

Institutional Effectiveness Committee Meeting
November 20, 2014 3:30 p.m. President's
Conference Room

Members Present

Laura DiPaula, presiding
Talisha Adams
Brian Adler
Darcy Bragg
Lisa Cooper
Anish Dave
Bryan Davis
Darcy Donaldson
Ru Story Huffman
David Jenkins
Kelly McCoy
Maggie Lehman
Boris Peltsverger
Feng Xu

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 3:35pm by Lauren DiPaula

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the September 26, 2014 IEC minutes were presented. Brian Adler moved that the minutes be accepted. David Jenkins seconded the motion. The committee voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

Report of the Assessment Subcommittee: Bryan Davis reported that the assessment report is under way and will be ready for the December meeting.

Report of the Strategic Planning Subcommittee: Lisa Cooper reported that the committee will meet next week to discuss annual reports.

- Bryan Davis asked for feedback on the Qualtrics Survey that he created. A discussion took place on question types and the type of responses we are seeking. A suggestion was made to include the Foundation in the survey but not alumni because we are seeking current feedback. Committee voted 7 to 6 in favor of keeping the survey as created as opposed to expanding the survey to a skip logic which would allow participants to be more elaborate in their feedback.

Report of the Critical Thinking Task Force: Feng Xu reported that the task force has two recommendations for the committee (see Critical Thinking Task Team Report). .

- Bryan Davis expressed concerns on the purpose of the Critical Thinking Task Force and stated that its purpose was to look at current means of assessing Critical Thinking in the

Core due to it previously being labeled as inadequate.

- IEC members voted on the Critical Thinking subcommittee's recommended definition of Critical Thinking. Vote passed with 11 in favor, 0 opposed, and 3 sustained. Lauren DiPaula will send the recommendation of the Critical Thinking definition to both the Committee on Academic Affairs and the Graduate Affairs Committee for approval or disapproval.
- IEC members decided it would be best to table the second recommendation of the Critical Thinking Subcommittee until a later date.

Report of the University Learning Outcomes Task Force-Kelly McCoy reported that LEAP won't be a USG initiative but will be a voluntarily based initiative. He reported we could expect to have a draft of university learning outcomes for early spring semester.

Agenda for Assessment Day

- Possible agenda items for that day:
 - Learning Outcomes-Added to agenda
 - Latest NSSE FSSE results
 - Brian Adler, Lisa Cooper and Bryan Davis were able to pick out our own peer institutions this time and we will notice that there are not many statistically significant differences. Lisa Cooper will send out the Executive Summary of the NSSE report to the IEC members.
 - Assessment Subcommittee Report
 - General Education Annual Report
 - SACSCOC Reaffirmation Report (final)
 - Product of Task Forces

The December meeting will be scheduled for the morning of Tuesday, December 16th. It will take place at 10:00am in Admin 127.

Meeting adjourned at 4:21pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Talisha L. Adams
IEC Member