The following provides a summary of the meeting held in Fairbanks, July 7, 2009.

I. Summary Minutes
   SAC approved the minutes from June 3 with minor changes.

II. New Programs
    There were no new programs for approval.

III. Meeting Dates/Times
     SAC approved a meeting schedule for 2009-2010. The schedule is attached.

IV. Data Classification Standards
    SAC discussed standards for data collection distributed on June 26, 2009. (Material was prepared by Russ O’Hare and is attached to this summary.) Subsequently, SAC members have responded to the request to review and comment upon the classification standards.

V. Distance Education
    SAC revisited the DE Plan approved in June 2009 and discussed an augmented plan document now called “Phase One Actions to Achieve Distance Education Plan,” dated June 6, 2009 (attached). SAC members agreed forthcoming recommendations from the Legislative Audit would be folded into the plan approved June 2009 and that such recommendations would be implemented. SAC members agreed to revisit the July 7 document on August 13 and requested the following from John Monahan, who was in attendance:
    a. Recommendation coming forward from Legislative Audit be integrated into the Phase One Actions document;
    b. A budget (not to exceed $250,000) for implementing recommendations from Legislative Audit;
    c. A timeline to implement Legislative Audit recommendations with a “process” checklist for assessment of progress towards implementation;
    d. A list of “deliverables” for 2009-2010. This list will be reviewed by SAC in September 2009, when it is hoped the final Legislative Audit recommendations will have been distributed.
VI. Current Academic Programs with No Student Demand (Degree Audit Report)

Information was distributed which constituted a summary account of inactive, yet open, FY09 academic programs. Also distributed was an Excel spreadsheet identifying programs without graduates or enrollment. SAC agreed to review and refine this data with the goal of making a presentation at the BOR concerning programs which may be discontinued.

VII. Faculty Alliance Report

Jon Dehn provided a report on behalf of the Faculty Alliance. He discussed the following issues:
- Organizational dynamics within the Alliance;
- Procedures for Alliance responses to material generated by SAC (absent a response SAC may assume the Alliance does not have objections to the material distributed);
- A progress report on appointing another (second) Alliance representative to serve on SAC.

VIII. Program Review Process

SAC revisited the program review and approval process in light of comments/suggestions made at the June BOR. SAC members agreed to refocus and amend the “HEX” form utilized for all new degree and program approvals in light of BOR policies (regarding the program submission process; see R10.04.010 University Regulations, Part X (attached) and comments/suggestions by UA Regents concerning the program approval process. SAC members discussed various information which might be set forth on a revised HEX form. Subsequently, on July 29, 2009, a revised form was distributed for review with background information concerning the revisions. This item will be on the August 13, 2009 SAC agenda.

IX. Teacher Preparation/SB 241

SAC members discussed ongoing initiatives and agreed to revisit these topics (and review a status report on progress being made) at the August 13, 2009 meeting.

X. Academic Master Plan Discussion

A conversation ensued which concerned the most recent version of the AMP. Issues addressed on July 7, 2009 included:
- Dissemination of the plan;
- Changes to the current version with particular emphasis on the criteria and location for doctoral programs;
- Academic issues that may surface in upcoming discussions following distribution of the AMP.
The next version of the AMP will be distributed to SAC prior to August 13. It is anticipated the AMP document will be given far wider distribution in September 2009.

SAC Agenda, August 13, 2009, Anchorage, Administration Building Rm. 201, 9:30am-3:30pm

1. Approval of July summary;
2. Distance Education Plan; Update on Legislative Audit (Information forthcoming);
3. Status Report; SB 241 and Teacher Preparation (Information forthcoming);
4. Agenda for upcoming BOR;
5. Analysis and discussion of revised HEX form (Information distributed);
6. Report of the Faculty Alliance;
7. Prioritization of FY11 Academic Equipment Requests (Michelle Rizk will participate; information has been distributed);
8. Programs without demand or enrollment (Information distributed, Gwen White will participate in this and related agenda topics);
9. Academic Master Plan (Information distributed), afternoon discussion.

Attachments

1. SAC meeting dates 2009-2010
2. O’Hare Data Classification Standards
3. Proposed: Phase One Actions to Achieve Distance Education Plan (6/29/09)
4. Distance Education Core Committee Short Term Action Step Recommendations (Distributed on 6/3/09, information item only)
5. UA Distance Education Plan (approved by SAC 6/3/09)
6. UA Regents’ Policy; Academic Program Review