

University Academic Assessment Committee

Minutes, 2/28/11

Present: Mark Law, Sanford Berg, Tim Brophy, Margaret Field, Anne Kendall, Bernard Mair, Barbara Pace, David Pharies, Theresa Vernetson, Maria Zeglen

Minutes from January

A motion was made by Margaret Field and seconded by Barbara Pace to approve the minutes from the January meeting. The motion carried.

ALC Text on Registrar's webpage

Mark had emailed the text about ALCs that is currently on the Registrar webpage. Included in the text is a reference to professional behaviors. The requirements from the Board of Governors and guidance from the State University System regarding ALCS only specify that content knowledge in the discipline and communication and critical-thinking skills be assessed. A discussion about clarifying the language was held and Theresa Vernetson and David Pharies were charged with doing a final revision based on the discussion.

Spanish and Portuguese ALC

Proposed revisions to the Spanish and Portuguese ALCs were discussed and led to a discussion on the relationship between graduation requirements and satisfactory completion of ISAs to assess achievement of SLOs. The committee affirmed that the two are not necessarily tied together but that results of student performance on ISAs should lead to program improvement.

A motion was made by David Pharies and seconded by Margaret Field to approve the revision of the Spanish and Portuguese ALCs. The motion carried.

Next meeting: Monday, March 28 at 10 am