Assessment Website

An update was given on the new assessment items on the MCC website. These items can be found under “Faculty”, “Lift Institute”, and “Assessment”. Kathy suggested keeping the material general so that it does not need constant updating. The committee felt this was a good idea.

HLC Conference Highlights

Handouts were shared on some of the main topics and other information from the recent HLC conference in Chicago. Pam passed out a chart that showed where the General Education core is connected to other MCC courses.

May Days Assessment Workshop

The group examined handouts from the recent workshop on assessment. Discussion focused on the difference between an ‘outcome’ and an ‘objective’. The group felt that a list of common definitions to use regarding assessment would be helpful.

Update on IAC Gen. Ed. Subcommittee

Handouts were examined that examined courses used for the MACRAO agreement, popular 100 level courses at MCC, and these courses by department. Sherri mentioned that PSYC 201 is offered more than PSYC 102 and would be a better course to use. There was some discussion on asking faculty members to provide feedback on which courses to use. However, the group consensus was to not go to the faculty members until we had a definite plan and a better idea of what was needed. Sherri suggested maybe focusing on the 30 most popular MCC courses. Next, the group examined the draft of a chart that was being developed showing possible new Gen. Ed. competencies and outcomes. Andy was opposed to this chart in its current form and suggested we use some of the material from Grand Valley. The group discussed Grand Valley’s Gen. Ed. competencies and how they may work for MCC.