Assessment Meeting - 01/12/2016 12-1:30pm (approved Feb.4)

Monday, December 14, 2015 5:18 PM

Meeting Attendees:

Geoff Martin, Mike Davis, Cari Hennessy, Susan Marcus, Diego Baez, Joshua Jones, Helen Valdez, Leah Page, Derek Lazarski, Ana King, Leone McDermott, Maureen Pylman, Akbar Ebrahim, Harry Sdralis, Farzana Najam

1) Nov. 5 2015 meeting summary - approved (with addition of Ana King to list of attendees)

2) Assessment Committee -- plans & possibilities

- Geoff highlighted 2016 Assessment initiatives in front of us: i) PLO, ii) study of Oral Comm, iii) Unit Assessment, iv) Assessment fairs/conferences, v) accreditation planning, beginning 2017
- Committee should select an in-coming co-chair for Fall 2016 to allow for gradual transition through AY2017
- Possibility exists for Assessment positions with stipend, provided clear job description & duties are clearly listed. Spread tasks, expand involvement

3) Program-Level SLO update & for tomorrow (Wed. Jan 13)

- Geoff explained process of planning and discussions around PLO Initiative. Definitions as agreed upon by Assessment Committee, VP Pervez Rahman, VC
 - o Program: "any credential (degree or certificate) that is approved by ICCB"
 - Pathway: "an internal advising guide"
 - In order to prepare for 2020 accreditation and attend to 2010 self-study critique, admitting that we lack Program Level Outcomes (PLOs), Truman College is focusing on developing outcomes in 2016 for AA, AS, AGS degrees and, within specific Departments, for AAS and Basic and Advanced Certificates.
- Geoff and Susan will lead first half session on GenEd review & brainstorming; Geoff and Diego will lead second half session on Study of Written Comm. with norming

4) GenEd - Study of Oral Communication - Spring 2016

 All-faculty survey finalized for distribution to all-faculty. Logistics will be worked out at Feb. meeting when faculty responses can be reviewed.

5) Unit/Discipline Assessment Report -- a proposal:

- Geoff proposed that through Spring 2016, the committee work in small pairs/groups by Dept., with input from Dept. chairs, to create a 2-3 slide "mini-report". The project would:
 - highlight one or two current assessment efforts/questions ongoing in each department
 - o compile & visualize data from this assessment work (Fall 2015, Spring 2016)
 - record each department's findings, observations, and changes/improvements planned
- The report would be discussed through February, worked on over March/April, and submitted in May. With full report shared at FDW in Aug. 2016

6) Assessment Presentation Opportunities/Ideas:

- Geoff will be co-presenting with Naveen Aman at Adjunct Orientation (Thurs. Jan. 14)
- Mike Davis proposed a "By the Numbers" consulting service offered to departments by Mike, Cari, and Maureen. The intention is to help Depts. pose questions using OpenBook data and enhance faculty-led decision-making.
- Diego will take lead on proposal for IL Assessment Fair (Feb. 26th at Harper College)
- Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Chicago, April 15-19, 2016
- CILC "Best Practices" Symposium at Truman April 15, 2016
- AAC&U "General Education & Assessment: From My Work to Our Work" Feb. 18-20, New Orleans http://www.aacu.org/meetings/generaleducation/gened2016

Meeting adjourned 1:32pm