

**University Outcomes Assessment Council (UOAC)**

**Tuesday, October 11, 1:30 pm.**

**Zuhl Library conference room (#225)**

**Record of meeting**

(approved 11.1.16)

Attendees: G. Martinez, M. Gavin, S. Rich, D. Smith, J. Bosland, R. Goss, J. Hawkes, S. Johnson, L. Grant

1. Selection of new UOAC Chair
  - a. S. Rich and M. Gavin approved as co-chairs of UOAC
2. NSSE Survey (Judy) - Handouts distributed
  - a. Survey administered since 2001, time has come to re-administer (Spring 2017) All seniors and all freshman receive the NSSE.
  - b. Purpose of the NSSE is to measure how engaged students are.
  - c. \$8000 to administer the survey
  - d. Reviewed website on oia.nmsu.edu - Analysis of 2000 and 2004 link
  - e. Will need to select which modules to be administered – Academic Advising module may be relevant for retention purposes –
    - i. Committee decision to focus on First-Year Experiences and Senior Transitions and Academic Advising – NSSE Topical Modules
    - ii. Decision to personalize for additional cost
    - iii. Decision to re-word the one open ended question in the survey – to specify NMSU
  - f. Suggestions needed for peer group to include in comparison

- i. Possibly land-grant institutions or western land-grant institutions
  - ii. Possibly institutions with similar admissions requirements
  - iii. Possibly minority-serving institutions
  - iv. IPEDS may be a good source for finding peers
  - v. Need incentives for participants (will advertise in Student Hotline, Twitter, Facebook, The Round Up)
- 3. Ruidoso retreat report (David, Ryan, Gabrielle)
  - a. Reviewed action plan – based on growth mindset
    - i. Number one priority – Transparency, better communication, when we're doing it, why we're doing it
    - ii. Incorporating learning outcomes with courses online
    - iii. G. Martinez to share framework and action plan with committee
    - iv. Send names of committee members to D. Smith within a week. D. Smith to committee chairs and to all on UOAC members requesting volunteers for Excellence in Assessment Designation Application writing-team. UOAC Co-chairs to send out email about interest of UOAC committee members to participate in a group that will be formed for writing of the application. Possibly have someone take on each rubric category.
- 4. Newsletter - forces the process of summarizing what the committees
  - a. Request that Provost devote Provost Corner to assessment
- 5. Assessment webpage
  - i. D. Smith will send link to revamped webpages to committee members
- 6. Excellence in Assessment Designation Application
  - a. NILOA driven and lasts 5 years – Transparency Framework

## Upcoming meetings

October 11

November 1

December 6

January 3

February 7

March 7

April 4

May 2