

STUDENT LEARNING ASSESSMENT COUNCIL

Minutes

September 15, 2014

Members Present – Zeni Colorado, Andrew Smith, Patrick Martin, Brian Schrader, Matt Seimears, Sheryl Lidzy, Julie Cayton for Melissa Bailey, Gonzalo Bruce, Allan Comstock, Jim Costello, Larry Falcetto, Michael Smith, Steve Catt, Lynn Hobson, Rich Sleezer, Mel Storm, Gary Wyatt, JoLanna Kord, and Brenda Nichols

Members Absent – Joe Yanik, Linda Adams-Wendling, Eric Yang, Cynthia Kane, Ellen Hansen, Shawna Shane, Nate Terrell, and Dan Stiffler

1. Mel Storm moved to approve the minutes and Andrew Smith seconded the motion, minutes approved as written. Jim Costello noted clarification on meeting times. The SLAC meetings are at 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for all scheduled dates. Jo Kord acknowledged the mistake in sending out prior communications that stated 2:00 p.m.
2. Compliance Assist Module in Campus Labs
The compliance assist interface is currently being customized to accommodate the operationalizing of assessment plans including linking to the ESU Strategic Plan, KBOR Foresight 2020 Strategic Plan, and the HLC Quality Initiative. The interface also provides a customizable reporting tool. Department chairs and Deans have been provided permissions in the system. And as assessment assignments within the departments are defined, permissions for these individuals will be assigned as well. Jo gave a brief tour around the platform, specifically showing the announcements page where access to informative data files are available for use in planning. This compliance assist interface is the tool that will be used to plan, record, and report assessment across the institution.
3. Review of the Student Success Data
The current data available to inform assessment planning is located on the announcements page in the Compliance Assist – Planning area. The direct access link is <http://emporia.compliance-assist.com>, you sign on with the same credentials that you use for ESU access. Using data to inform strategic assessment planning is key to ongoing improvement of student learning. Most of the external reporting data includes student success measured at the institution level. While these indicators are useful, having the ability to look at student success at a more granular level provides the information to initiate department and program level dialogue leading to informed student learning and academic success strategies. Additional data will be covered in upcoming meetings.

4. Student Learning Improvement Planning (SLIP)

The council was provided with a draft handout of the SLIP document. The charge was to review the document prior to our next meeting provide feedback on the plan in general and also to look at proposed timelines and determine if these are appropriate. The document will be discussed more thoroughly at our next council meeting scheduled for October 13th. Your input and contributions are genuinely sought and this is our assessment planning document. How this document shapes into a working plan drives the development of the Compliance Assist platform.

5. Meeting Adjourned at 5:00 p.m. – Next meeting is scheduled for 4:00 p.m. on October 13, in the Flint Hills Room of the Memorial Union.