

**Learning Assessment Committee**  
**Friday, Jan. 22, 2010**  
**1:00-2:30pm, T-750**

Members Present: Vina Cera, Cheli Fossum, David Mitchell, Newin Orante, Linda Sanford, Karolyn van Putten, Eileen White

**1. Meeting Schedule for rest of Spring/10 semester:**

March 12 - Regular meeting

March 25 - is a Prof. Dev. Day, and we will schedule a workshop for Program Review, from 1-3pm

March 26 – will be left open for a possible regular meeting, since we do not meet again until the end of April

We will have only one meeting in months of April and May – April 30 and May 21. We will set up one or two workshops during those months, and will decide on the dates later.

Some wrap-up work sessions will be held the first week in June (possibly 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd) after Spring semester is over.

**2. Report & discussion on first Assessment Hour:**

Though small, the first Assessment Hour went well, with special certificates given to three of the four departments that had completed significant assessments. Math, ESL and Biology informed on how they achieved this. Discussion, questions and tips were well received, and were very helpful. The English Dept. will present next. A delicious lunch was served.

We talked about how to get a bigger turnout for future Hours. For March 9, we will invite specific people to the discussion on the importance of this dialogue for our learning-centered institution. We'll ask the Deans to invite one or two from each Division, or possibly members of various college committees.

The VPI will also give some time at Chair meetings to announce and elaborate on the importance of the Assessment Dialogue.

**3.** Newin Orante gave a Student Services update. Approximately 90% of programs have completed SLO plans. During peak registration time, a Satisfaction Survey was created and given in Jan. with 170 responses. This raw data will inform the various Student Services components for their program reviews. They are working on finalizing tools to collect more data. The plans are for having 60% go through a cycle this semester, and to complete a timeline for the 2012 deadline. A retreat for SLOs is planned for April.

**4.** The last part of the meeting was a review of the current draft for a Technical Assistance Program grant from the RP Group's Bridging Research, Information, and Cultures (BRIC) Initiative. Since we've lost our college research person, the need for this help is critical. We fine-tuned the answers to the application questions, specifically defining where our gaps were and how BRIC could help us.