

Institutional Effectiveness and Assessment Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2007

The meeting began at 3:00 p.m. in the Provost's Conference Room in the administration building.

Present: Said Bahi, Bryce Christensen, John Eye, Deb Hill, Lee Montgomery, and Bonny Rayburn.

Excused: Steve Barney, Patrick Clarke, Wes Curtis, Prent Klag, David McGuire, and Dale Orton.

- I. **General Education Curriculum Mapping Project Report** – Lee announced that the general education curriculum mapping project is now up and running online. This project should enable the university to track what general education skills are being taught across the curriculum. Approximately fifteen people have responded so far and the project will remain up for the next two weeks for further input. Lee asked committee members to help spread the word among the faculty in their respective areas that it is important for them to participate in this project. A print-out of what is online was passed out to committee members to help familiarize them with the project.
- II. **Options for Assessing General Education Outcomes** – Lee handed out a report stating the pros and cons of four different options to choose from for general education assessment. The four options listed in the report were 1) Portfolios, 2) Commercially Developed Standardized Test, 3) Locally Developed Test, and 4) Course Embedded Assessment. Committee members discussed each option at length. Lee stated that a decision needs to be made because it is critical that some form of general education assessment be in place by next fall. He asked that committee members re-examine the options and e-mail him by May 4, 2007 with their preferred choice. Committee members who were unable to attend the meeting will be sent the information via campus mail and are also asked to e-mail their preference to Lee by May 4th.
- III. **Discussion of MAPP Test** – Since standardized testing was one of the assessment options referred to in the general education assessment discussion, Lee handed out copies of some information he had gathered on the Measure of Academic Proficiency and Progress (MAPP) test. He also distributed some sample multiple choice questions from this test so committee members could get a better feel for it.
- IV. **Adjourn** – The meeting was adjourned at 3:58 p.m.