

UAA Faculty Senate Academic Assessment Committee

Minutes: December 4, 2015

11:00a – 12:30p, ADM 204

General Business

- Approval of agenda
 - Approved
- Approval of minutes from 11/6/2015 (pgs. 3-5)
 - Approved
- Vice Provost report
 - None this week, but the committee has been invited to the Vice Provost's end of the semester celebration

New Business

- No Assessment Plan Reviews
- Planning for the Spring Assessment Workshops: Titles? How many? Dates and Times? Rooms? (Last year's series pg. 6)
 - CoEng is thinking of bringing up a speaker to talk about assessing the soft skills – is there support from the committee?
 - If we decide to support this and open it up to people around campus, it is suggested that we book a room ASAP since they tend to fill up quickly
 - Also, talk to General Education Advisory Committee since this will align well with what they are already doing
 - ALHE Assessment of Learning in Higher Education would be a good place to start looking for a speaker (might even have a speaker listing)
 - Engineering is going to be very busy preparing for ABET so there's a good chance this won't happen until later in the spring
 - Motion to support this idea made, seconded and approved
 - The titles, how many workshops, and dates and times are still up for discussion
 - One of the workshops should be on reliability and validity (whether you're really assessing what you think you're assessing), i.e. Rachael's workshop
 - Mat-Su is also doing one on reporting assessment results, and one on reflections of where each program is, so we might be able to hold versions of these on Anchorage campus as well
 - Another topic of interest is eportfolios and assessment (e.g. College of Ed has found that Digication is not able to do some of the things that they might want)
 - Could have an Eportfolio session to talk about the problems and potential, since some programs have already tried to implement them and will have concrete things to talk about



- A discussion with nuts and bolts details would be welcome
- Would be a good idea to find out what programs are using eportfolios and get their feedback
- A workshop on filling out the annual survey and assessment reporting – closing the loop
 - “Compiling and Presentation”
- There is currently confusion about how identical the assessment needs to be between Anchorage campus and the community campuses – certainly we are encouraged to coordinate but to what extent are we required to be the same?
 - Might be a good idea to bring these discussions to a workshop
 - Very important for programs like the AA that are offered across multiple campuses
 - “Assessment Across Campuses,” or “Assessment Alignment”
 - This is something we should consult with the Vice Provost about in order to determine whether a workshop is needed – let’s put this on January agenda
- Suggestions for workshops
 - Friday, February 12th, 1-3:00 pm – eportfolios
 - Programs that are using eportfolios at the program assessment level
 - Lessons learned
 - Deb and Kathi will coordinate
 - Friday, March 25th, 10-12:00 – reliability and validity
 - From mapping to data collection
 - Rachael’s workshop
 - Friday, April 15th, 10:00-11:30 – closing the loop
 - LIB 307 already reserved from 8:30-noon
 - Telling the story, closing the loop, completing annual assessment survey
 - Writing up the “so what” part
 - Bill (telling the story) and Jeff (closing the loop) will coordinate
- There is also a GER Assessment workshop Thursday January 7 in LIB 307

Continuing Business

- Assessment tracking and archives of artifacts, data, and reports – CIS A310 students
 - Jeff and Geomatics is using a database program written by a Computer Science guy in Dayton, and reports that it’s really nice, would be of interest for a future meeting
- Update and adopt Committee bylaws

Future Business

- Erin Holmes, Director of Institutional Research, will be rescheduled in spring



Informational

- Programs with minor assessment plan/PSLO changes
 - Aviation Technology BS – Professional Piloting emphasis (pgs. 7-26)

Committee Members

X	Tim Benningfield, Faculty Senate
X	Rachel Graham, Faculty Senate
X	Jeff Hollingsworth, Faculty Senate
X	Brian Bennett, Faculty Senate
X	Bill Myers, CAS
X	Christina McDowell, CBPP
X	Adrainne Thomas, COE
X	Thomas Harman, CTC

X	Kathi Trawver, COH
X	Deborah Mole, Library
X	Jennifer McFerran Brock, CoEng
X	Holly Bell, Mat-Su
X	Scott Downing, KPC
X	Cynthia Falcone, Kodiak
	Susan Kalina, Vice Provost <i>Ex-Officio</i>

X = Attendance

Scheduled Meeting Dates Academic Year 2016		
Date	Time	Location
9/4	11:00-12:30p	ADM 204
9/11	Assessment Seminar 9:00-12:30	LIB 307
9/18	Cancelled	-
10/2	11:00-12:30p	ADM 204
10/16	11:00-12:30p	ADM 204
11/6	11:00-12:30p	ADM 204
11/20	Cancelled	-
12/4	11:00-12:30p	ADM 204
12/18	Cancelled	-
1/15	11:00-12:30p	ADM 204
2/5	11:00-12:30p	ADM 142
2/19	11:00-12:30p	ADM 204
3/4	11:00-12:30p	ADM 204
3/18	Cancelled	-
4/1	11:00-12:30p	ADM 204
4/15	11:00-12:30p	ADM 204
5/6	11:00-12:30p	ADM 204
Academic Year 2016 schedule: 1 st & 3 rd Fridays unless otherwise noted		