Present; D. Julius, S. Henrichs, M. Driscoll, B White, J. Petraitis, J. Dehn, R. Caulfield
Audio; J. Anderson
Absent; B. Shefchik
Guest; Diane Hirshberg (Institute on Social and Economic Research)

I. Meeting Summary

The October 28 and November 18, 2010 summaries were approved with amendments. Both summaries have been posted to the Academic Affairs website (www.alaska.edu/research/sac/). Note: There is a meeting date change in January. SAC will meet on January 20th from 11am to 2pm (audio meeting) in place of the January 13th meeting.

II. New Programs

An AAS degree in Outdoor Leadership to be offered at Prince William Sound Community College was formally approved. The program will be recommended to the President and Board of Regents.

III. Teacher Preparation (Teacher Education Plan: Deans Report)

The Teacher Education Plan submitted by the Deans of Education was discussed. SAC members agreed that specific recommendations from the President and Regents would be needed prior to the next revision. The report will be distributed in draft to the Regents on December 9, 2010. Regents will be requested to forward their comment to Pat Jacobson by January 7, 2011. SAC will revisit the plan at the meeting scheduled for January 20, 2011.

The Provosts reported at the December BOR on challenges and opportunities associated with issues discussed in the plan (draft attached).

IV. Faculty Alliance

Members of SAC were asked to send comments on the revised AMP to the Faculty Alliance by December 17, 2010. The Alliance will then address those comments and circulate a revised draft to the Faculty Senates and other constituency groups, seeking comments by mid-January. A subsequent revision will then be submitted to the BOR in time for the February BOR meeting.
V. **Distance Education**

SAC revisited the scope of work (attached) for continuation of the implementation of Legislative Audit recommendations. Provost Driscoll provided a brief update on the status of the implementation (attached). A status report will be presented at the February BOR by Provost Driscoll.

VI. **Center for Alaska Education Policy Research, located in the Institute for Social and Economic Research (ISER) at UAA**

A report on plans for the Center for Alaska Education Policy Research (CAEPR) was provided by Diane Hirshberg, a faculty member affiliated with ISER. Dr. Hirshberg discussed the mission and core values and solicited input on the first year work plan from SAC and other draft materials describing the work of the Center, including an organizational map of UA constituencies who will be working with the Center. (A summary of issues discussed is included as an attachment.) SAC expressed enthusiasm about the plans and potential for the new center. CAEPR was initially funded through a $250,000 grant from the UA Foundation. Draft materials distributed by Dr. Hirshberg will continue to be amended.

VII. **Architectural Education**

SAC discussed the upcoming agenda of the Board of Regents meeting. Provost Driscoll provided a brief overview of a preliminary demand analysis for UA Architectural Education. The summary is attached. Subsequently, Provost Driscoll presented this information to the December Board of Regents' meeting.

VIII. **Delivery of Science Course in Alaska**

SAC discussed challenges, opportunities and protocols associated with the delivery of science courses (particularly labs), transfer of credits and related issues, including distance delivery of lab courses.

It was agreed a study would be conducted through the Faculty Alliance. A study scope will be drafted which will guide the study. Background information on this topic is attached.

IX. **SAC Agenda, January 20, 2010, 11am to 2pm, VIDEO CONFERENCE**

1. Approval of December Summary
2. New Programs, if applicable
3. Teacher Education Plan; ongoing discussions
4. Update on SW Academic Affairs
5. Response to Fisher Report
6. Report of Faculty Alliance
7. Other issues brought forward by SAC members

X. Attachments to the SAC Summary for December 8, 2010

1. November 18, 2010 SAC Summary
2. Teacher Education Plan
3. Distance Education Work Flow
4. Scope of Work (revised) on Distance Education
5. Summary of remarks made by Diane Hirshberg
6. Draft materials on Center for Alaska Education Policy Research at UAA
7. New program proposal; Executive Summary for approved AAS Outdoor Leadership to be offered at Prince William Sound Community College
8. UAA Architectural Education Demand Analysis