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## ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND ASSESSMENT MINUTES

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October 6, 2017

**In attendance:** Natalie Brown, Eric Bullis, Sam Byington, Cheryl Cardoza, Melissa Deadmond, Tanya Farnung-Morrison, Anne Flesher (Chair), Meeghan Gray, Mark Maynard, Joylin Namie, Sharif Rumjahan, Karen Wikander

**Absent:** Lori McDonald, Cheryl Scott

**Guests:** Brian Ruf, Laure'L Santos

**Call to order:** 10:45 a.m.

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### Call to Order

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New Chair Anne Flesher called the meeting to order and thanked the committee for their hard work. Faculty Senate Chair Cheryl Cardoza thanked Anne and Brian for their service.

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### Approval of September 1, 2017 minutes

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A motion was made, seconded and the September 1, 2017 minutes were approved unanimously.

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### Baseline Indicator for Strategic Master Plan (SMP) – Melissa Deadmond

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Melissa Deadmond presented strategic master plan objective: "Maintain and improve the quality of the course, general education and program offerings through systematic assessment and review." The baseline was set by last spring's results. The target is based on the baseline. This information will be shared with the Curriculum Review Committee. The main ideas garnered from questions to Melissa and group discussion were standards should be at 70-75%, the course should perform at or above baseline and consideration should be taken for sample size, margin of error when calculating baseline. Melissa will need the targets by the end of November in order to share with Planning Council.

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### WICHE Passport – Melissa Deadmond

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Melissa Deadmond discussed the WICHE Passport previously discussed last spring, recently discussed at the Academics Affairs Council at the Board of Regents meeting in Elko and will be discussed again at the next Academic Affairs Council at the end of November. The Council will want to know which institutions are interested and the timeline for involvement. Features of the passport are: transfers are done by a block transfer concept versus course by course, outcomes based, focused on lower division general education, faculty autonomy concerning curriculum, pedagogy, and assessment. Other features of the passport are quality assurance strategies and tracking outcomes. Anne will send out packet to see how the blocks are mapped out.

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### General Education Rubric Discussion

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Anne asked for members to look at their perspective areas of expertise and bring any changes to General Education Rubrics next meeting. Anne proposed another student learning outcome for the Critical Thinking competency that would be useful for mathematics assessment in critical thinking, and the committee suggested she also write the criteria to for next meeting to be discussed.

## GEAR Elements Discussion in Preparation for eLumen

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Tabled until next meeting.

## eLumen Update – Melissa Deadmond

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Melissa Deadmond mentioned that forums will be held for the faculty to see the data and give feedback.

**Old Business:** none

**New Business:** none

**Meeting Adjourned:** 12:06 p.m.