

Minutes University Assessment Council

August 9, 2011
12:30-2:00

Brown Conference Room

1. Minutes from 5.10.11 were approved.
2. Scott delivered the following announcements
 - a. Welcome to new council members
 - Dr. Humberto Fabelo, Interim Dean, School of Social Work
 - Dr. Ann Hamric, Associate Dean, School of Nursing
 - Dr. Daniel Salandro, Associate Professor & Assessment Coordinator, School of Business
 - Dr. Jacqueline Smith-Mason, Assistant Dean, Honors College
 - Dr. Angela Wetzel, Director of Assessment, School of Education
 - b. Curriculum mapping workshops:
 - T 9/20; Cabell 320; 10-12
 - W 9/21; Cabell 320; 3-5
 - R 9/22; Sanger B1; 10-12
 - c. UUCC Curriculum and Course Proposal Forms
 - d. Assessment Reports due on 10/16
 - e. WEAVE technical workshops:
 - f. AQR Pilot Groups: Fashion & Design, English, MFA, Occupational Therapy, Pharmacy, Psychology-Counseling,
3. Discussion: Administrative Policy and Procedure for Assessment
 - a. There is no policy statement about assessing student learning outcomes at VCU. The faculty handbook includes a statement about WEAVEonline, but it is not a policy statement.
 - b. The council considered the pros and cons of whether or not a policy statement to support and authorize the council is appropriate. There was neither conclusion nor consensus.
 - c. A key point: the Assessment Council will not be a policy making body.
 - d. Scott will consult with Vice Provost for Faculty and Academic Affairs, Laura Moriarty, about whether a policy statement about learning outcomes assessment is appropriate or necessary.
 - e. Scott meets with Laura on Wednesday, 9/21.
4. Meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.