Minutes
Assessment Oversight Committee
March 23, 2009

Present: Carol Sue Butts, Ben Collins, Shane Drefcinski, Marge Karsten, Evelyn Martens, P.B. Ravikumar, Matthew Roberts, Amanda Trewin, Brittany Dupree, Joshua Reed, David Schuler, and Carl Wesley.

1. Approve minutes of 3/9/09
   Trewin moved to approve; Ravikumar seconded. Minutes approved.
2. Announcements
   Provost Butts announced that Chancellor Markee will retire this August. She will be the interim chancellor and that an interim provost will be chosen.
3. Theater—David Schuler
   Schuler described the assessment of the Theater program. The ultimate assessment is the six-times-per-year production of various performances. Placement is also an important part of assessment, and Schuler recounted recent successes in placing theater majors in MFA programs and jobs. He noted that various curricular changes that Theater is making, aided by a CIF grant. He also noted that the assessment plan posted on the web and dating from approximately 2005 is out of date. He will send a new assessment plan, with more accurate matrices, to the Chair of the AOC. The AOC praised Schuler for his assessment report and his success in turning around the Theater program.
4. Pre-College Programs—Carl Wesley
   Wesley distributed the report. He explained the purpose of the Pre-College Program. It helps minority and disadvantaged middle/high school students to see college as an option. The Pre-College Program at UWP is funded entirely by the Department of Public Instruction. Some programs last two weeks during the summer; other programs last one week. Wesley noted that since he became involved with Pre-College Programs in 2003, 19 students have come to UWP and 87 enrolled in college. Last summer, there were 147 participants in UWP’s Pre-College Program. The AOC recommends that Wesley send an electronic copy of the report to the AOC chair, so that it can be posted on the web. It also recognized the challenges Wesley faces in recruiting minority students to come to UWP, and commends him for the program’s growth.
5. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Shane Drefcinski