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Pew Faculty Teaching and Learning Center Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes Nov 28, 2011

Present: David Bair, Patricia Stow Bolea, Lindsey Ellis, Bruce Bettinghaus (for Vijay Gondhalekar), Scott Grissom, Deborah Herrington, Kim Kenward, Christine Rener, Peter Riemersma, Laurie Stickler, Darren Walhof, Joy Washburn.

Meeting called to order: 1:00pm

Approval of Agenda: The committee voted to approve the agenda. Joy Washburn moved, Laurie Stickler seconded. Approved.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: The committee voted to approve the minutes of October 31, 2011. Darren Walhof moved Lindsey Ellis seconded. Approved.

Announcements:

Applications for faculty learning communities are due at the end of December. The Teaching Award subcommittee divvied up the applications to assist in evaluating the large number of applications.

1. Old Business

A. Consistent Student Evaluation Tool

The committee discussed 3 different course evaluation tools, with the discussion lead by those select FTLAC members that were assigned to examine them in detail. Questions we considered included:

IDEA (Instructional Development and Effectiveness Assessment)

This survey tool is currently being used by the GVSU College of Health Professions. Questions focus on student learning and not specifically on the professor. The results are not easy to interpret and require some training. While you can add some questions, it is not easy to pull out information from individual questions. This offers multiple ways to get at teaching effectiveness. Has a lot of info and has been around for 35 + years. Allow classes to be compared across groups over time. It has been in use since 1975 and originated at Kansas State University. About 340 colleges and universities use the form annually and long and short versions of paper and online forms are available. More info at <http://www.theideacenter.org/node/5>

SPTE (Student Perceptions of Teaching Effectiveness)

Last updated in 1996, uses a series of 40 well-validated questions in paper form - cannot add questions. Administered by the Wichita State University Social Science Research Lab
Need to hire proctors to implement survey evaluation. Results not compared to other institutions and we discussed who will handle norming and collection of in house data. Inability to add questions convinced us to give this a lower priority. More info at http://webs.wichita.edu/?u=9112SSRL&p=/spte/SPTE_home/

SIR II (Student Instructional Report)

Online and paper versions administered by the Educational Testing Service. Questions can be added and results can be compared to other institutions. We expressed some concern about the cost of implementation.

More info at http://www.ets.org/sir_ii/about/content/.

Meeting adjourned: 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Peter Riemersma, Vice Chair