Then he explained our mission and the process:

- Required to complete self-study
- Start meeting 2.5 years before the North Central visit
- Consists of 5 Criteria, 20 components, 4 Cross-cut Themes
- Looking at hard data and evaluation
- Judged by self-study, process/organization (how did we generate this material, was whole college involved), Resource Room, and On-Site Visit
- Expected to put our hard documents in Self-study Resource Room
- Embed Mission & Integrity within these 3 position statements (Diversity, Assessment & Student Learning, and General Education)
- Show interrelatedness and organizational schema throughout criterions, components, cross-cut themes, and position statements

Penny reviewed handouts (Preparation for 2009 Re-Accreditation, Brief Timeline, Commission Statements, Four Themes, and Criteria for Accreditation):

- Can look at other colleges to see what they have done
- Need to prepare the section on the mission & integrity
- May need to audit mission statement to include College Express, Alternative Delivery classes, General Education degree, and On-line degrees
- Have web site http://dacc.edu/selfstudy/
- Can meet monthly on Mondays or Wednesday at 2:30 P.M.

Assignment: Read handouts & prepare questions if we have any
Next meeting: will be on Wed. 10/04 2:30 P.M. Laura Lee Room
Following meeting on 10/10 from 2:00 & 4:00 P.M.