Minutes: Assurance of Learning Task Force

Present: Laura Milner, Peter Haried, Mark Huesmann, Ana Iglesias, Laurie Miller, Sheida Teimouri, Diana Tempski, Steve Thornburg, Ken Graham.

Date: Monday, September 26, 2016, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., CWH 124

1) M/S/P (8,0,0) to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2016 meeting.

2) CBA student organization meetings to discuss AOL activities

   Delta Sigma Pi has already reached out to Laurie to meet with them concerning Assuranc of Learning. Steve is scheduled to talk with Beta Alpha Psi (BAP). Mark will take the initiative to reach out to the Student Advisory Council (SAC). Diana will reach out to Financial Management Association (FMA) and Peter to Information Systems Association (ISA). Likewise, Ken will contact the American Marketing Association (AMA).

3) Assessment in MGT 449

   This fall semester (Fall 2016) the CBA will be assessing oral communication, critical thinking, and global context of business in MGT 449. Ana, on behalf of the MGT 449 instructors, suggested that the AOLFT select a case to use for the assessment as well as create the prompt the students would write to. Because the assessment that occurs in MGT 449 is program assessment and not an assessment of MGT 449, Ana feels that the Task Force should have more involvement in creating the assessment instrument.

   The general consensus of the Task Force is that as a group we don’t feel comfortable selecting a case for the purpose of assessment in MGT 449. Because we lack familiarity with the class we do not feel that we are in a position to select a case. Instead it was suggested that the MGT 449 instructors select two to three cases for the Task Force to review and to provide input on. The Task Force supports this recommendation.

   Ana also expressed a concern about giving the students the case prior to the final exam period because they have the opportunity to work on it together. It was recommended that shorter relevant articles be substituted for the longer cases with students being given the article at the time of the final exam. Because the article is shorter students would have enough time to read the article and respond to the prompt. The Task Force supports this recommendation.
For this fall semester the instructors of MGT 449 will provide the AOLTF with two to three articles to review. The chosen article will be given to students at the final exam period. The Task Force will also review the prompt students will write to. In addition, all MGT 449 instructors are giving a weight of 5% to this assessment task in their syllabi.

Next meeting: Monday, October 10th.

Meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheida