SADA Minutes  November 10, 2015

Present:
Sandra Wildfeuer - IAC/BBC chair
Eileen - English
Stacey - Academic Advising
Colleen - Rural Student Services
Jennifer - CTC
Cindy - Dev Ed
Ben - KUC
Joe - NWC
Jill - Math
Guests: Dana Greci - DEVE

Notes
Cindy and Dana present to answer questions about the trial courses and new course proposals.
New writing program begins

Trial courses: can be offered three times. Need clarification on this – is it three times only or in any campus? Wording on placement and the process for moving through the Developmental Sequence – Perhaps place this is just one part of the catalog for placement. Take it out of all four classes and then be sure the catalog revision includes a portion for moving through the sequence. Keep the language regarding the C-.
Votes for courses: DEVE 094 and WRTG 080- consensus to approve classes
Votes for courses DEVE 194 and WRTG 090- consensus to approve classes

DEVM Courses Up for Approval:
Sandra explained the new math classes – they are not charged for the first credit if they test out of it. Huge push to put the class on eLearning so that the numbers of attendees aren’t limited. Want to start offering it in the summer. 1-4 credits modularized – they pay for each credit that they earn. Questions arose regarding drop date for classes, do students pay fees? Apparently Kelly has an arrangement with the registrar to do Withdrawals with no penalty. Students have to sign up for all three without knowing how they will do in all three modular. The sign up process is a bit confusing – def need to inform advisors of how the structure of the class works (signing up, withdrawing, money back). How do we know which students are the best fit for this course? Students must be very motivated. Course is instructor approval -- they do need to speak with the instructor first for permission. If this is to become a course, then anyone needs to be able to teach it – if it’s on eLearning then students won’t have that up front advising.
These classes may or may not be done in person - (eLearning) – and it must be on the form if you want to offer the class in any other version. Currently it is only listed as a lab class – not asynchronously -. If it were offered asynchronously, that would be a different design.
Question: do you have to submit a minor course change form to submit any changed courses (ie. Move to eLearning). ie. Changes to course format. Do we have the computer lab capacity or are we going to need to diversify the offerings? (online).

Vote for DEVM 054A-C. Courses approved

DEVM 068 Math Essentials 4 credits – This class integrates math concepts in the context of larger problems rather than as isolated chunks. Prepares students for intermediate algebra in one semester rather than two semesters. A similar class at UAA has existed since 2007 – not in the alignment process currently. Has been taught synchronous by distance – lecture and activities. Cindy asked if 068 fit in the numbering system and Sandra maintains that the numbering accurately reflects the progression and the demands of the class (lots of group work etc). The numbering was agreed upon. The UAA class is DEVM 060 and it will be kept through the alignment. We cannot use that number because that was our Elem Alg numbering. Currently there is no min. test score placement. Sandra would like to see a min score placement added. What changes were made from the Trial course approved last year? It went from 5 credits to 4 credits due to financial aid, student schedules and other constraints in the system. Also the name changed. The content of the course was largely unchanged.

DEVM 068 Math Essentials: Approved

*Minutes from last meeting approved

COMMITTEE DEFINITION TOPIC:
This definition has been going around for the past couple of semesters.
Fac Senate is trying to get all committees aligned so that all committee definitions are approved in one big chunk.
Cindy’s concern: Part F. A Quorum. This section stresses voting, but we have functioned mainly by consensus. We can, as a committee, decide for ourselves how we would like to vote. Cindy would like to see that one option for including that consensus is an option -- voting and consensus are not the same. In the future, would it be clear to members of this committee that decisions by consensus are an option?
Committee Make up: We have some open seats, especially one from Rural Student Services. With Joe leaving Nome, we would no longer have a faculty member there. We have been waiting a long time to re-define our committee as this committee definition approval has been held off.

Change the wording of the definition to “campuses” rather than “units.” There are reasons why Student Support Services (TRIO program) doesn’t come (They are a federal program- it’s a grey area, but we can ask Alex if they can come). At the bottom of the paragraph: strike “either” and “or”. Question for Alex: Can Student Support Services come? Our revision to the definition will include SS. Nobody currently from Chuckchi, Northwest will have an open spot. There is another spot for CLA in addition to Eileen. We also have room for a student rep.
*Def pending approval just based on Sandra checking with Alex about Student Services.