Minutes Assessment Committee Meeting February 9th
Present:
Erin Hoffman, Dan Bialas, Marcia Truxton, Tracey Lee
Chris VanOosterhout, Sherri Chandler, David Wiggins, Adane Kassa, Renica Minott

-IAC approved revision of the wording of Gen Ed Learning Outcomes
-Members were assigned to read the National Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment for the next meeting (handed out at the meeting)
-A question arose at the last meeting about the meaning of the term ‘programs’ from the HLC monitoring report and the committee, this time was provided with MCC’s program inventory. The committee took this to mean that these were how we should define the term program.
-It was suggested that some of the programs listed had only slight variations and there may be close similarities in the learning outcomes for these like fire science AAS and ASA.
-We also wondered what we were to do with programs that seem to be much larger than other programs such as assoc. in science and arts.
-Dan Bialas said that the business department was on board for assessment of gen ed learning outcomes. They were wondering whether they should select a course to evaluate that would be similar throughout the whole business curriculum or one that was more narrow and part of a sequence of classes students would take for a specific program.
-Sherri offered to work with him to develop a measurement tool that would be common between her Psych class and the similar business class Human Relations (BUS127)
-Dr. Kassa talked about his discussions with Ed and that he’s going to research what other schools use as forms of assessment.
-The English pilot is going well. Some faculty had suggestions to change some of the language of the assessment, but they are going ahead with the basic form.
-In Philosophy Andy said that he and Connor Roddy had developed a rubric similar to English that they started using at the end of the term last semester when evaluating papers. He fears that he may have made it too simple.
-Connor Roddy has introduced this from the beginning of his classes this semester and will test it in his courses.
-Erin has gotten approval from her area for the rubric she developed for ART101 and will test it out in classes this semester.