Meeting Summary

Present: Ramona Kincaid (Kaua‘i), Beth Sanders (West Hawai‘i), Karen Muraoka (Maui), Joanne Itano (UH System)

Guest: Harriet Abe (UHM Outreach College)

Harriet reported that OC is undertaking a review of its functions and services with the intent of developing a new strategic plan. This is anticipated to be implemented starting Fall 2012. Thus, there is a hold on the planning of new programs.

Since a new IS distance offering would take awhile to develop, will proceed with discussions. Harriet reported meeting with Jaishree Odin from IS reviewing the requirements for IS in environmental studies and health services. A new IS degree that will be offered by distance would need to be submitted as a substantive change to WASC. This would be the responsibility of the IS department.

Questions raised included are these IS degrees workforce related? A cohort model would be preferable. UHMC has the BAS in sustainable science management which may have courses that would count to the degree. UHMC and UHH are working to offer the UHH marine science degree on Maui which may be another source of courses.

A review of Environmental Studies requirements. See attached spreadsheet with items for follow up.

IS in pre professional and other health science programs of study in human biology reviewed. Harriet to check on number of credits required for this degree.

Next meeting is January 24, 2012, 9-1 p.m. Bachman 105.