The University Assessment Council

Notes
April 22, 2014
210 East Annex

- **Introductions**
  - James Hardin, Marsha Adams, Kevin Whitaker, Jon Acker, Claude Arrington, Julie McAdams, Ray White, Jim Bailey, Mary Kay Meyer, Kathy Bolland, Beverly Roskos, George Daniels, Loren Kuffel, Ginger Bishop

- **WEAVE**
  - **By July 1, Ginger asks that all units/programs complete one of two analysis questions to be added to the WEAVE site.** The type of question will depend on whether it is an academic unit or administrative unit. The analysis questions are intended to summarize the impact that a unit/program’s assessment activities have had over the last three to five years. The answers should be concise, but complete.
    - The UAC suggested the following analysis question for academic units:
      - Informed by your assessment activities, what changes have you made in your degree program in the last three to five years? Describe the changes (e.g., curriculum revision, new courses, faculty development), the general results that prompted the changes (e.g., student performance on an assessment measure), and any impact on student learning that you might attribute to these changes.
  - If departments want the latest and greatest assessment information included in the SACSCOC Compliance Certification evidence file, please update by July 1. OIRA will begin creating PDFs from the Detailed Assessment Reports (DAR) to include in the evidence file for each of the units/programs.
  - After the meeting, this question was proposed for administrative units:
    - Informed by your assessment activities, what changes have you made in your unit in the last three to five years? Describe the changes, the general results that prompted the changes, and the impact on your unit’s goals that you might attribute to these changes.

- **UAC Retreat, May 28**
  - At North River Yacht Club...per request, directions to Yacht Club and within facilities will be sent prior to retreat
  - 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
  - Breakfast, lunch and snacks provided
  - Focus - The Future of IE at UA: Where we want to be and how we get there
• Assessment Tuesdays
  o Because of the hectic time around graduation and the retreat later in the month, there will be no May meetings of the UAC. However, the UAC will resume meeting the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 2 p.m. in June (10th and 24th).
  o The primary focus of the summer meetings will be to present program assessment plans and/or reports for review, discussion, and suggestions for improvement within the context of a professional learning community. The UAC is seeking at least two volunteers with an interest in presenting at the June 10th meeting.

• Updates
  o Administrative Assessment Council will be developed separately of UAC. Lorne and Ginger are to make recommendations to the Provost who will take to the VPs.
  o Assessment Newsletter – nothing to report at this time
  o Assessment Webpage – still on the back burner
    ▪ Glossary
    ▪ Resources
    ▪ Templates
    ▪ Examples
    ▪ Handbook
  o SACSCOC Evaluators
    ▪ Ginger discussed the role and responsibilities of SACSCOC evaluators. Recommendations will be made to Dr. Bonner, who nominates to SACSCOC. For more information, see http://www.sacscoc.org/committee_forms1.asp for your reading pleasure.
  o SACSCOC Decennial Review
    ▪ Bob Smallwood continues to work on the narratives related to IE and assessment.