

University Assessment Committee

Wednesday, February 7, 2018

1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

North Engineering - 1022

Minutes

Present: Alana Malik, David McMurray, Nancy Staub, Holly Monsos, Scott Molitor, John Plenefisch, Lisa Taylor

Updates - Chair

- January retreat follow-up and evaluations
 - Went very well – everyone enjoyed it
 - Graduate Council issue – received the NSSE data from undergraduates, corresponding undergraduate surveys from graduate students, but no information on those – need to give Grad Council a seat at the table on the committee.
 - Committee's comments on the day: perhaps bring in more members from the Committee on Institutional Effectiveness and Planning
- Data summary – thoughts or changes
 - Graduate faculty believe that graduate education is undervalued compared to undergraduate education.
 - When making statements about students – make an edit to say percent of students or state the number of students analyzed.
 - Data was not collected for graduate students – need to find ways to collect meaningful assessment data on graduate students for the 2019 retreat. 'Lack of data available for graduate student learning.' May not have the ability to collect it for next year, but it is possible.
 - #6 – 'CLA has been difficult to promote in the past.'
 - Update on the Writing Task Force: Provost said they will receive a response.
- Discussion of changes to the recommendations letter to the Provost.
 - No anecdotal statements – data-driven examples and quotes.
 - Helpful to the committee if Provost could meet and review the data and discuss future actions – invitation at the end.

Assessment Awards Sub-Committee

- Send out general call, via email, for service on the committee (from non-nominated units).
 - Nancy will send out a call for committee members.

Updates - Scott

- Committee on Institutional Effectiveness and Planning (CIEP)
 - Diagram on Assessment, Review, Strategic Planning and Resource Allocation – UAC, Academic Program Review – created a layer between that and a Provost to review all of the information to then make recommendations to the Provost in terms of resource allocation related to strategic planning.
 - Strategic Plan, strategic priorities, what are the data from review of student learning, review of services provided to students, review of programs and program outcomes – putting it all together for specific recommendations to the Provost on these areas.
 - First meeting was Feb. 28th.
- Academic Program Review Committee
 - Got through the backlog of programs that needed to be reviewed.
 - Had meetings with programs, deans and the Provost.
 - Came up with a list of action items to take next.
 - Looking at the follow-up process – will be following up with programs to check progress.
 - Looking into coming up with an annual/final report.

Updates – Alana

- Value Initiative: Asked if we had faculty members interested in being peers in the review process.
 - Specific areas of interest are requested.
 - Have some people learn how to do it, in order to show our faculty the process.
- Holly Monsos, John Plenefisch, Anthony Edgington, Kate Bryant from Math and Kristen Keith will be attending an HLC workshop on Gen Ed – to help teams of folks from different institutions talk about their philosophies of Gen Ed, review what everyone is doing, etc. Will have an update at the next meeting.
- Senior survey
 - Went out to 1,535 student – 649 students have taken it (started it)
 - Closes February 9th
 - David will add it to our senior survey results
- Sent out college-specific NSSE data
 - People did share it – if you want additional follow-up or facilitated discussion, Alana is happy to help.
 - Can also run additional questions, if requested.
- Assessment Plans
 - 48% have started
 - Committee liaisons to review the ones that have already been turned in and give them feedback by the end of spring break – also, request that the remaining 52% have theirs done by spring break and take time after spring break to review.
- HIPs Survey
 - Ready to go – Will send it out to the program directors first, will come from the Provost
 - Intended for undergraduate programs – baseline data
 - State ‘One survey per person’ and request an option for program directors to state whether they represent multiple programs.
- Assessment Day
 - Contract for Assessment Day has been sent to Tia McNair – waiting for it to be returned and finalized.
 - Packet included a list of sample titles for potential talks - liaisons to decide on the day’s workshop subjects/titles

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

April 11, 2018 – Assessment Day	9:00AM-2:30PM	SU 2592
May 2, 2018	1:00-2:30PM	NE 1022