Capstone experience requirements will hopefully help to resolve these types of issues related to Communication plan requirements (or "O" and "W" requirements). Assessment of student learning outcomes will hopefully reveal course transfer problems so that those transfer issues can be addressed.

c. Grades Appeal Policy

(https://docs.google.com/a/alaska.edu/document/d/1Lcp43UeeJ8RxzhOjrlMQpwrit4Ydou8mkTgiDQxjKQ8/edit?usp=sharing)

Cindy mentioned this came to SADAC -- who felt this topic wasn't in their purview. Jennie noted that Sandra had passed it on to her.

The proposed changes were discussed. Adding the reference to Deferred grades was an important clarification. The changes at section III.B.4. seemed to be editorial in nature (clarification of faculty rank and union representation). The point of those editorial changes seems to be to preclude someone in an administrative role from serving as a (voting) faculty on the appeals committee, though they could still fill a non-voting role on the committee.

Mike E. talked about the time deadlines in the policy, Section III.A.2. and 3 and the need to update them. The committee discussed possible workable changes. Mike will review it further and propose some changes to the deadlines stated in the policy.

Ken commented on the difficulty students face to meet the standard of "arbitrary and capricious" grading. The committee did not want to tackle the appeal issue to this level, however, which would take them far beyond the document at this point.

The committee agreed to discuss proposed changes further at their next meeting and plans to bring it to the Administrative Committee and the Senate in spring.

d. Math and science GER alignments

UAF was out of compliance with BOR policy and UA regulations until last May when the Administrative Committee passed a motion bringing us into compliance. Regulation requires 10 credits (3 credits in Math and 7 credits in Natural Sciences, including one course with a lab). UAF had required 11 credits (3 credits in Math; and 8 credits in Natural Sciences – both with labs) for its students. Transfer students from UAA and UAS only need the required 10 credits.

5. Informational

a. CAC Goals AY 15/16 update (attached)

The committee agreed to remove the topic concerning academic disqualification from the goals document.

The meeting was adjourned close to 2:30 PM as discussions turned to how long turkeys should be baked.