University Center Directors
November 3, 2015
10-12 noon
Bachman 203

Present: Ramona Kincaid, Marty Fletcher, Karen Hanada, Joanne Itano
Guests: Clem Ceria and Merle Koury, UHM Nursing; Risa Dickson, VPAA, Sharla Hanaoka, UHWO

Mahalo and Aloha
Best wishes to Mona Kincaid on her retirement with many thanks for her contributions to UCs and Kauai CC.

UC Updates
Kauai has created a director of institutional effectiveness (in place of Ramona’s current position) that will also be the director of the UC. Colleen Kaiminaauao will be the interim UC director. IR, program review, accreditation, marketing and UC will be the responsibility of this person. Academic support functions have been split between VCAA and VCA.

Maui reports work on two agribusiness courses with UHM Center for Disability Studies. These courses were developed as non credit to prepare an aquaponics technician. DOE offers a pathway from K12.

West Hawaii reports that science labs likely to be ready by the second month of spring semester. Culinary labs are functional.

UHM RN to BS
Maui reported concerns from students on the need for stronger advising. With a likely new group, it was suggested that f2f visits would go a long way in establishing positive relationships with UHM Nursing. Merle reports that Tracy is the only undergraduate advisor for 300 students and that calls/emails are being returned within 24 hours. Merle and Clem will request funding for Tracy to visit neighbor islands. Clem reported that Kauai has not responded with the name of a contact with whom they can work with to establish an info session. Ramona will follow up and suggested that UHM nursing copy Colleen Kaiminaauao in future emails. At Kauai, the RN to BS has been handled by the Kauai nursing faculty and it may be helpful to involve the UC. UHM reports that 4th year nursing courses are all offered online except for the clinical components.

UHWO
Sharla reported that a subcommittee of student affairs, academic affairs and IT has been meeting to determine how they can meet course demand in the absence of classroom space. More faculty are teaching online who likely can benefit from some kind of training. An advisor for neighbor island students will be hired. No new DL degrees are being planned as UHWO is working on establishing majors. There is a listing of programs offered online at UHWO website.

Meeting with Risa Dickson, VPAA
UC directors met with new VPAA.