Present; D. Julius, S. Henrichs, M. Driscoll, R. Caulfield, J. Dehn, C. Cahill, D. Monteith, M. Myers

Audio; C. Brems

Absent; J. Petraitis

Guests; S. Oba, B. Schultz, J. Nelson, J. Grant, D. Foley

I. Meeting Summary
The May 12, 2011 SAC summary was approved without amendments.

II. New Programs
SAC formally approved the UAF Associate of Applied Science in Paramedicine.

III. Operating Guidelines for the Academic Master Plan (SAC OP)
SAC members reviewed guidelines for interpretation and implementation of the AMP. Language addressing several issues; the expiration and duration of the SAC OP, its relationship to the AMP, and language on joint doctoral degrees, was discussed and tentatively agreed upon subject to review and approval by SAC. Language will be distributed by Provost Henrichs. Following SAC approval the SAC OP documents will be forwarded to President Gamble for final review before approval.

IV. Teacher Preparation Report
SAC discussed the status of the Teacher Preparation Report. It was decided the provosts and deans would continue meeting to work on implementation of the report objectives. Subsequently, at the June 2-3 BOR meeting, Regent Jacobson asked for a comprehensive report on Teacher Preparation to be presented to the Academic and Student Affairs Committee at the September Board meeting. Further, Regent Jacobson asked for provosts and deans to address alternative certification programs and other policies or procedures (transfer of credits, etc.) which may facilitate education majors more expeditiously.

V. Report of the Faculty Alliance
Past Faculty Alliance Chair Dr. Jon Dehn emphasized to SAC and at the June BOR meeting, (1) the importance of faculty involvement in writing the Academic Master Plan, (2) the unity of Faculty Alliance in acting on behalf of faculty as a whole, rather than our own specific MAUs, and (3) the hope of re-establishing a closer relationship between Regents and faculty. John Petraitis also requested that his remarks to the Board of Regents in June appear in the summary.
“As out-going Faculty Alliance Chair, I am struck by my predecessor’s comments because they set the tone for the year we are finishing. One highlight of the year came in October when President Gamble gave faculty the opportunity to repackage the AMP. Faculty rearranged their schedules and gave up personal time to deliver a major re-draft in December and a finished AMP in February.

Echoing the 2010 year-end report, a second highlight of this year was the continued unity of Faculty Alliance. We were able to revise the AMP so thoroughly and quickly because we allowed our campus-specific concerns to take a back seat to serving UA and Alaskans. In fact, of the five goals of the AMP, collaboration among the MAU’s is – in our opinion – the most important. We sincerely believe that partnerships among the MAUs are the key to serving more and more Alaskans in an era where legislative funding might not keep pace with enrollments.

A third highlight of the year was that Faculty Alliance did, as we hoped, re-established closer relationships with BOR. This became clear when out-going BOR Chair Cynthia Henry closed the December BOR meeting by encouraging the Board to “do two things: take care of this place and trust the faculty.” It also became clear when current BOR Chair Fuller Cowell set aside time in BOR agendas for regular reports from faculty, staff, and students. Faculty Alliance wants to thank BOR for trusting us.

Trust in faculty seems to have also grown outside of BOR. The Statewide Academic Council now has three faculty representatives (one from each MAU); President’s Cabinet now meets with SAC regularly, thereby allowing faculty to contribute to conversations that affect UA; and SAC has asked Faculty Alliance to form a taskforce to deal with the pedagogy of electronic/distance labs.

In the coming year, under the leadership of incoming Faculty Alliance Chair Dan Monteith from UAS, Faculty Alliance hopes (a) to partner with others in UA and Alaska on the upcoming strategic plan, (b) to continue putting state-wide needs above campus-specific issues, and (c) maintaining strong relationships with BOR, SAC, and President’s Cabinet.

Faculty Alliance says goodbye to two members: Dr. Genie Babb of UAA is relocating to SUNY Plattsburg, and Dr. Jonathan Anderson of UAS is relocating to Cal State San Bernadino. Joining Alliance for 2011-2012 are Dr. Michael Stekoll from UAS, and Dr. Robert Boeckmann from UAA (scheduled to be Faculty Alliance Chair in 2013-2014).”

VI.  Mission Statement: Prince William Sound Community College
SAC reviewed the document (attached) and recommended it for approval the president and the Board of Regents.

VII.  Report of the Student and Enrollment Services Council
SAC was joined by the Student Services Council:
Bruce Schultz, VC Student Affairs, UAA
Joe Nelson, Dean of Enrollment Management, UAS
Jessie Grant, Dean of Student Services, UAS
Don Foley, Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Life, UAF (sitting in for Mike Sfraga)
Saichi Oba, AVP Student and Enrollment Services, SW

Discussions:

**Alignment of K12 and UA** - perhaps no other topic could have such a profound impact on the educational pipeline in Alaska as enhancing the relationship between UA and the K12 system. The perspective here is to align UA’s expectations of what is required for success in entry level college math and English with the standards secondary staff are teaching to.

This is far easier said than done - for example - does UA have such a standard? Is it uniform across the system? Additional questions include:

- What are the standards secondary schools are teaching to?
- How can UA facilitate a discussion of this topic?
- Who should be involved from UA? Who from the K12 arena?

**Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS)** - Fall 2011 will usher in a new era in post-secondary funding in Alaska with the start of Alaska Performance Scholarship. This program may prove as significant as the original Alaska Student Loan which was established by the legislature in the late 1960's. This fall $6M will be available for eligible Alaska high school graduates to help pay for educational costs at eligible post-secondary institutions in the state. In addition, the legislature approved $3M for the AlaskaAdvantage Education Grant (AEG). This need based grant is also for students studying within the state of Alaska.

The administration of the APS program is a coordinated *dance* between perhaps the largest bureaucracies in the state: EED, ACPE, UA and DOL. All entities play an important role in the APS program. We anticipate - as with any new, large processes there will be some rough spots in the administration of the program this first year. However, many staff from UA, ACPE, EED and DOL have been working on these processes - since even before the ink was dry on the final appropriation this past spring.

One of the outcomes of the meeting between SAC and SSC was the suggestion to conduct a campaign to inform students who might still be ‘sitting on the fence’ with regard to college plans about the need to file a FAFSA, apply for admission (to UA) and to register for courses this summer. Advising for students who register during the summer months was emphasized.

There was a brief discussion that these joint meetings with the SAC and SSC should occur more frequently - perhaps once a term instead of once a year. The need for such collaboration might take on greater urgency given the President’s desire to improve the student experience at UA through improved service and a focus on quality.
VIII. SAC Agenda, July 6, 2011, 9:30am to 12:30pm; AUDIO – 1-800-893-8850, PIN 9740910

1. Approval of June SAC summary
2. New Programs, if any
3. SAC OP Approval (if language is not formally approved via email)
4. Report of the Faculty Alliance
5. Status of Compliance with Higher Education guidelines with distance education offerings in other jurisdictions
6. Status of DE Legislative Audit Recommendations
7. Other issues that may be brought forward

IX. Attachment to the June 1, 2011 SAC Summary

1. Program review summary documents from all MAUs, distributed at the June BOR
2. SAC OP Guidelines – 06/07/11
3. Alaska Performance Scholarships Fact Sheet – May 2011
4. Prince William Sound Community College Mission Statement
5. Accuplacer Memo from S. Oba – 05/18/11