

Student Affairs Assessment Council

Minutes

April 6, 2005

Attendance: Beth Dyer, Rosemary Garagnani, Ryan Collay, Eric Hansen, Rick DeBellis, Jessica Heintz, LeeAnn Baker, Kami Smith, Edie Blakley, Jodi Nelson, Mina McDaniel, Gina Shellhammer, Susie Leslie, Rebecca Sanderson

Review of Assessment Plans

Ryan and Rosemary reviewed the UHDS and Student Media Assessment Plans.

Student Media themes: May need a statement to talk about how the mission and goals fit with the OSU mission. Further clarification about what constitutes a “professional” experience. Likely need to consider methods other than surveys to document the learning that takes place. Such things as portfolios, work samples from students, etc; and then to show how you use that information and how that affects what you do. Overall good plan with just a greater need to focus on the learning that is occurring in St. Media’s various programs.

UHDS themes: Very good business plan with a variety of business outcomes. Very comprehensive and somewhat overwhelming. May want to consider separating the business plan from the learning plan in terms of sections of the report. Suggest some sort of introductory statement about where we are, where we are headed, what we learned and how we use it—sort of the story telling part of the report that could reference various tables, etc. May want to think about who the plan is written for as well since some of it is for internal readers and other parts are more for external readers—how to make it workable for both?

Both plans showed great progress and are much improved from previous plans. Good job to all.

What is Happening in Academic Programs Around Assessment?

Academic Programs has established a University Assessment Council composed of folks from around the university. It will be chaired by Leslie Burns. At this time the committee has not met but several activities are set for the month of April. April 20 the council will have a breakfast meeting with Barbara Walvoord and then on April 21 members of the council as well as some other OSU folks will travel to Salem for a one-day conference with Dr. Walvoord on assessment. Rebecca is on this committee and can bridge the two councils. Mina also indicated that there would be sub-committees that would need interested people to be involved.

Methodology Sessions

The dates, times and location of the three workshops will be:

April 7 9-11am MU 213

This workshop will begin with an explanation and overview of various methods for obtaining assessment data. There will be time for questions and also to begin working on specific methodological issues that participants may bring to the discussion.

April 12 9-11am MU 211

This workshop will focus on the specific questions and methodological questions that the participants bring to the session. Please bring your plans, assessment methods and be prepared to work with the group to find solutions.

April 14 9-11am MU 211

This workshop will be a repeat or extension of the April 12 workshop—depending on the needs of the participants. Bring your plans, questions, and ideas.

CIRP Questions for summer 2005

April 10 is getting close!

Other?

Any volunteers for reviews for the next meeting??

Kami and Eric will do SMILE on May 18 though we still need another one or two to review on that day.

Assessment Council Retreat—Monday, June 20--Tunnison community room

Next Meeting—APRIL 20 AT 11:00AM IN MU 110