

NEASC - Seventh Meeting of Steering Committee

May 9, 2011

Mazzaferro Center

Minutes of the Meeting:

Attendees: *Cathy Canney, Diane Lucas, Shirley Wagner, Paul Weizer, Sherry Horeanopoulos, Ann Howard, Bill Flynn, Jane Fiske, Charles Sides, Judith Budz, Matt Costello, Michael Shanley, Christine Dee, John Chetro-Szivos, Linda McKay, Terry Carroll*

Excused: Eric Gregoire, Michael Fiorentino, Mel Govindan, Sheila Sykes, Patrice Gray, Rob Pontbriand

The meeting was called to order at 3:30pm

- 1) Review Standards 7, 8 & 9
- 2) Shirley handed out the survey questions for comment (Assessment Day)

Agenda item 1 – Review of Standards 7, 8 and 9

Diane handed out a list of comments the subcommittee had for the report. Some of the comments/questions are included below.

Standard 7:

Cite documents with a password protected access.
Review updated standards and address the new concerns
2002 comparisons go too far back
Peer comparisons?
Emphasis on online service use increases
“Distributed Learning” is old term – update and be consistent
Remove hiring reference from the projection in Standard 7 - state issue
Reference CTL training sessions and program
Help Desk hours and automated help desk
Difficult to follow in current format
Student workers?
Data First forms standardize at references to no earlier than 2005

Standard 8:

Question about the statement “After a lack of focus” – to cite the state funding or lack of it by the state
Deferred maintenance and capital monies - how much was in reserve and was it prudent to do work? Should state be funding buildings if the buildings are state-owned? As state funding declined, “helping ourselves” is more prudent.
Parking emphasis? (not a standard)
Prioritize the projects that get done (what is the driver?)
Renovations have provided purposeful and inadvertent spaces for students – helpful and positive
Articulate training needs for new system controllers?
Does Smart Classroom reference belong in IT standards?
Who is doing sustainability improvements? Data on energy usage/statistics?

Standard 9

Need definition/description of some terms (such as “assets”, “obligations”, etc.)
Understand the actual priority and how the money is allowed to be used
Would the average person reading the report understand the asset management process? – Technical explanation should be written to be understood for general consumption.
Suggest charts go back to 2005 only
Mention Financial Aid cutbacks? Fees up/Financial Aid down?
Do not use FSU in reference
Add “Graduate” to “Division of Continuing Ed”
State mandates for GCE to be self-supporting
Salary/Benefit impact on lost dollars
Actual gifts vs. pledges (Foundation)

Continuing Meeting Schedule:

May 16 - Miller Hall

May 23rd – Assessment Day (Percival)
June 13 – Potential Meeting

Reminder of the Subcommittee Membership

Subcommittees

(Subcom Leaders):

Mission and Purposes – John CS, Bill F, Eric G

(Bill)

Academic Programs – Mike Fiorentino, Jane F, Patrice G, Rob P

(Patrice)

Students – Matt C, Mel G,

(Mel)

Library, Information Services – Sheila S, Sherry H, Diane L, Ann H

(Sheila)

Public Disclosure and Integrity – Mike S, Terry C, Linda

(Mike)

Super-Subcommittee - Cathy C, Christine D, Charles S, Shirley W, Paul W

(Paul/Shirley)

Next Meeting: Monday, May 16th, Miller Hall

Respectfully submitted,
Sherry Horeanopoulos