



Office of Assessment  
Putting the Pieces Together

**COMMITTEE FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT LEARNING –  
BACCALAUREATE EXPERIENCE**

Record of Meeting  
November 19, 2014  
Zuhl Library – Associates Room  
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Attendees: P. Wojahn, B. Stringam, H. Cole, M. Dawood, S. Stovall  
Guest Presenter: Todd Halvorsen - New York Times

P. Wojahn chaired the meeting in M. Mahaffy's absence. Minutes from October meeting were approved.

Todd Halvorsen gave a presentation on student access to, and instructional use of the NY Times to support course instruction. He indicated how students get access, and provided a survey of some of the tools available to faculty who incorporate use of the NY Times in their courses. He provided a series of links, access points, and supporting materials. This was an informative and stimulating presentation. The NY Times has several instructional resources, and includes an assessment instrument that could be used in NMSU's assessment of the BE.

The following items were quickly addressed following Todd Halvorsen's presentation:

- S. Stovall confirmed that NMSU's First Annual Conference on Assessment would be Friday, March 13, 2015. The CASL-BE will be responsible for presenting a 45-minute session about the work of the committee, time TBD.
- S. Stovall reminded the committee that proposals for the NMHEAR Conference are due Nov. 21. She indicated the Office of Assessment would sponsor travel and registration for CASL-BE committee members to present, and encouraged committee members to submit a proposal.
- S. Stovall indicated she had not received a response from Institutional Compliance regarding the need for all committee members to be included on the IRB application in order to be able to publish. Through short discussion, the committee reasoned that as long as committee members did not have direct contact with the data, or any identifying information, they should be able to be involved in discussions, and could present or publish with those on the IRB. P. Wojahn indicated she would like to be on the survey because the writing questions on the survey were in her area of scholarship. There were no objections. S. Stovall will continue to pursue the position of the Office of Compliance on the situation.

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Next meeting will be December 10 at 11 a.m. in the Zuhl Library Conference Room (?)

