

University Assessment Committee (UAC) Minutes, February 3, 2016

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University Assessment Committee

Tuesday, January 13, 2016

1:30-3:30pm

HH 1711C

Attendees: Connie Shriner, Alana Malik, Chris Roseman, Barb Kopp Miller, Sue Ann Hochberg, Michele Soliz, Steven Peseckis, Scott Molitor, Brandon Hines, Virginia Speight, Sammy Spann, Anthony Edgington, Holly Monsos, Gbenga Ajilore, Brian Ashburner, Stephanie Shaulskiy, Barbara Schneider, David Krantz, Terribeth Gordon-Moore, Wendy Cochrane, Lew Gibbons, Sarah Long, John Plenefisch, Marilynne Wood, Nancy Staub

Vice Provost Report

Connie updated the committee on the HLC, stated there was a draft on the entire document on the web, feedback was received on sections of assessment. Concerned about one standard. HLC and UAC general response.

President Gaber's Discussion

Dr. Gaber commended the committee for the hard work and dedication they have for assessment. She discussed her vision for the Strategic Enrollment Planning committee and what they are working on for the University and what they are looking at. Dr. Gaber stated that she feels that the continual assessment and improvement is important. She expressed desire to learn about the process of the material that were assessing, what does it look like, what are the action steps that comes out of those. Connie discussed to the President the collaborative process for quality improvement for programs who may feel threatened by the term assessment. Lastly, Alana informed the President about the revised the University's Assessment Plan and will share the document to the President.

Chair Report

Invited everyone to post their annual presentations to Blackboard, formal invitation coming soon and a discussion board will be accessible for any questions

Invited the committee members to possibly present/discuss their presentations to the committee in upcoming meetings, sign up was passed around

FAR Report

Didn't have one present, but combining December and January reports and will have one available for all come February.

Office of Assessment, Accreditation, and Program Review Report

Alana welcomed Brandon Hines, the new GA for the Office of Assessment

Updated the committee in regards to Ming, Ming is now working for Institutional Research and is still around and willing to help

Update regarding Assessment Day, the speaker Linda Suskie wants the committee to let her know the issues and then will customize things specifically to present on. Passed a handout with Linda's direct questions for the committee to answer. Please turn into Alana as soon as possible, via campus mail or email.

General Education report is completed and is being reviewed

Alana explained what the survey was, how it was distributed and informed everyone that the Senior Survey has been sent out and opened up last week, went out to 1398 seniors that applied for graduation and 177 have already completed.

Brian updated the committee about the University-level (Qualtrics) exit survey and Shelly will be discussing this with the deans and provost's staff next week about this

David, Chris and Alana are scheduled to meet with the department chairs for the courses that are part of the Gen Ed., assessment of the Gen Ed Courses. Meetings are scheduled for the spring

Annual Report update is being reviewed and will be coming out shortly

Alana informed the committee about UT CLA scores compared to national averages and explained to the group what the CLA is and what it measures

Alana informed the group regarding a new feature on the Assessment Tracking Tool, Alana will give your dean the access to see the report if requested, Alana will assist those who may be struggling with using the tool

Alana discussed the awards subcommittee, which is made up of Vicki, John, Nancy, Llew, Wendy, Laurie and Brandon, Alana will be sending out the information soon and decision needs to be made by the beginning of March

Discussion

Alana discussed and explained in detail the various pieces of the NSSE results with the assistance of a PowerPoint

Committee members formed groups to discuss the scores and differences in groups from the data, groups informed committee members about the strengths and weaknesses they noticed from the data.

Alana announced that the application for the Higher Learning Persistence and Completion Academy was accepted and will be playing with the HLC starting in the spring

Next meeting is February 3rd, 2016 in HH 1711C at 1:30pm.