the students and faculty. The project was approved and implemented. Budget: $6,800  **Impact:** According to champion Michele Schatz, “LanSchool is installed on 17 computer labs on BSC campus. There are 24 instructors that have the LAN School teachers console installed on their laptops along with about 4 IT staff. After the Wild Endeavors video there were a number of people that had commented to me that they thought it was a wonderful idea and project and thanked me for finding the product and making it available. I even had one instructor contact me to have the software installed on his laptop so he could start using it as well.”