Northwest Iowa Community College PEAQ Self-Study

Program to Evaluate and Advance Quality

Higher Learning Commission – Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges & Schools Leadership Team Meeting – April 16, 2013

Present: Gretchen Bartelson Molly Galm Rhonda Pennings

Mark BrownStephen GibbonsLori RichardsSandy BrunsJohn HartogJan SnyderFrank DeMiliaKathi KnoblochMark Trego

Sheila Drenkow Kristin Kollbaum Sheila Van Engen

Beth Frankenstein Mariah Oliver

Absent: Sarah Breems-Diekevers Mike Oldenkamp Alethea Stubbe

Nancy Filkens Beth Sibenaller-Woodall Steve Waldstein

Sue Grapevine

1. <u>Insights from HLC Annual Meeting</u>

Many members of the Leadership Team attended the HLC Annual Meeting April 7-9 in Chicago. Those at the meeting shared what they learned and enjoyed the most at the Annual Meeting.

2. Team updates

Criterion I – The group has assigned questions to everyone and they are gathering information for their specific areas.

Criterion II – The group is working on writing their sections.

Criterion III – Drafts have been written for each point and the team leaders are reviewing those.

Criterion IV – The sub-groups are working to write drafts.

Criterion V – The group has brainstormed their information into four sections.

3. Important aspects of research and writing

Gretchen made the following suggestions for when you start to write:

- Write descriptively and evaluate your information
- Only write about your areas
- Think about where the data fits the best

The electronic resource room will be set up soon for all the supporting documents.

4. Communication

People are not using the HLC blog like we wished. Jan and the Marketing staff will put together a newsletter before Spring Commencement. Supervisors should talk to their areas about reading the blog and the newsletter.

5. Next meeting

Thursday, June 13 at 12:30 p.m. in room A122