**Institutional Re-Affirmation with the Higher Learning Commission: 2017**

**ASC Curriculum Committee**

**W. Randy Smith. Vice Provost**

**February 3, 2017**

1. The Higher Learning Commission (North Central Association of Colleges and Schools): <http://www.ncahlc.org>

* Regional accrediting body with almost 1000 institutions – based in Chicago
* President: Barbara Gellman-Danley
* Liaison: Eric Martin

1. Reporting:

* Annual submission of data through Office of Institutional Research and Planning
* Assumed Practices
* Decennial Review (2017) – Columbus, Regional Campuses, ATI
* Assurance Document (35000 words)- 5 criteria (revised 2013)

Mission

Integrity: Ethical and Responsible Conduct

Teaching and Leaning: Quality, Resources and Support

Teaching and Learning: Evaluation and Improvement

Resources, Planning, and Institutional Effectiveness

* Quality Initiative – Undergraduate Advising

1. Process

* Core Team from the Office of Academic Affairs – Autumn 2013
* Institutional Re-affirmation Coordinating Committee (25 members) – Autumn 2014
* Criteria Drafts (2014-15)
* Quality Initiative Submission: August 2016
* Assurance Document Submission: January 2017
* Site Visit – March 20-21, 2017 – 10-member Team
* HLC Board Action: Autumn 2017

1. Going Forward

* Reviews at 4th and 10th year
* OSU active in Big Ten Academic Alliance “Accreditation Network”