Assessment Council Meeting Minutes August 26, 2014
Present: Ginger Bishop, Mary Kay Meyer, George Daniels, James Hardin, Julie McAdams, Claude Arrington, Jon Acker, Ray White, John Schmitt, Jim Bailey, Donna Keene, Mary Anne Connors, Kathy Bolland, Vivian Abbott, Kevin Whitaker, Beverly Roskos, Alice March

Discussion

Ginger gave an update on SACSCOC. Report must be in by Sept 9, 2014. She gave demographics on peers who would be looking at UA’s report.

Dr. Beverly Roskos provided an update on QEP. She has set up three committees:
Draft a description of a competition for best Experiential Learning on campus
Research what makes something transformative
Create a survey for faculty and co-curricular staff regarding their current experiential learning activities.
UA was in a two year monitoring period in the past due to our QEP.

Provost, Kevin Whitaker, had no new business to discuss.

After September 10, 2014 Ginger would like to implement Institutional Effectiveness workshops. There was a group discussion where it was decided that programs tailored to a department would be the most effective means of participation. She would like to start scheduling these after September 10, 2014.
A WEAVE workshop was requested.

Ginger Bishop and Mary Anne Connors are working on a handbook for Assessment.

The committee discussed the IE process so that assessment results are distilled at higher levels of administration within the colleges and university. The process must be defined soon so that an RFP can be developed for assessment management vendors, including WEAVE.

Ginger had prepared an example of a “good” assessment and handed out copies to those present as well as an article titled “Assessing Graduate Student Learning in Four Competencies: Use of a Common Assignment and Rubric.

The meeting was adjourned.