



Core Objectives Assessment Team (COAT)

Meeting Minutes

April 18, 2017
4:00, CHEC – 225

Kerry called the meeting to order at 4:00.

- Discussion with Dr. Dani Day, Vice President of Academic Services
 - a. Dr. Day explained that SACS is reevaluating their principals and the way General Education is assessed. She felt that the core structure would not change but that there will be a requirement to assess, identify, and document institutional changes in response to the assessment.
 - b. Dr. Day explained that THECB staff looked at the core curriculum across the state and they are not convinced that goals are being met. They do not feel that the students are being exposed to the core objectives uniformly and that there isn't a consistent focus on these objectives.
 - c. Dr. Day also mentioned two other changes that will impact the college as a whole, but not COAT.
 - i. Addition of an institutional mandate to teach students about Student Loan Debt.
 - ii. Requirements for boards to assess themselves and document the assessment.
- Rubrics
 - a. All the rubrics were reviewed and small changes in wording, grammar and structure were made to each.
 - b. The teamwork rubric was discussed. Inconsistencies with this rubric and the assessment procedure for this objective were discussed and edits were made.
- Procedures Manual
 - a. A section detailing the need for a continuous improvement plan was revised.
 - b. The word "sole" was added to the statement.
- Updates on:
 - a. Roll off dates - Kerry mentioned that those who roll off COAT this year have been contacted to see if they want to sign up for another term.
 - b. Reminders have been sent regarding the submission of artifacts and another will be sent before finals.
- The March minutes were approved as submitted.
- Assessment day date reminder
 - a. May 17 and 18
 - b. 9:00 AM
 - c. In the CHEC Boardroom
 - d. Kerry mentioned their intention to broaden the invitation to participate in Assessment day in hopes of having a large group and more awareness of the process.
 - e. A question was raised about inviting associate faculty. The decision was that they are welcome and encouraged to participate.
- Fall 2017 meeting dates
 - a. Monday, August 21 at 3pm;
 - b. Tuesday, September 19 at 4pm;
 - c. Monday, October 16 at 4pm;
 - d. Tuesday, November 14 at 4pm;
 - e. Monday, December 4 at 4pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15.