

Assessment of Student Learning  
November 1, 2007 1:00pm  
FDC# 113

Present: Carlos Andres, Jim Tuedio, Chad Stessman, Roseanne Roy, Fan-Yu Lin

Absent: Armin Schultz, Erin Bowe

Called to order: 1:05 pm

Carry over items from September 27, 2007 Meeting:

1. Proposal to amend ASL Subcommittee membership to include PAC  
UEPC is still looking at the membership and will be moving forward.
2. Review the recommended revisions to the charge of ASL Sub  
UEPC is also looking at the revisions of the charge at the same time that they are looking at the membership. ASL assumes that they are going to be moving forward with this as well.

New Items for November Meeting:

1. Proposal for 3-year funding commitment for PAC  
Nancy Taniguchi is requesting a three-year commitment from the university for funding their positions (either stipend or release time) so they can truly engage in Program Assessment, as opposed to assessing a single objective.  
Consensus: This would be an incentive in the leadership role. Make a motion to UEPC as a recommendation
2. SEC would like us to identify no more than five strategic actions that we think should be implemented first.
3. The committees suggestion for having the GE Director to serve as an ex-officio and a non-voting member of the ASL subcommittee was approved.
4. GE Assessment report

Concerns voiced:

- GE is in the middle of an Academic review. There was hope that the coordinator would be in place by this summer.
- Some of the faculty have put together a plan on how they would access their courses, how the GE program is meeting the seven GE goals.
- There needs to be a definition on what is being taught in the courses.

- There also needs to be a better description of what category the courses fall under. There are always at least one or two courses a year that no one is really sure what category they would fall under.
- WASC wants to know how we are assessing the GE program
- We would like to develop something similar to what we are doing now so that we don't have to start over from scratch.
- This is hoping to be a start for a long term review process.
- This review will be very similar to PAC but for the GE Programs.
- One person involved from each department, and the larger department would have more than one representative.
- The PAC has a problem with evaluations in their department. Would this same problem occur with evaluating the GE courses?
- Once all the data is collected, will there be any consequences for the faculty members that are not meeting the desired qualifications?
- What is going to be done once the data is collected? It would be unfortunate to collect all this data and then it not be used.
- The program could be used to also see how the faculty feels about the GE program.
- The PAC members are being brought into the process for now to start training.
- Many of the faculty members are not informed on this information. Maybe give a brief description on what to assess.
- What about the funding? That will be discussed at the UEPC meeting.
- This year is when we are supposed to be assessing our GE courses for WASC.
- It would be a good idea to advise the faculty members at the beginning of the semester which courses they are going to be assessing.
- Have a couple of workshops held in January for the people who would be on the department assessing team. They could then sketch out a plan and have a couple months to get everything together and distributed.

Adjourned: 2:03 pm