

Assessment – Input from Colleges

Thursday, December 11, 2014

1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Wade Building, Suite 412 A

Meeting Notes

Present	Not Present	Guests
Jean Ashwill Carrie Ausbrooks Bryan Baker Shanna Banda Stephanie Barnes Barbara Becker Vanita Bell Eric Bolsterli Minerva Cordero Rebecca Lewis Marie Lindley Araya Maurice Anna Mroch Lynn Peterson Loraine Phillips	Molly Albart Kim Breuer Rebecca Boles Elisabeth Cawthon Tim Henry Bob Kunovich Jason Shelton Shelley Smith Amy Speier Chandra Subramaniam	

Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Dr. Loraine Phillips
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Agenda Item	Comments	Recommendations/ Actions/Follow-up
Sign-in	All present introduced themselves	
Assessment Minute	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Phillips explained that the Student Experience Survey (SES) was administered by Dr. Araya Maurice and that Ms. Anna Mroch put together a presentation of the survey findings (originally for President Karbhari).• While the (SES) results were previously given to the group, Ms. Mroch discussed the highlights.• Dr. Carrie Ausbrooks commented that she likes IER's website and that it is easy to navigate.• Dr. Phillips noted that survey results are posted on IER's website. She also indicated that revisions were made to the SES based on feedback received from the group.• Dr. Eric Bolsterli asked if the Exit Survey is administered only in spring. Dr. Maurice indicated that the survey is administered in both fall and spring.• Ms. Mroch added that Qualtrics sends automatic reminders to students who have not completed the survey.	
Pilot Paper – Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Phillips shared the report of the pilot assessment of the Communication Core Objective that occurred during summer 2014. She noted that IER plans to use it as a precedent for future reports on core objective assessment.• Dr. Phillips invited feedback on the report.	

CAT Test Scoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Phillips reminded the group that CAT stands for Critical Thinking Assessment Test. • Dr. Phillips explained that a pilot test administration was conducted with the Honors College with 30 student participants. Scoring for that administration will occur December 16, 2014. Four faculty members have already been scheduled to do the scoring. • Dr. Bolsterli asked the length of the CAT and Dr. Phillips said one hour. Dr. Bolsterli expressed interest in using the CAT in some courses administered through COLA. Dr. Jean Ashwill and Dr. Marie Lindley indicated that Nursing might consider using the CAT as well. 	
TracDat Update (configuration)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Rebecca Lewis updated the group as to the progress of TracDat configuration. She expects configuration and unit set-up to be completed early 2015. 	
UEP Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Lewis said some units still have assessment plans that need to be completed and finalized. She distributed college-specific lists containing the status of respective assessment plans and asked the group to encourage those within their college/school to complete the plans. 	
College Assessment Summaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Phillips reported that there was much discussion at the SACSCOC Annual Meeting of colleges/schools summarizing assessment activities. These summaries are from the college/school perspective and they describe what has been assessed and how the assessment information was used. She then asked the group for ideas about how to go about getting this type of information. • Dr. Peterson asked if IER could provide some examples/models. 	IER to provide the group with sample college/school level assessment summaries.
Student Achievement Website Requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Phillips explained that SACSCOC has requested a web link for a web page that contains our student achievement data. The web site should also contain our targets for success as well as rationale of target selection. • The website was shown to the group and can be found at: http://www.uta.edu/ier/Resources/Students%20Achievement/index.php. • Dr. Ausbrooks noted that College of Education must publish passing rate information and she could then link to this website. Dr. Becker indicated that SUPA must also post similar information and offered to send links that could be added to the Student Achievement website. 	
Core Objective Assessment Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Phillips explained that Signature Assignments have been collected this semester that will be used to assess the Communication Core Objective. Scoring of student work will occur in spring 2015. Faculty scorers will be needed. Dr. Phillips said faculty from Social Work and Nursing have already volunteered to serve as scorers, but more scorers are needed. • Dr. Bolsterli mentioned that he was unaware of a call for scorers. Dr. Phillips noted that IER will send additional information making faculty aware of the scoring opportunity. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Phillips indicated that US News continues to add new surveys and President Karbhari has directed that these surveys be completed in full. A couple of new surveys as of October 2014 include Best Graduate Schools for Nursing and Education. 	

Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.
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