**Overview of DSA Assessment Team**

Student Life Studies sees the Assessment Team as an advisory committee with SLS as well as a liaison for your department on assessment related topics. Each department has a representative on the Assessment Team.

**Logistics of the Committee**
- Meeting invitations were sent out to all committee members; the meetings are the 2nd Monday of the month from 3:00 - 4:30 pm. If you are not able to attend, please try to send another staff member in your place.
- Agendas are similar each month - reflection questions, department presentations, and discussion topics.
- Minutes from the meetings are sent out after each meeting.

**October: A-Team Reflection:** Share an example of how you have used assessment to make a decision

Some examples provided:

- **MSC:** Assessment from the Freshmen Leadership Conference informed them to change next year FLC date to before Howdy Week
- **Student Life:** As a result of responses received from the assessments of the 2016 New Student Conferences, students and their families were provided more down time during the 2017 New Student Conferences; lunch was free time.
- **University Center and Special Events:** Their survey of student employees informed them that the student employees did not all have a clear understanding of the operational area of which they belonged, and steps are being taken to remedy that lack of understanding

**Department Presentations**

- **Disability Services Presentation:** Paul Harwell presented on DS assessment of Note Taking services offered by Disability Services

**Dr. Pugh, VP for Student Affairs: OVPSA Expectations**

Dr. Pugh spoke about importance of assessment to measure student learning, breadth of the services, as well as impact of the services offered by the departments within the DSA. What does the university gain from services offered; what data points and evidence can support our endeavors and inform our stakeholders – including donors-regarding their return on investment? Also using assessment to prove and improve effectiveness and efficiency and contribute to continuous improvement of our work. Future of work will be evidence-based success in an evidence-valued environment. (see attached hand-out)

**Announcements**

- **Assessment Training Series**
  SLS Assessment Training on November 30th will be a focused session on learning outcomes and methods.
Reminders and Due Dates
- The next meeting will be November 13
  - The reflection question will be: How do you encourage your staff to value assessment?
- Future Assessment Team meetings:
  - November 13
  - December 11
  - January 8
  - February 12
  - March 12
  - April 9
  - May 14,
  - June 11
  - July 9
  - August 13.
- December 20 – deadline for the DSA Annual Reports.
Cascading Policy Deployment Expectation of Work

Hoshin Kanri System Catch Ball Process

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