



## University Assessment Committee Minutes

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**Date:** February 26, 2015

**Time:** 10:30 - 11:30 AM

**Location:** West Hall Room 118

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**Members present:** Dr. Michael Black (Chair), Dr. Sudip Chakraborty, Dr. Ray Elson, Mr. Michael Holt, Dr. Hanae Kanno, Dr. Lynn Minor, Mr. Shawn Phippen, and Dr. Deborah Robson

**Members absent:** Dr. Byron Brown, Mrs. Melinda Cutchens, Dr. Christy Coons-Yates, Dr. James Holland, Mr. Marc Kaiser, Dr. Jane Kinney, and Dr. Jerry Merwin

**Guests present:** Ms. Sage Archer, Dr. Deb Briehl, Dr. Gina Doepker, Dr. Larry Hilgert, Ms. Sarah Hough, Dr. Tod Leavitt, Dr. David Monetti, Dr. Linda Most, Dr. Ivan Nikolov, Ms. Monica Page, Dr. Leon Pate, Dr. Lorraine Schmertzing, Mr. Michael T. Schmidt, Mr. Terence Sullivan, Ms. Robin Vickery, Dr. Kate Warner and Ms. Pat Rozier

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Dr. Michael Black (Chair) called the University Assessment Committee (UAC) meeting to order at 10:31am.

**Approval of January 29, 2015 minutes** – The January 29, 2015 minutes were distributed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes which were approved.

### **Special Order of the Day**

Dr. Black welcomed guests and UAC members to the day for *Assessment All Stars*. The members of the University Assessment Committee and staff in the Office of Institutional Effectiveness reviewed over 330 institutional effectiveness reports and plans during the most recent cycle. We recognized the following departments and programs for their commitment toward conducting meaningful assessment to improve student learning, operations, and services:

#### **Accomplished Institutional Effectiveness Report:**

Master of Social Work  
M.Ed. Instructional Technology (*Technology Applications option*)  
B.S.Ed. and M.Ed. Early Childhood Education  
Office of Institutional Research

#### **New Unit Award:**

LCOBA Business Career Strategies Center  
Webservices and Social Media  
IDEA Center  
Sullivan Literacy Center

#### **Most Improved Institutional Effectiveness Report:**

M.L.I.S. Library Science  
Student Success Center  
Testing Office  
Center for International Programs  
Student Life  
B.S. Geosciences

**Assessment All Star:**

- Ed.S. Instructional Technology
- B.A. English
- M.A. Marriage and Family Therapy
- B.A. and B.S. Psychology
- B.A. and B.F.A. Art
- Odum Library
- B.B.A. Accounting

**Most Improved Departments:**

- Political Science
- Physics, Astronomy and Geosciences
- Music
- Event Services

**Institutional Effectiveness Department of the Year:**

- Middle, Secondary, Reading and Deaf Education

UAC members thanked the award recipients for attending. The award recognition will be submitted to the President’s Newsletter and posted on the UAC website. Pictures from the meeting are posted at <http://www.valdosta.edu/administration/university-assessment-committee/assessment-all-stars.php>

**Spring projects for Institutional Effectiveness and UAC:**

Develop schedule and begin work for SACSCOC 5<sup>th</sup> Year Interim Report which is due March 2016. We will establish a committee this spring to serve for one year to help with the development of this important document.

**Suggested topics for Spring meetings:**

Provost Rogers has been invited to attend our March 24 meeting to talk about assessment. Invited speakers or workshops to share best practices about capstone projects. Michael Holt from Odum Library offered to present a workshop to UAC members on Library Assessment. Continued discussions about expanding representation/membership on the UAC.

**Meeting Schedule for Spring 2015**

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| March 24 | 2:00pm  | West Hall 118 |
| April 23 | 10:30am | West Hall 118 |

*The chair will be out of town at a USG meeting this day so he will telephone for our final meeting.*

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:30am.