



QEP Development Committee

Minutes

West Hall 1002

October 25, 2019 – 1:00pm

www.valdosta.edu/administration/sacs/qep/

Present: Michael Schmidt (chair), Michael Black, Barbie Radcliffe, Lois Bellflowers, Russ Hoff, Lee Grimes, Shá Wilfred, Victoria Russell, Sheila Hall, Lavonna Lovern, Mike Savoie, Emily Rogers, Carla Gervin, Bob Smith, Rob Freidhoff, Zulal Denaux

Absent: Vince Miller, Jamie Landau, Jan Drake

Called to order at 1:00pm followed by member introductions.

I. New Business:

Provost Smith:

- Provided background about the components of a Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP).
- Charge: Determine topic, who is responsible for implementing, how it will be assessed, who is responsible for assessing, what are the costs, develop outcomes and objectives.
- Committee should prepare a recommendation for VSU's new QEP by the end of Spring 2020.
- The QEP should not be overly burdensome, should be a five-year plan, maybe an enhancement of existing initiatives, must emanate from institutional planning.
- The institution has done existing fundraising around experiential learning (e.g., Terry Center for Experiential Learning).
- Committee members should involve the campus community (such as through open forums).
- QEP has the potential to be transformational for the institution.
- QEP Evaluation Rubric (handout distributed) and available at <http://www.sacscoc.org/pdf/Quality%20Enhancement%20Plan%20Framework.pdf>

M. Schmidt:

- Committee will utilize a Microsoft Teams site. Invitations to join the site will be sent. Initial resources have been posted.

Committee members:

- Discussed availability about a report from the Cross Disciplinary Taskforce (posted in Teams).
- Discussed the recent visit by Andrew Potter of UGA to VSU (handout posted in Teams).
- Brainstormed and shared initial topics for a QEP which included: HIPs, experiential learning, mental health and wellness of students, teaching for social justice.

- Encouraged committee to disaggregate data on student success to see where we could focus efforts.
- Mentioned the new USG Mental Health Taskforce.
- Several questions and requests about what exactly high impact practices are and how that differs from experiential learning.

II. Prior to the Next Meeting, Committee members should:

- Download the Teams app and login to Teams.
- Review files and links posted in Teams.
- Complete doodle poll regarding next meeting date.
- Post ideas on the conversation threads in Teams.
- Bring working definitions for next meeting.

III. Next Meeting: TBD

Adjourned at 2:00pm.

Minutes typed by Michael Black, 10/29/2019.