Minutes: Assurance of Learning Task Force

Present: Ken Graham, Peter Haried, Mark Huesmann, Ana Iglesias, Laurie Miller, Laura Milner,

Ken Rhee, Diana Tempski, Steve Thornburg.

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Date: Monday, November 21, 2016, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., CWH 124

 Discussion to amend minutes of the October 24 meeting to change the "Next Meeting" date from November 14th to November 21st.
 M/S/P (7,0,0) to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2016 meeting as amended.

2) Thornburg reported having met with Beta Alpha Psi to discuss AOL. Students were receptive and were specifically interested in the rubrics.

Miller reported having met with Delta Sigma Pi. Students were asked about the MGT 449 assessment and suggested that the end of the semester is not ideal for giving the assessment and suggested giving it prior to Thanksgiving in the fall and prior to Easter in the spring. Students also recommended being more transparent about the assessment assignment by letting them know what the assignment is for. Another recommendation from this group was to include students in the scoring process of the assessed tasks. Finally, outside of the assessment discussion, students noted they would like to have more client-based projects with clients outside of the La Crosse area to help broaden students' exposure. It was also noted that students would like to see more employers from the Milwaukee area at job fairs.

Graham reported that he is scheduled to meet with AMA on November 30th.

- 3) Haried reported that all CITM reports have been received with the exception of Management, who reports that they are working on it and will have it submitted in the near future. Haried will assign each AOLTF member two CITM reports outside of their departments to review and provide comments on. Comments are to be saved to the Dropbox Folder. Haried will make those assignments today and members should have their comments completed by the next AOLTF meeting.
- 4) Miller will randomly select and assign sample of MGT 449 assessments for AOLTF members to score to pilot the Aqua software. Plan is to have multiple reviewers for a single piece of work.
- 5) Iglesias reports Management is moving away from previous assessment task of assigning a lengthy case study, which in the past required providing the students the case in advance, in favor of shorter mini-cases that students are given in class. Iglesias reports that for the Fall 2016 semester, the assessment will be given during the final exam period in MGT 449. However,

there was discussion within the Management Department about giving the assessment during the class period in future semesters. Some concerns were discussed regarding the length of TTH classes (85 minutes) vs MWF classes (55 minutes) and the varied times allowed to complete the assessment. It was suggested that during the final exam period assessment this semester, faculty should time how long it takes to complete the assessments and make a determination as to the best course of action for future semesters (e.g. if students complete the assessment within 55 minutes).

Iglesias provided to the AOLTF samples of the 2 mini-cases that will be used this semester to assess Critical Thinking and Global Context. All in the AOLTF liked the assessments and the their brevity. Comments were made that the "Monster Tree Service" mini-case was considerably longer and more complex than the "Super Sized Cycles" mini-case and may require more time.

Next meeting: Monday, December 5, 2016, 11am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:57 a.m.
Respectfully submitted by Ken Graham