

Accreditation Committee

Minutes, September 13, 2102

Attendees: Peter Allan, Robert Sewell, Mark Clair, Ray Navarro, Michelle Laveaux, Marc Skuster, Tim Johnston, Debbie Peterson, Debbie Chesser, David Gibbs, Jessica Gibbs, Sandy Visser

1. The Board of Trustees Update to the Follow-Up Report # 2 was presented to the group. Peter Allan described each recommendation, and group discussed several topics which are part of the recommendations. Mostly the conversation revolved around things that can be done to improve campus climate (Recommendation 4)
2. The group was provided with a copy of "Sustainable Continuous Quality Improvement" which includes 4 bullet points regarding VVC's ability to continue as a fully accredited institution. Each member of the committee was asked to think about the 4 points and to come to the next meeting with some suggestions.
3. The group discussed the mid-term report which will be due early in 2014. It was suggested that the subcommittees for each Standard provide a report to the committee at the next meeting.
4. There was a lot of discussion about the importance of effective communication. While e-mail has been very useful for communications, the group felt that there should be more face-to-face meetings for faculty and staff to ask questions and discuss issues. There are some classified/adjuncts who are not on the adjunct list, they are not getting any important communications about the recommendations and what they need to do to meet them.