

## Academic Assessment Committee

### Minutes

February 14, 2011

#### Attending:

Beth Rinard	Roger Wittie	Karol Blaylock	Teresa Davidian
Betty Jo Monk	Denise Martinez	Kay Teague	Dwayne Snider
Bob Newby	Jane Dennis	Melissa Becker	Gay Wakefield
Jason Sharp	Jason LaTouche	Thomas Bradley	

#### 1. Follow up RE SACS response

Tarleton's December 2010 reaccreditation vote is contingent upon another report substantiating that Tarleton's academic programs actually have followed through on the promises made RE upgrading of academic assessment as of the 2010-11 cycle.

Since 36 out of 41 schools going through 2010 SACS 5-year reviews were cited for academic assessment issues, it is imperative that that we assure compliance for 2010-11 and each year thereafter.

Since last July, Gay Wakefield has personally been working with each academic program throughout the campus to help assure they rectify concerns expressed by the SACS offsite and onsite teams, by this committee, and by the Office of Academic Affairs. She also is helping program leadership better understand assessment theory and practice, clarify and streamline their goals, SLO's (including application of Bloom's Taxonomy), and measures.

AAC faculty representatives from most of the academic colleges have been assisting in these work sessions, providing additional hands-on training and enhancing their assessment support and relationships in their colleges.

As of this date the following status applies:

COAES—plan upgrades completed and approved throughout the college

COBA—plan upgrades completed and approved throughout the college

COLFA—plan upgrades completed and approved, except for History (which is near completion)

COE—plan upgrades completed and approved, except that only one program has been completed and approved in Steve Crews's department (Kinesiology)

COST—only two departments' plan upgrades completed and approved, but ...

Sally Lewis has completed her bachelor's program and the rest of that department is working on theirs.

Daniel Marble met with me last month to get a list of loose ends that need to be finished up in his department.

Beth Rinard, George Mollick, and Elaine Evans still need to get their programs upgraded for compliance.

Remember that, since 2011-12 has rolled into WEAVE as the future cycle, all 2010-11 changes after Jan. 1 must be designated to copy forward or must be changed manually again in 2011-12.

Gay Wakefield's surgery is 3/11, so remaining programs need to move rapidly to gain compliance.

**2. Schedule**

Budget issues are significantly affecting the 2010-11 and 2011-12 aspects of our schedule this semester. The committee reviewed the calendar and made necessary adjustments, to be posted to the committee's Website and incorporated into reminder sheets.

**3. Dept. head rep's—Please update your college dean and all dept. heads on these items ASAP.**

**4. Spring meetings**

Calendar invitations were issued for this semester's remaining AAC committee meetings:

Monday, 3/7, 4:00, Admin 208

Monday, 4/11, 4:00, Admin 208

Monday, 5/2, 4:00, Admin 208