



Assessment & Academic Improvement Council

Meeting Minutes

Friday, March 3, 2017 • 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. • 460 Student Union

Present: B. Davis, C. Campbell, J. Comer, C. Edwards, K. Gage, J. Gelder, S. Gordon, K. Hickman, C. Ippoliti, C. Johnson, J. Knecht, J. Nalon, S. Ownbey, R. Seitsinger, J. Swinney.

Absent: K. Clinkenbeard, L. Cota, P. Fry, C. Hawkins, B. Masters, K. Neurohr, A. Rauner, T. Wikle.

Guests: A. Witham, CAGE and GEAC members, D. Blum, M. Baker.

Call to Order. Dr. Ownbey called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and acknowledged the GEAC and CAGE members attending this joint meeting.

Presentation of Findings from the 2015-16 General Education Assessment – Diversity

James Knecht, Marshall Baker, Denise Blum, Precious Elmore-Sanders, Sarah Gordon presented a PowerPoint presentation outlining the findings of the Gen Ed Diversity report.

Discussion followed. Several attendees expressed interest in having the researchers (with or without some of the students in the study) give presentations to their departments or areas. The consensus of the group was that this presentation is the beginning of a process that can lead to solutions, and further discussion points/ideas should be presented and discussed in order to make campus-wide changes.

Discussion of 2015-16 General Education Assessment Findings

It was agreed that at the next AAIC meeting, there will be continued discussion of the Diversity general education assessment findings after attendees have a chance to process the information given during the Diversity presentation. Dr. Johnson recommended each member of the council should bring a list of their top three ideas for changes/improvements. Members came to a consensus that two of the three ideas should reflect on diversity, and one should pertain directly to general education. It was agreed that the UAT Administrative Assistant would send AAIC members a reminder to submit ideas, compile a list of submitted ideas submitted via email, and create a handout for the next meeting to help facilitate discussion.

CAGE and GEAC members not on AAIC were dismissed at 2:45pm.

Information Literacy Assessment (Cynthia Ippoliti) – this topic was held over until the next meeting due to time constraints.

OSU Graduate Alumni Survey for Spring 2017 – Call Center Issues (James Knecht)

UAT does not have the manpower to implement and run a call center for the Graduate Alumni survey this spring. Email surveys and reminders will be sent out, and there is a slight possibility that one or two of UAT's grad students will be able to do some calling, depending on email response rates. Mr. Knecht asked to be made aware of additional follow-up needs for those colleges and/or departments (ex: CEAT, SSB and COE) that use the Graduate Alumni Survey in their assessment reports. This is a smaller survey with a pool size of approximately 3,000 graduates.

Approval of February 2016 meeting minutes. The minutes were approved with minor changes.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.