1. Learning Outcomes Assessment Task Group Report

Ruth Keele and Shawn Smallman led a discussion on the summary report that was sent to the Provost's Council earlier on recommendations for a systemwide approach to student learning assessment, the use and reporting of that assessment for instructional improvement and accountability, and the support needed for effective implementation. They indicated that the full proposal will include more detailed documentation. There was discussion on the proposed assessment website and its intended audience and purpose, as well as the potential value of pursuing a common software for the collection, analysis, and reporting of assessment information. Members of the Council agreed that greater faculty feedback and involvement was important. LOA will pursue the suggestion of the IFS representative to bring this to the May IFS meeting. The final report will be brought to this Council in the fall (probably in October) and to the Board’s Academic Strategies Committee by the end of the year.

2. Five-year Follow-up Review Programs

Susan Weeks led a discussion on the current five-year follow-up review programs, including what needs to be accomplished on the back-log of programs to be reviewed (academic years 1998-99 to 2003-04). Due to time constraints, it was decided to have the provosts report on the current programs (2004-05) at the May P.C. meeting. Susan also noted that a new Summary section had been added to the guidelines of the five-year follow-up review document, indicating that it will also help when the Provosts’ Council presents its annual report to the Academic Strategies Committee. All questions pertaining to the follow-up review process and/or programs should be directed to Helen Stampe.
3. Semester Conversion Update

Larry Galizio reported that he and others are continuing to work with community colleges, faculty, staff, and students to gather research and prepare a report for the Senate Education Committee as part of the requirements of SB 442 (2009 legislative session). The report is due on October 1, 2010. He indicated that on the OUS website (http://www.ous.edu/state_board/jointb/sem/index.php) there are documents showing semester conversion history, pros and cons, important factors to consider in changing the academic calendar, and many other background items. Larry also said that there is a short survey that people can take to comments on the pros and cons of quarters versus systems. Respondents will remain anonymous and only identified as members of the category they select in the survey. The results will be included in the final report, but only as a supplement indicating some of the early feedback received. It was noted that the survey closes on June 15th and can be found at http://www.ous.edu/qapp/sb442surveys/.

4. New Program Proposals

- **EOU – B.A./B.S. in Public Administration**
  Action: The Provosts’ Council approved the Public Administration bachelor’s program to move forward to the Board’s Academic Strategies Committee for its approval at the May 2010 meeting. Material for ASC docket and notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will need to be submitted.

- **EOU – Undergraduate Certificate in Public Service**
  Action: The Provosts’ Council approved the Public Service undergraduate certificate program for implementation. Notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will need to be submitted. No Board’s Academic Strategies Committee action required.

- **SOU – B.A./B.S. in Outdoor Adventure Leadership**
  Action: The Provosts’ Council approved the Outdoor Adventure Leadership bachelor’s program to move forward to the Board’s Academic Strategies Committee for its approval at the May 2010 meeting. Material for ASC docket and notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will need to be submitted.

- **SOU – New Location: M.B.A. at Guanajuato, Mexico**
  Action: The Provosts’ Council approved the Master of Business Administration program to be taught at the Universidad de Guanajuato in Guanajuato, Mexico, effective immediately. Notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will need to be submitted. No Board’s Academic Strategies Committee action required.

- **SOU – New Location: M.B.A. and M.i.M. at Hanoi, Vietnam**
  Action: The Provosts’ Council asked that both the Master of Business Administration and the Master in Management new location programs to be taught at the Hanoi National University of Education in Hanoi, Vietnam be held for further review. Critical issues for SOU to address include: (1) the potential impacts on teaching and learning of translated oral and written material; (2) mechanisms to assure quality and the integrity of the SOU and OUS brand, particularly regarding faculty/adjuncts offering instruction; and (3) clarification of the funding and business model for these programs.
5. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the OUS Provosts’ Council will be held on May 13, 2010 at the Portland Chancellor’s Office (Board room) at Portland State University. On the following day, May 14th, the State Board will meet to discuss budget priorities (Board room; 1:00-5:00 p.m.).