

Notes of Meeting of members of the University Assessment Committee February 27, 2009.

There were seven members present, one fewer than necessary of a quorum: Bakr Aly Ahmed, Myron Eighmy, Ebb Pankow, Bill Slanger who acted as chair, Carolyn Grygiel, Bunnie Johnson-Messelt, and David Wittrock.

Bill S. led the group through all items of the agenda that had been provided by Bob Harrold Chair of the Committee who was not able to attend because of being on a day of sick leave.

- 1) Regarding a location for March 27 meeting, Bakr Aly Ahmed will check on the conference room in the new downtown Architecture and Landscape Architecture Building Klai Hall and notify Bob H. The Alumni Center was also mentioned.
- 2) Bill S. shared that his Office is administering this spring 2009 semester the Collegiate Learning Assessment, a performance based measure of value-added student learning, to the sophomores currently enrolled who took the CLA as freshmen fall 2007. A CLA Performance task for review is available at <http://cla.cae.org> using session number 5115-531929. Sample Analytic Writing Tasks (Make-an-Argument and Critique-an-Argument) can be viewed by visiting the CLA website: <http://www.cae.org/cla>.
- 3) Debb P. and Bunnie J.-M. of the University-wide Assessment Plan Subcommittee reported that the Extension and Student Affairs drafts have been written and are awaiting another meeting of the entire Subcommittee.
- 4) There was no report regarding the Communication and Training Subcommittee.
- 5) Carolyn G. reported that there are 90 registered already for her and Susan Ray-Degges' Pedagogical noon Luncheon of Thursday, March 5th in the Prairie Rose Room of the Memorial Union.
- 6) Regarding the draft example assessment report for training, a group spent a few collective minutes with the example Bob H. had provided dated July 2008. One suggestion was to weave UAC's Goal C) into the example. Goal C) is Facilitate appreciation by the campus community for distinctions between programmatic goals, departmental objectives, and student learning outcomes that are measurable and based on the level of individual courses.
- 7) Bill S. invited open ended discussion of any germane topic. Myron E.'s interest in assessment of student advising led to a few minutes discussion on that topic.

Next meeting is Friday, March 27 @ 3:00 p.m. at a location to be determined.

Respectively submitted by Bill Slanger