

University Assessment Committee
Monday, March 12th, 2008

Present: Mary Berg, Dr. Renee DeVries, Dr. Don Eggebrecht, Jane Richardson, Catherine Wigstrom

Absent: Dr. Pat Casello, Tom Braem, Sher Demeter, Edward Rygiel, Dr. Noni Threinen (chair)

DA Student Feedback and focus group

- At the March UAC meeting, there was much discussion about the revised DA. The student representative indicated that students had concerns about time constraints, inter-rater reliability, and a loss of focus on what was being tested due to all the changes. The committee recommended conducting a survey to get feedback from the T7 students. The following questions were recommended for the survey:
 1. Please give up to 3 specific suggestions for how to improve the DA.
 2. What was missing from the DA?
 3. Any solutions for changing the DA?
 4. Did you understand the rating scale? (It turned out that the new DA Coordinator had not sent the student's rating scale to them, only their overall pass/fail percentage.)
- This discussion at the UAC was helpful in that it helped Ms. Berg identify the need to notify Ms. Wigstrom of the procedure of giving the students their DA score sheet. Ms. Berg sent the recommendation for surveying the W08 T-7 students to Dr. Julia Bartlett, Associate Dean of NWCC. Dr. Bartlett declined the recommendation to conduct a survey since NWCC is going to revise the DA and change to an OSCE format.

Submitted by Jenna Gall

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Noni Threinen, D.C., M.S., Chair
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