

**Student Affairs Assessment Council
Minutes
September 14, 2011**

Attendance: Rebecca Sanderson, Maureen Cochran, Rick DeBellis, Luke Schalewski, Eric Hansen, Doug Severs, Michele Ribeiro, Kent Sumner and Jo Alexander

Assessment Reviews for 2011-12

- Brief informal discussion of when people plan to submit their reports and plans for review.

Where do we go from here?

- Would like to see a “big picture” view of how assessment is being used across campus.
 - Interested individuals are welcome to attend the [Faculty Assessment Academy on October 5, 2011](#). This may provide an opportunity to get a better grasp on how others view and use assessment in academics.
- The committee is interested in special presentations (ideas below, if you have any other ideas, please send them to [Maureen](#)):
 - Sharing other programs in which people are involved
 - How are others using the Cultural Knowledge & Effectiveness rubric?
 - What impacts have our diversity efforts made?
 - Change theory-how to embed assessment into daily work so it's not always a scramble to do assessment when the reports are due. How to make it a more meaningful part of our processes.
 - Embedding structural supports into departments in order to nurture the assessment efforts
 - Discuss the ways in which others disperse their findings to their departments and participants.
- More open communication about how data is used across campus and what decisions are made as a result. Opening up this conversation will help researchers and participants to understand how their work is used in decision making.
- Build more support for those who are doing assessment in their units.
- Ensure that we're moving in the same direction as the strategic plan.
- The Council is interested in the book club idea. If you have suggestions or ideas for book selections, please send them to [Maureen](#).

Further Discussion on Setting Our Agenda will occur in the October 5 meeting.

Next Meetings:

October 5, 2011
MU Council Rm
9-10:30

October 19, 2011
MU Council Rm
9-10:30