The University Assessment Council

Minutes
March 26, 2019
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Attendance: Jon Acker, Ginger Bishop, Chris Coleman, Fran Conners, George Daniels, Sarah Fitzgerald, Holly Hallmann, Mary Kay Meyer, Cecil Robinson, Tim Salazar, Rachel Thompson, Liza Wilson

- Chris C. “put Baby in a corner.” #agendahumor

- The group recognized the many contributions (to UA student learning/success) of Mary Kay M. and Tim S., who are riding off into the sunset soon. They’ll be missed!

- Summer events are confirmed!!
  - UAC Retreat – May 15, 12:30pm, BCC
  - Peer Assessment Feedback (PAF) – May 21 & 22 (full days), BCC

  UAC members will have the first opportunity to sign up for PAF. If any slots remain at the end of March, they will be advertised over the OIE listserv.

- The group reviewed a draft of an “annual assessment timeline” template for general distribution. Any edits should be sent to Chris C., who will disseminate the final product through the OIE listserv and website (probably early August). It can also be shared at the New Assessment Coordinator orientation event we run each August.

- Rachel T. updated the group on approaching (BIG) changes on the educational technology front. Tegrity (which does not begin with “In”) is disappearing in a year; and OIT’s contract with Blackboard Learn ends in Fall 2020. An RFP will be conducted and other considered LMS platforms will include Canvas (which is currently used by CCS) and Docebo (the new platform being adopted by HR).

- Regarding the web-based Honor Roll for assessment reporting (to be updated and announced each spring), the group endorsed the use of simple criteria that mirror those established for the Provost’s Assessment Award (average rating in Mature range, with no critical flaws [e.g., lack of data or coherent action plans]). All units (not just degree programs) will be eligible for the Honor Roll.

- The group agreed to cancel our April meeting so that everyone has time to vote on the Provost’s Assessment Award nominees (Qualtrics survey coming in late April).

Meeting adjourned
Next meeting: Retreat on May 15th (12:30pm, Rast A)