The Office of Planning and Assessment reports its weekly activities and contributions toward Texas Tech University’s institutional effectiveness efforts and departmental objectives.

This week’s report is going to be a “walkthrough” of the Departmental Consultations that will begin next week with departments with new Chairs.

Each meeting will be a departmental review with specific information to each department. In addition to the PowerPoint presentation, a set of department specific handouts will be provided. Throughout the presentation, chairs and others involved with be directed to handouts to discuss specific issues.

After an introduction to the purpose of the meeting is presented to the attendees, the presenters will identify individuals within OPA and who can be contacted to discuss specific issues.
While the Transparency Framework may not be an area of significant interest to individual departments, OPA has included these two slides to express to departmental leadership that OPA is dedicated being an exemplary institutional assessment office and providing the best resources possible to all our stakeholders.

OPA will discuss the updated standards with specific attention given to three components: standards that OPA has identified as ones of special interest, areas of concern that OPA feels deserve unique attention, and the timeline for the Fifth Year Interim Report.
Faculty Credentialing

There is a significant amount of information to cover in these four slides. OPA will begin with House Bill 2504 information and requirements. From there, OPA will review faculty credentialing information that is housed in DigitalMeasures. The Faculty Roster review will help us align our records, the Transcript Report for new chairs will address qualified faculty, and the Security Roles information will make sure that faculty information is being protected. After that, OPA will present a faculty dashboard that includes information on compliance, satisfaction, and the three areas of faculty review: teaching, research, and service. This interactive dashboard will hopefully encourage faculty to explore the data after they return to their department. Finally, OPA will provide the departmental leadership with some information on commonly run reports.

Degree Program Assessment
The focus of this section of the presentation is a direct contribution and closing of the loop on an IE process that TTU has determined as a significant aspect of institutional assessment. After general information about degree program assessment and upcoming deadlines and requirements is presented, OPA will direct attendees to a handout with individual program level PAR reports for each program in the department. The presentation of the results will be an overview with an invitation to set up additional consultation time with OPA.
There are three main areas to present to the attendees, but the amount of time dedicated to the information will vary depending on time. OPA will present limited information from the Core Curriculum Report with some attention given to the work OPA is doing with Marketable skills. TechQuest data will be limited data related to the pretest to freshmen. And finally, OPA will present outreach and engagement data through an interactive dashboard.

**Strategic Planning**

At this time, OPA has limited information on departmental requirements for strategic planning and the role that OPA will have with reporting. However, many individuals ask OPA about this issue. OPA will limit our coverage of this topic to publicly available information.

**Miscellaneous**

OPA will conclude the Departmental Consultation with a few miscellaneous topics.