

MINUTES
ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

Friday, October 8, 2010 - Lincoln Room – 2:00 p.m.

Present: Donna LaLonde (chair), Melodie Christal, Joanne Altman, Jane Carpenter, Pamela Erickson, Yvette Jenkins, Vickie Kelly, Danny Wade, and CJ Crawford (administrative support). Absent: Pat Munzer, Denise Ottinger, Gillian Gabelman, Jay Memmott, Kathy Menzie, Kandy Ockree, Kelley Weber, and Lucas Mullin.

The minutes from September 17 were approved with a change to the meeting day.

ETS PROFICIENCY PROFILE TEST STATUS UPDATE

CJ reported that the testing was going very well with great support from the Freshman Comp professors resulting in improved participation over last year. We are on track to reach our goal of 200 freshmen this fall. There has also been great support from the senior capstone professors who are participating and that testing is also going well. All fall testing, except for seniors in the nursing capstone, will be completed in October. Jane Carpenter will be sending dates to CJ for the nursing capstone.

OCTOBER ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP

The subcommittee met and is proposing that scenarios be given to each table to engage in discussions for solutions to the following areas that were identified from the committee's review of the annual reports: a) communicating results to stakeholders (who are stakeholders?), b) establishing benchmarks, and c) effectively closing the loop. After requesting ideas for possible scenarios, one department asked about the culture (buy in) of assessment – what to do when other members of the department won't engage. It may be a good idea to bring this up for discussion towards the end of the workshop.

NON-ACADEMIC AREA ASSESSMENT

Donna met with areas of Student Life. Denise has been actively working with the directors. Student Life is working on completing the Student Learning Outcomes matrix. CUSP is also working on identifying outcomes for their areas.

ASSESSMENT SHOWCASE

As a follow up to the committee discussion in September, Donna asked everyone to think about whether or not to hold an assessment showcase in the spring and if so, what would the format be. If we are going to proceed, the committee should make a decision in November.

The meeting adjourned.

FUTURE FALL MEETINGS (Lincoln Room from 2:00P-3:00P)

Friday, October 8

Friday, November 19

Friday, December 10