



University Assessment Committee

March 30, 2016 Minutes

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Time: 2:00 – 3:00 PM

Location: Nevins Hall 1060

Members present: Dr. Michael Black, Dr. Byron Brown, Dr. Sudip Chakraborty, Dr. Ray Elson, Mr. Michael Holt, Dr. Jane Kinney, Mrs. Natalie Kuhlmann and Dr. Deborah Robson

Members absent: Mrs. Melinda Cutchens, Dr. James Holland, Dr. Hanae Kanno, Mr. Marc Kaiser, Mr. Brandon Mainer, Ms. Niki Turley and Dr. Christy Yates

Guest(s): Ms. Pat Rozier

Dr. Michael Black (Chair) called the University Assessment Committee (UAC) meeting to order on Wednesday, March 30, 2016 at 2:01 pm in Nevins Hall 1060.

Approval of the minutes of meeting - The February 17, 2016 minutes were distributed. The minutes were approved. The motion was seconded.

Announcements and Reports

SACSCOC Fifth Year Interim Report - Dr. Black informed the committee that the Fifth Year Report was mailed March 9, 2016. The document was 206 pages and contained over 800+ pieces of evidence, including the IEPs/IERs and colleges/division assessment committee. We anticipate receiving recommendations from SACSCOC sometime in July.

Dr. Black distributed a copy of the job announcement for the Savannah State University Provost position which focused on assessment and accreditation.

General Education Council – *No report*

USG Board of Regents - BOR approved removal of course overlay requirements from core curriculum on March 9, 2016 (handout). The requirements can be removed from advising sheets and core assessment plans. Please share with co-workers who are advisors.

Undergraduate Research Symposium will held be on April 4-7, 2016 in the Student Union Ballroom and Theatre. For more information go to <https://www.valdosta.edu/academics/graduate-school/urc/>

Project Innovate Grants – Award announcement is delayed to April 18, 2016.



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New Programs – USG approved the following programs this spring:

- MAT in Music Education – will begin Summer 2017
- BFA in Emergent Media and Communication – will begin Fall 2017

Dr. Black suggested a resource for assessment and best practices. Members can join the monthly email listing at the National Institute of Learning Outcomes Assessment at <http://www.learningoutcomesassessment.org/>

Dr. Black discussed the article *How a syllabus sparked a war between a professor and his college* (<http://chronicle.com/article/Silly-Sanctimonious/235861>). VSU has worked very hard to ensure student learning outcomes appear in course syllabi and in the catalog.

Business

Review of IER and IEP templates for 2016-17 – Discussion about updating the IER/IEP templates for academic and administrative units and the reviewer's template.

Meeting Schedule

UAC final meeting will be on Tuesday, April 26th – Bailey Science Center Room 1036 at 12 noon.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM.