

Minutes

University Assessment Committee Meeting

February 7, 2013

Present: M. Aranda, S. Austin, N. Grim, D. Potluri, B. Rowan, C. Snelling, M. Sudeith

Excused: E. Arnott-Hill, Z. Burch, S. Cook, E. Osika

The minutes of the November 2012 meeting were reviewed.

B. Rowan provided an update on the HLC visit. The draft report is still anticipated.

Regarding the general education curriculum, M. Sudeith indicated that the first group of course proposals are under review, and input on assessment will be provided.

B. Rowan reported that the LiveText pilot proceeds. He will propose consideration of adding the LiveText fee to the Tuition and Fees Committee for discussion.

University Assessment Workshops are planned for March 25-26. Topics to be covered include PME/non-academic assessment and ePortfolios.

A date for the Assessment Fair will be finalized before the next meeting.

Regarding general education assessment, a discussion ensued about whether we will assess the entire set of gen. ed. Courses under the revised curriculum. The general consensus was that we should/would, but perhaps employing a rotation relative to the six outcomes. N. Grim suggested this idea. General suggestion would be for continuous assessment but rotate the reporting by courses mapped to outcomes.

PME FY14 Draft plan reviews have been accomplished, and information relative to assessment will be shared with PME facilitators in advance of the March conferences. Together with budget and other feedback, the assessment reviews will inform finalization of draft plans by end of term.

N. Grim also suggested that we conduct a cycle of Assessment Reviews of programs and their assessment systems to align with IBHE program review. The discussion was focused on setting the cycle to coordinate the assessment review in time for programs better to prepare for the program reviews.

Regarding the mission of the UAC, it was suggested that the President and Provost should be aware of any change to the UAC mission. B. Rowan clarified that there is no particular desire to change the mission as opposed to review it in light of the committee's current foci. He also offered that the existing mission was not vetted in a formal sense by the administration; he offered to do so in due course, beginning with the Provost.

Next meeting: to be determined via Doodle scheduler for week of March 6-8.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:06 p.m.