Statewide Academic Council Summary

9:30 ς 12:30; January 16, 2014

Present: Dana Thomas, Mark Myers, Susan Henrichs, Elisha Baker, Robert Boeckmann, Virgil Fredenberg, Cecil Lardon, Rick Caulfield, Barbara Hegel, Dayna Defeo, Cathy LeCompte, Carol Gering, Fred Villa, Martha Mason, Pete Pinney, Michael Ciri, Matt Cooper, Karl Kowalski, Pat Shea

1. Approval of the summary of the 12.10.13 meeting – *Attachment ς approved*

2. New program proposals or deletions – UAA has a doctorate in nursing practice in development, UAS certified medical assistant program in consultation with UAA and UAF, UAF graduate certificate in adaptation and resilience. No deletions in works.

3. SARA report and recommendation – Carol Gering, Barbara Hegel, Eric Pedersen, Pete Pinney, and Matt Cooper

   Background: consumer protection issue – if UA wanted to operate a branch campus in Washington state, there would be certain requirements, not as clear for distance offerings when there is no physical presence – feds passed a regulation that stirred the pot, it was withdrawn but this caused work on the issue. What constitutes physical presence in a state; does marketing? Each state has different regs, different costs, applications, administration structure, etc. The regional compacts, e.g., WICHE, came up with a plan similar to the driver license use in other states. ACPE has a list of institutions operating in state. ACPE would apply to SARA but then okay UA institutions to take part. SARA will make common definitions of physical presence and rules regarding various levels of operations in another state; this process is voluntary – states get to choose whether they take part or not – for those states that do not take part, AK would still have to know their regulations and follow them. Many states will have to pass legislation to align with SARA; AK well aligned. New AK regulation is needed and is being worked on. If student complaint, an agency outside the UA needed to receive and address complaints. Each MAU would be authorized to take part in SARA; the system cannot be authorized as a whole. If student not satisfied with complaint resolution at MAU then they must be informed that they can file with ACPE. Student grade or conduct issues are not considered by ACPE or the SARA process. Is there anything in UA BOR policy or University Regulation prohibiting ACPE from channeling complaints? Matt Cooper said no but some policy or reg may be needed for clarity of process. Also how we inform distance students about how to file complaints. .87C-5(ces)-78 TJ 343CID 297>MCID (said)e Ph

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policy. Faculty Alliance takes the lead? Have subcommittees at three MAUs move this forward – through cooperation across the MAUs. Address policy first then software selection; some parallel processing possible. Faculty Alliance will ask senates to start this work and collaborate across MAUs. What are the policy questions? CIOs will work with MAUs to create list of policy questions to SAC at next meeting.

5. Tech Prep policy issues –