

Academic Assessment Committee Meeting
April 23, 2019
MAC 620

Present: Kirk Jones, Johanna Lee, Phil Neisser, Ken Erickson, Sarah Todd, Pat Casselman, Wil Rivers, David Barnes, Tatsuhito Koya, Cullen Haskins, Renee Campbell

Kirk: Kirk reported that the GER, ISLO and AIM sub-committees are handling most issues. Therefore, he is recommending that we dissolve one or more of our sub-committees and handle any issues that come up through this group.

Wil: As chair of the GER sub-committee, Wil reported that the group is gearing up to report on last fall's assessment round. The writers of the report are those who are on the sub-committee and also reviewing the report. Wil wonders if this is not the best structure for consistent review, as this could be a conflict of interest. We have all the methodologies, rubrics, etc. Wil recommends that we dissolve the GER sub-committee and absorb it back into the larger AAC group.

Kirk: As chair of the ISLO sub-committee, Kirk reports the same thing.

Kirk: Assessment in the Major still needs work, so we will not be dissolving that one as of yet. Kirk reported that all AIM programs will have been updated by the time we have our next Middle States review.

Action: It was decided we will go with a "staggered approach" and bring the sub-committees back into the fold when/if needed. The ISLO sub-committee will be the first to be dissolved.

Kirk: We need to work on training for AIM, and provide training. We will look at rubrics that are being submitted to get a good sense of how all of this works instead of the piece meal approach, as people aren't getting experience that they need.

Kirk: Kirk talked about the current composition of sub-committees. We have 8-12 people who are not on the AAC. Kirk suggested asking some of these faculty to serve as standing members for ISLO rubric review. Kirk can meet with them in small groups to review rubrics in case the main AAC committee gets inundated with requests. Best practices for the assessment cycle model. Templates are developed for folks to go to for assistance. If you hear of any problems let's talk about it here.

Kirk: Kirk suggested that it may be beneficial sometime in the future to eliminate the Deans from this committee. He feels that we now have a handle on this process which is faculty-driven.

Action: It was decided we will see what the new Provost wants to do, but the Deans are fine with slowly being phased off the committee and leave it in the hands of the faculty.

Meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Renee Campbell