SADA meeting #1

Notes

September 2017

## Present:

Sandra Wildfeuer, Jennifer Tilbury, Cindy Hardy, Kelechukwu Alu, Ben Kuntz, Kacey Miller, William Howard, Leah Berman, Jennifer Schell, Minnie Naylor, Lena Krutikov, Alex Fitts, Holly McDonald

Meeting was convened.

Committee definition reviewed.

Introductions of members to each other.

The committee decided to keep the same chair and co-chair as the previous year.

The committee decided to hold doodle polls to establish more meeting times.

Placement updates

## Math placement

UAA, UAS and UAF are all using ALEKS ppl placement for all math courses through Calculus. Questions about whether exams should be proctored still exist. Some studies have compared results of placement tests with ALEKS tests also given in class during the first week, to see if student results are consistent.

## English placement

The wording and verbage that appears on the screen in Accuplacer after students finish needs to be checked against the placement chart.

The committee discussed how it could support student academic development and achievement at UAF.

The committee discussed using data to inform its decisions.

How are Developmental Education students doing, and are they prepared for the 100 level courses?

Committee Definition: The Student Academic Developmental and Achievement (SADA) Committee considers policies related to student placement, academic advising and student appeals, development, and retention. This committee further functions as a curriculum review committee for all developmental education courses.

SADA includes one faculty representative from each of the following campuses of the College of Rural and Community Development: Bristol Bay, Chukchi, Interior Alaska, Kuskokwim, Northwest, and the Community and Technical College. One or more of these should be from Developmental Education. The committee also includes one representative from the Fairbanks Department of Developmental Education; two representatives from the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics: one from the Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Geology, or Physics), and one from Math; two from the College of Liberal Arts, including one from the English Department; and one each from Rural Student Services, Rural Campus Student Services, and the Academic Advising Center. The committee may also invite a student representative to serve as an ex officio member.