



Assessment and Academic Improvement Council

Friday, November 1, 2013

3:00 PM, Student Union Exhibit room 1 (413)

1. Introductions and welcome

Call to order 3:02 pm.

Approval of minutes from November 2013

2. Update on hiring process for UAT Director. A search committee has been assembled and Jon Comer will head the Committee. (Dr. Brenda Masters)

3. Update on the OSHRE report has been submitted yesterday 10-31-13. The report was submitted on time with 94% reporting. Last year was submitted one month late with 85% completion. The report on the UAT Website www.uat.okstate.edu (Lisa Cota and Sarah Wilkey)

4. Assessment fee update: Assessment Fee =\$1.00, Career Services Fee =\$2.00, and Academic Advising Fee =\$ 4.90 listed together on the student bursar bill. Dr. Wilkey will follow up with Tulsa on their \$.25 fee and what it is used for.

5. Update regarding VALUE rubrics VSA reporting, as discussed at the CAGE meeting on 9-30-13, and at the last AAIC meeting hand out provided. Report every year certain information and every three years we report Value added assessing freshmen and seniors in the same year. We used to use a standardized test but now the VSA has approved the use of rubrics in place of a standardized test. Good news for us because we already use the Value rubrics in the Gen Ed assessment every summer, we can do both at the same time in the same year. Only caveat is the Value rubrics must be used. Rubrics are from AACU and have been put out for some time and people have been using them. CAGE approved the use of the rubrics. The ETS proficiency test cost 26,785 dollars in addition to the General Education cost and did not provide us with a good sample of students. Using the rubrics will cost less, and the quality of information we get from the rubrics is better than what we get having the students take a standardized test. We will need to reconfigure the order in which we collect the artifacts from Written Communication, Diversity, and Critical Thinking. We are sending out emails to ask for freshmen writing assignments from classes that we know are taken by each freshman in their first semester. We will need more raters than the usual 12-16 due to the large amount of artifacts being submitted. Dr. Wilkey has asked for papers from classes in the fall that have graduating seniors (as determined by cross-referencing the list of student who filed a diploma application with the Registrar). - Seniors in December

qualify for the reporting provided they are graduating in December. Some discussions have taken place to train the raters to ensure interrater reliability when using the rubrics. Also, it was noted that the rubrics have the same scale range, however VSA uses a 0-4 scale and the OSU rubrics use a 1-5 scale. CAGE will determine how to deal with this.

Dr. Wikle asked about changes to the April 2013 minutes. Changes were made and email sent to the AAIC members.

No other business items.

Meeting adjourned. 3:25 pm.