

Laney College
Learning Assessment Committee
Meeting Notes for April 7, 2006

Members present: Tracy Camp, Vina Cera, Cheli Fossum, Ann McMurdo, Mae Frances Moore, Louis Quindlen, Linda Sanford, Ed Wright.

Absent: Jackie Graves, Evelyn Lord, David Mitchell, Karolyn van Putten.

1. Strategic Planning Retreat

There will be a retreat on Friday, April 21 from noon to 4 pm. We will cancel our next LAC meeting and attend the retreat instead.

There will be three aspects: shared governance, strategic planning, and learning outcomes.

It will be on campus. Lunch will be provided. It will be professionally facilitated by MIG.

There will be three breakout work groups, one on each topic.

Staff development has asked for some basic information: basic definitions, overview of assessment, systematic process for implementation.

The institution must work on setting course level outcomes, which lead to generating program outcomes, division outcomes, and institution-wide outcomes.

Everyone at Laney is invited to the retreat – faculty, classified, and students.

2. Announcement of Flex day workshop April 27 – How to Write SLOs.

Cheli and Mae Frances will facilitate the workshop.

3. Training sessions for Fall 2006

Proposals are due May 1.

We'll plan another SLO writing workshop, similar to the April 27 one.

4. Newsletter Topics

Samples of SLOs

Summary of planning retreat

Why we need to do this

Outcomes vs. objectives

Lots of examples

5. Brown Bag discussions

Two left – May 3, May 11

One of them can be a discussion of the retreat. Sum it up, tie in planning and outcomes, link to accreditation

The other one can be another discussion of SLOs. Maybe this time we can just tackle brainstorming SLOs for a couple of classes in depth.

Next semester: introduction to rubrics

Types of assessment measures
When do you assess?
Embedded assessment vs. targeted

6. Last meeting of LAC May 5

We'll have a 2 hour meeting.

Follow up on retreat

Look at last year's goals. Informally assess whether or not we met those goals.

Come up with outcomes for next year

Timeline