Graduate Academic and Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes for 12/02/2016

Attending: Roman Makarevich, Mike Daku, Daryl Farmer, Sean Topkok, Jayne Harvie, Holly Sherouse (by zoom), Laura Bender, Mike Castellini, Anne Beaudreau (by zoom), Mitch Reed, Sean McGee, Don Hampton, Donie Bret-Harte

- I. **Minutes** from our meeting of 11/11/16 were passed.
- II. Updates from graduate school. Since we last met, the concept of a consolidated School of Education being housed at UAF has been changed, and has gone back to the Board of Regents for reconsideration. The outcome will likely impact the graduate school at UAF. There are no updates on health insurance for graduate students next year, or the fate of the Affordable Care Act. Stay tuned.
- III. Donie noted that members of CAC would like to meet with a subset of GAAC to discuss student learning outcomes, to make sure that both committees are providing similar input to proposers.
 the most common comment in program review is that student learning outcomes for master's and Ph.D. students are not differentiated, and they should be. So, he encourages providing more guidance on student learning outcomes.

This meeting with CAC members occurred on December 7. The joint committee agreed to the following actions:

- a. ide. We would provide examples of how such courses should/could be stacked.
- IV. GAAC reviewed current assignments and passed the following program and course proposals and changes: 2-Trial: NORS F694 - Thesis Writing Workshop

3-GPCh.: Program Change: <u>MFA - Art</u> **20-GPCh.:** Program Change: <u>Special Education K-12 Post-baccalaureate</u> <u>Certificate of Completion</u> 21-GPCh.: Program Change: