

Library Assessment Committee

Notes: January 5, 2010

Committee Members Present:

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→meetings will be held Tuesdays, twice a month at 9am CL 1009

- HLC (Higher Learning Commission) will visit this November
 - Time to prepare an evaluative survey
 - At the charge meeting, Connie Shriner announced that they need to receive data.
 - The Criterion is student learning and effective teaching
- The Charge...
 - Students and faculty- how are we doing?
 - How and if needs are being met by the library?
 - Data needs to be collected by Spring 2010
- HLC is looking more closely at Committees campus wide.
- Surveys of students and faculty need to be completed in the University Libraries.
- It is crucial to assess both Carlson and Mulford.
- Information Literacy effecting learning outcomes is crucial.
 - Are students' research skills being strengthened because of the info lit dept?
 - Are professors finding students writing and work more effective?
- Marlene sent out the Strategic Plan to all Librarians to all library faculty and staff.
 - How are we contributing to it?
 - This must be understood
 - Dean Gaboury is bringing forth another strategic plan meeting
 - Connie Shriner's information on the library assessment will be sent to the committee.
- Data Farm
 - Submit info to the agency to assess and pull information on assessment together
 - Data of all types will be put into statistical format
 - Cornell's reports are quite impressive and should be referred to.
 - The administration or accreditation team would be able to easily retrieve info (ref or circ or database statistics) on the university libraries.
- Survey
 - Usage of library by students and faculty
 1. Of resources (print and electronic)
 2. Outcome based learning (undergrad, grad, and faculty)
 3. What the library has and does not have
 4. Survey by march or april
 5. Are the resources really being used?
 6. The survey needs to be effective, short, and in many formats
 7. Is the library supporting the faculty and students appropriately

For the January 19th Meeting:

- Look at survey and sample surveys
- Should the tv's send a message about the survey?
- Does the survey have to go through the IRB?
- A pilot survey must be tested first.