

IEC Minutes
November 8, 2011

Attending: Dongwen Qi, Keaton Wynn, David Jenkins, Josh Curtin, Darcy Schraufnagel, Lisa Cooper, Joe Krupka, Andy Bosak, Peg Ellington, Gayle Alston, Bryan Davis, Mikki Guest, Bryan McLain, Cody King, Ru Story Huffman, Paige Bragg

Andy Bosak called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Peg Ellington, and the motion passed.

Lisa Cooper discussed the results of the NSSE and FSSE, with indication that GSW faculty seem to be satisfied with the NSSE results. She passed out 2011 NSSE Multi-Year Benchmark Report, and suggested to discover how we can focus on an area we want to improve upon as a method of action. Lisa Cooper will send benchmarks from other items and means if there is an area we want to target.

Lisa Cooper than passed out the Student Faculty Interactions that compares the NSSE with the FSSE. She stated benchmarks have been mapped to strategic goals.

Bryan Davis spoke about IEC Assessment Day, which will be held December 13, 2011. He provided handouts of the NSSE results from 2005-2011, broken down by freshmen and seniors. He will send a spreadsheet of benchmark items and trends of mean responses to give a sense of significant changes. He then asked if we believe there are areas we think need further study, and are we satisfied with where we rank in the surveys.

An overview of the Strategic Plan from the 2008 Adult Learner Inventory Survey presented information on strengths, challenges, and benchmarks that were gleaned from the survey. Bryan Davis will send the complete report and will discuss the findings on Assessment Day.

Discussion of the Assessment Day was finalized; with the meeting to run from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm. Data from the Assessment Day can be passed to the QEP Committee to assist with possible topic identification.

Subcommittee reports were given:

SACS COC – Kelly McCoy is serving as chair of the QEP and they are looking to add members and publicize the process. An article on the QEP process will be available on the webpage and Americus Times Recorder.

Strategic Planning and Assessment– The committee met twice and mapped the NSSE results to the Strategic Plan.

Budget Planning and Assessment – The committee has not met in the past month. The Budget and Finance Committee has met, with this committee a result of the Budget Planning and Assessment subcommittee.

Academic Support Committee – This committee has not met as a group, but they have been collecting data and will meet to discuss recommendations.

Andy Bosak asked for comments and discussion concerning the appointment of Kelly McCoy to the IEC Committee, and his capacity if he is appointed. The issue of having a Dean on the committee was addressed, and the University statutes were discussed. An open meeting schedule was suggested, with meeting notices to be sent to faculty and staff to inform them of meetings. It was suggested the Faculty Senate needs to make an appointment from Arts and Sciences to fill the vacancy on the IEC Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ru Story Huffman