Committee members present: Dr. Walter Diaz, Chris Ambrosio, John Westcott, Paul Serignese, Dr. Rodrigo Pinto, Kim Silcox

Minutes/note taker: Kim Silcox

The committee welcomed Rodrigo Pinto and reviewed the AY2015 assessment report that is in the final stages. Thank you to Rodrigo for completing this task.

We will put out a call for new members for the committee. We will also go back to having agendas and minutes for each meeting.

Assessment Day – an Academic Affairs initiative where classes will be cancelled and all students will be expected to complete required surveys. Student Affairs has been given the go ahead to include surveys if we want to participate. Kim and Rodrigo attend the committee meetings and will give updates as to the process.

The committee had a good discussion about the purpose of SA operating plans and assessment plans. Members felt that the operating plans are a management tool used to evaluate the performance of the units by the Dean and Vice President. Learning outcomes assessment is looking at what students have learned from the good work that the units are doing. The Assessment Committee’s work should be focused on learning objectives. Rodrigo will look into whether there are any national benchmarks for Student Affairs student learning outcomes.

The members recommend that the goal of this committee should be to focus on assessment of student learning outcomes related to the Student Affairs Strategic Plan, not on how well each individual unit performs its function. Each unit may continue to assess its work as a reporting tool but the committee should be formulating division-wide assessment. The committee will develop a plan to roll out to the Division.

Next meeting: June 21 at 1pm in Gelsi-Young 220.