**Accreditation Steering Committee Meeting Notes**

Monday, October 10, 2016, 3:30 – 4:30 pm, Room M226

The college is starting year one of a new seven year cycle.

Reviewed recommendations\* & progress report (also noted that we received commendations too). We have already begun addressing recommendations 1, 2, & 3.

The main role of this committee will be to address recommendations 4 (not much time) & 5 (primary focus) for the Year-One Report. This includes how we describe core themes, objectives related to core themes, and core theme indicators to inform institutional planning and determine mission fulfillment.

We need to think about the process/issue of how to do our work in a timely, efficient, effective way while engaging the institution as a whole. Suggestions are needed. Begin the work where mission, strategic priorities and core themes live and integrate.

At the next meeting, Bill & Sue will give an overview of planning integration as well as a foundation of terms and concepts: direct/indirect measures; standards we will be reporting on; how we get from complex core theme descriptions to indicators; how to set meaningful strategic priorities allowing for institutional decisions; difference between short term indicator and long term core themes (more far-reaching than strategic priorities).

David will send a link to the Accreditation Standards to the group.

Bill will make sure the previous Year One Report is available to the group.

*\*see recommendation summary distributed at meeting*