

UNIVERSITY ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE
Summary Notes for Meeting, 3:00 – 5:00PM, April 9, 2002

Present: Linda Delene (Committee Chair, Vice Provost, Academic Planning and Assessment), Ariel Anderson (Teaching, Learning, and Leadership), Gus Breymann (Director, DCE Lansing Campus), Mozhdeh Bruss (Family and Consumer Services), Beth denHartigh (Disabled Student Services), George Fierro (College of Aviation), Joyce Kubiski (Art), Linda LeBlanc (Psychology), Lynn Lee (Trio Programs), Stephen Malcolm (Biological Sciences), Hossein Mousavinezhad (Electrical and Computer Engineering), Galen Rike (Waldo Library), Daniel Stauffer (Health, Physical Education and Recreation), Diane Swartz (Division of Student Affairs), Edmund Tsang (College of Engineering and Applied Sciences), and Martha Warfield (Division of Multicultural Affairs). Absent: Katharine Cummings (Teaching, learning and Leadership) Raymond E. Cain, Jr. (Aviation Sciences), Eileen Evans (The Graduate College), Damodar Golhar (Haworth College of Business), Bettina Meyer (University Libraries), Donald Meyer (Economics), Darryl Salisbury (CELCIS), Elton Weintz (History), and Robert Wertkin (Social Work).

The meeting summary for the February 18, 2002 committee meeting was accepted. Linda advised the committee that Professor Donald Meyer from the Department of Economics is replacing bob Peters (Public Administration) on the committee. However, given the recent timing of his appointment, he already had a meeting scheduled during this time.

There was some discussion of how to circulate the draft assessment plan throughout the University. Hopefully, a public draft will be available with the Committee's approval in late or mid-May which then will be widely circulated with a request for suggestions for improvement. Academic deans and department chairs will be asked to discuss the draft with their faculty colleagues in early fall. After the public comment period, and with presentations made to campus groups as well as the Faculty Senate, a final recommended plan would then be sent to the Provost and President for their approval.

The Committee then vigorously discussed the 3rd draft of the plan. Many suggestions were made including some for additions, clarification, simplification, and improved organization of the material. Linda encouraged everyone to send any further comments by email, and which will be incorporated where feasible into the next draft for the committee to consider in May. **N.B. The Committee's final meeting of the year will be during the week of May 13th.** The meeting was adjourned at 5:00PM.

**RECOMMENDED UNIVERSITIES WITH SUBSTANTIAL
WEB-AVAILABLE ASSESSMENT INFORMATION and MATERIALS**

University sites with developed assessment plans, policy, programs, and reports available on the web are the following ten institutions. ***Please note*** that you may have to search each individual site to find material about assessment, for example, under academic affairs, planning, institutional research, assessment, or strategic planning. Assessment information has a variety of "homes" in different institutions.

Ball State University at bsu.edu (BEST in CLASS NATIONALLY)

George Mason University at gmu.edu

Kent State University at ksu.edu

Louisiana State University at lsu.edu

New Mexico State University at nmsu.edu

Texas A&M University at tamu.edu

The University of Arizona at Arizona.edu

The University of Montana at umt.edu

The University of North Carolina at unc.edu

The University of Wisconsin at wisc.edu