

**The Minutes of
UNIVERSITY ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE
OF
ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY**

The University Assessment Committee met Thursday, February 27, 2014 at 3:00pm in room 325 of the Ross Pendergraft Library. The following were present:

Dr. Monica Varner (Chair)	Ms. Audra Porter	Dr. Patricia Buford
Dr. Stephen Jones	Mr. Wyatt Watson	Mr. Bruce Sikes
Dr. Annette Holeyfield	Dr. Lucas Maxwell	Dr. Ivan Still
Ms. Marilyn Johnson	Ms. Antonette Stuckey	Mr. Ken Wester
Dr. William Hoefler	Dr. Mary Gunter	Dr. Jason Warnick
Mrs. Shauna Donnell	Dr. Hanna Norton	

Absent:

Dr. Tim Carter	Ms. Amy Pennington	Dr. David Roach
Dr. Robin Lasey	Mr. Clay Wylia	

Guests:

Dr. Mona Chadwick, Center for Leadership and Learning

Dr. Jeff Woods, College of Arts and Humanities

Mrs. Brittny Daubenheyer, Student Services

Ms. Theresa Motley, Office of Information Systems

Mr. Daniel Riedmueller, Student Accounts

Call to Order Dr. Varner called the meeting to order.

Approval of

Minutes: December 12, 2013 minutes approved by the UAC.

Introduction: Committee members and guests went around the room and introduced themselves. UAC notebooks containing pertinent assessment information were handed out and are to be returned at the close of each UAC meeting.

Old Business: Student Services SSI and Assessment Conference Grant:

Ms. Daubenheyer briefly described the recurring Noel-Levitz Student Satisfaction Inventory. She explained how the inventory has been used to improve the safety and security of ATU students after results were analyzed from a previous SSI. The UAC reviewed the grant application and approved the grant.

General Education Program Information:

Dr. Varner answered questions on the General Education Goal Civic Involvement criteria which were approved by the General Education Committee. Dr. Varner and Dr. Warnick described their pilot study Giving Back: Academic Service Learning. The pilot study is an academic experiential learning activity and collaborative partnership with Student Services. The General Education Program Evaluation Rubric (2014), approved by the General Education Committee was approved as a living document. The form is designed to evaluate the General Education program which includes feedback from all stakeholders. The Continuous Improvement Annual Report was also approved by the General Education Committee, the form is designed to assist faculty and departments with General Education Continuous Improvement plans. No recommendation for changes were provided. The General Education Goal Civic Involvement will be reviewed by the Curriculum Committee, Faculty Senate, and the Office of Academic Affairs before final approval.

Presentation: Course, Program, and General Education Assessment System (CPGE):

Wyatt Watson demonstrated the Course, Program, and General Education Assessment System, also known as the “CPGE” system. The CPGE system allows for the tracking of students throughout their academic careers at ATU by allowing a user to input student data and their pass/fail rates (or degree to which the student passed or failed) of learning/course objectives. ATU’s ARGOS software can display an infinite number of trends depending on the parameters you tell it to display (GPA, demographic information, standardized test score information, etc...) ARGOS can link CPGE goals to program goals, as well as goals for

accrediting bodies. The CPGE system is set up to do academic program assessment, but cannot perform office assessment as of yet. Drs. Holefield, Buford, and Jones also demonstrated their use of the CPGE system for program assessment.

New Business: March Agenda:

We will be reviewing the Assessment Peer Reviews for TracDat reports by Professional Studies and their addition to the CPGE system.

Graduate College Assessment Plan:

The Graduate College has identified 9 goals for 2013-2015. The assessment plan can be viewed under the Faculty Resources tab of the Graduate College homepage. Dr. Gunter shared that strategic planning for the Graduate College is in progress.

Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.