

DACC MEETING

Thursday, December 10, 2015 3-4:30 PM PV 502

Minutes

Attendees: Melissa Giese, Fran Padow, Tristan Londre, Jim McGraw, Mindy McCallum, Leo Hirner, Tammie May, Christine Meyer, Karen Moore, Mary Northrup

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were approved.

Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Dr. Hillman provided the written report below.

Report to the DACC 12/10/2015

I will not be able to join the DACC meeting on Thursday afternoon but I did want to provide this update/report.

The committee's role in leading the HLC assessment Quality Initiative was key to MCKC becoming an Open Pathways institution as well as preparing for the recent accreditation review. Your work is very much appreciate. Thank you.

The 2015 accreditation review cycle will be completed when the HLC adopts the final report and recommendations. We expect to receive a draft report and the opportunity to suggest corrections to factual errors later this month. Given the importance of assessment to the accreditation process I anticipate requesting DACC review and recommendations for factual error corrections. I also anticipate that the accreditation review report will provide many suggestions/requirements for improvement, including taking the college assessment program to the next level. It is likely that the next steps in the assessment program will become the new quality initiative required for continuation in the Open Pathways process, so your continuing work will be very important. The final report will also drive the completion of the MCKC strategic plan and therefore the planning process.

Thanks again for your diligent efforts and I look forward to working with you to help shape the continuing evolution of the MCKC assessment program.

Mike

IRB Report

No report

HLC Committee Report

- Melissa shared celebrations and challenges from the HLC visit

DACC MEETING

Thursday, December 10, 2015 3-4:30 PM PV 502

- **MCC's strengths:** Commitment to success; "one-stop shopping" for student services; innovative use of Title III (FOCUS) funds; passion across the board; commitment to diversity including some "innovative twists"; quality online education; and strong financial indicators.
- **MCC's challenges:** Struggling to become "one MCC"; a "brain drain" and loss of institutional memory and community connections following the wave of early retirements in 2013; and a shared-governance struggle.

Survey Reports

- Melissa analyzing data from CCSSE
 - Let her know if you would like her to come do a report for your campus/department
 - She's already done one report for LV
- We discussed if we would like to do Noel Levitz survey in the spring
 - It was stated by several that since it measure different things than CCSSE we should continue the survey cycle as is.

MCC Open Pathway Improvement Project Report

- Officers had a discussion about the feedback loop after their presentation. There is interest in developing a formal follow-up procedure
- We will have to see what the HLC recommendations will be for the program review in the spring
- **April 21st and 26th, 1:00-4:00** will be the discipline reviews.
- Melissa and Cynthia are working on getting rosters and lists together for which disciplines will be under review.

Higher Learning Commission Update

- Thoughts about the visit: the HLC team didn't ask as many questions as we expected; concern over HLC not understanding how far we've come in the past few years; we're expected to continue with what we're doing as well as take on a new project of our choosing; we must still have assessment be a part of our everyday business; and we are looking at both curricular and student development improvements.
- The preliminary report is due to us 12-25-2015

Assessment Reports

No report

Proposals for new assessment or survey requests

No report

Campus Reports

- BR – No one in attendance
- BTC–No one in attendance
- LV – Melissa presented CCSSE data to two groups at LV. The next meeting is in mid February

DACC MEETING

Thursday, December 10, 2015 3-4:30 PM PV 502

- MW – No one in attendance
- PV – No one in attendance
- FOCUS Grant – All 3 grants having a challenge getting “error free” reports from external evaluator; teams are working on getting the APRs out because they’re all due in mid-December; PV used Engage as a non-cognitive assessment, and we’ll have to look at the various non-cog assessment tools at a later date

Old Business

How should we assess our new AA Degree? We should go into it knowing our goals for course mapping

- This should be discussed at with the Senate Curriculum Committee

Placement Committee update

- Math ACT score will be changed in Peoplesoft so that we’re in compliance – this will be ready for Summer 2016 enrollment (score lowered from 23 to 22)
- What will we be using to replace COMPASS? We’ve got a deadline to have the recommendation to Dr. Hilman at the end of February, and we are looking at a phased roll-out. There was discussion around Accuplacer and multiple measures. However, the state’s Accuplacer cut scores are too high, and this could be an issue.

New Business

The 6th Annual Regional Community College Assessment Conference will be April 22nd, 2016 at JCCC. We’ve got 8 free spots left, and preference will be given to new faculty members. Registration will be \$85. They are also currently accepting conference proposals.

Next meeting: January 14, 2015, PVCC 503, 3:00 – 4:30

The meeting was adjourned.
