1. **Approval of Resolution of Appreciation for Kit Duke**

   PASSED
   “The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for Kit Duke. This motion is effective April 10, 2015.”

   WHEREAS, Kit Duke has served the University of Alaska with distinction as Associate Vice President for Facilities and Land Management since 2008; and

   WHEREAS, Kit Duke received a Bachelor’s degree in Architecture, has professional registration in Alaska, holds certification from the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards and maintains multiple professional interests including leadership, team building and improving the quality of the built environment; and

   WHEREAS, Kit Duke arrived with her husband Rhon at Beaver Creek, Alaska in the spring of 1970, and like many Alaskans at that time, arrived with lots of expectation but only $100, which they spent on a tent that became their residence at the family homestead property near Wasilla; and

   WHEREAS, Kit Duke’s hard work and skills distinguished her as a leader at pivotal moments in Alaska’s history and helped create a lengthy list of projects and buildings credited to her legacy of over 45 years of planning and developing Alaska infrastructure in both private and public sectors of the construction industry; she contributed materially to the creation of the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, served under Senator Arliss Sturgulewski as Executive Director for the Capital Site Planning Commission, worked on the initial legislation that resulted in the Alaska Public Building Fund, and planned and developed new courthouses for Fairbanks, Anchorage and several remote communities while working for the Alaska Court System; and

   WHEREAS, Kit Duke has consistently proven herself an asset to the university, in coordinating many players and involving community partners as she worked to improve revenue from the university’s land portfolio and with each campus to develop a more successful funding approach for capital projects. Her ability to gauge the potential for capitalizing on revenue opportunities has pushed UA into a better position for a sustainable future; and
WHEREAS, Kit Duke has strengthened relationships across the system by creating a more collaborative working environment, improved relationships with the Board of Regents Facilities and Land Management Committee, implemented data-driven decision-making, and with support from the board and President Gamble, ventured into activities that more than doubled land-based revenues in FY13-14 while holding expenses steady; and

WHEREAS, Kit Duke’s consensus-building abilities facilitated the complete rewrite and subsequent board adoption of Regents’ Policy Chapters 05.11 and 05.12., and the adoption of more efficient administrative processes; and

WHEREAS, Kit Duke, through a rigorous and cost-effective funding and accountability approach, oversaw a significant reduction in the deferred maintenance backlog, and created the groundwork for the University Building Fund to support re-capitalization and on-going maintenance of university buildings and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Kit Duke had policy oversight for many new and expanded building projects including UAF’s Margaret Murie Building, engineering building and William Wood Center; UAA’s Alaska Airlines Center, Engineering and Industry Building and associated spine segment; and UAS’s freshman dorms; and

WHEREAS, Kit Duke retires June 1, 2015, and will be moving into her cabin near Big Lake with her husband, visiting the few Alaska communities she has yet to see, taking up watercolor painting again and becoming a central part in the lives of her eight grandchildren.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska thanks Kit Duke for her contributions to the state in promoting innovative solutions and best practices for facilities and infrastructure development and management; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and conveyed to Kit Duke with a copy to be incorporated into the official minutes of the April 9-10, 2015 meeting of the Board of Regents.

2. Approval of Resolution of Appreciation for John Pugh

PASSED
“The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for John Pugh. This motion is effective April 10, 2015.”

WHEREAS, John Pugh has had a distinguished career at the University of Alaska Southeast spanning 28 years, which has included the positions of Dean of the School of Education, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Dean of Faculty, and as Chancellor; and
WHEREAS, John Pugh came to the university after a 15-year career with the State of Alaska, where he served as Director of Family and Youth Services, as Deputy Commissioner in the Department of Health and Social Services, and Commissioner of that department from 1983 to 1986; and

WHEREAS, John Pugh was appointed Chancellor of the University of Alaska Southeast by University of Alaska President Mark Hamilton in 1999; and

WHEREAS, John Pugh, in his role as UAS Chancellor, has provided extraordinary leadership resulting in significant expansion of academic and workforce programs at UAS, serving as chief administrator of three university campuses in Southeast Alaska: Juneau, Ketchikan, and Sitka; and

WHEREAS, John Pugh, as UAS Chancellor, served as chair of the Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory, a trustee of the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority, on the Board of Commissioners of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities from 2009-2015, and as the State of Alaska Representative on the Board of American Association of Colleges and Universities since 2006, and on the Alaska Airlines Southeast Community Advisory Board since 2011; and

WHEREAS, John Pugh oversaw the transition of the Juneau campus into a strong four-year liberal arts institution, provided the vision and secured the necessary faculty and facilities to make this a reality. Under his leadership, the campus went from a primarily part-time to a full-time student body; and

WHEREAS, John Pugh was instrumental in strengthening science programs, particularly Environmental Science and Marine Biology and transformed teacher education at UAS and the University of Alaska System by creating the Master of Arts in Teaching program, which led to more teachers with advanced degrees teaching in Alaska schools; and

WHEREAS, under John Pugh’s leadership UAS has experienced dramatic improvements to its facilities, including the Juneau Egan Classroom Wing addition, the Charles Gamble Jr.-Donald Sperl Joint Use Facility REC (shared with the Alaska National Guard), the Anderson Building remodel and major renovations at the Ketchikan and Sitka campuses; and

WHEREAS, John Pugh has successfully marshaled needed resources to complete the new freshman housing facility on the Juneau campus—a building that is invigorating student and campus life and helping increase student retention through graduation; and

WHEREAS, John Pugh has played a major role in bringing the number of UAS graduates to an all-time high in recent years and;

WHEREAS, John Pugh has embraced statewide cooperation between the three universities and K-12 school districts for academic and workforce programs and;
WHEREAS, John Pugh has built strong sustainable relationships with multiple sectors of the community through forums such as the Evening at Egan Fall Lecture series, Sound and Motion Spring Arts series and Community Day on Campus and;

WHEREAS, John Pugh reestablished the UAS Office of Development in 2000, increased the number of UAS funds at the University of Alaska Foundation from 14 to 116 including 63 endowments, established the Chancellor’s Circle giving level, and reinvigorated the Alumni & Friends Association; and

WHEREAS, under John Pugh’s leadership, the UAS Office of Development carried out successful fundraising campaigns to enhance the Juneau campus with the Noyes Pavillion, a grand piano, the raven sculpture, the eagle totem pole, the Auke Lake trail, and the whale sculpture, as well as the Ketchikan campus with the Rainbird Trailhead; and

WHEREAS, John Pugh has supported the UAS mission of student learning enhanced by faculty scholarship, undergraduate research and creative activities, community engagement, and the cultures and environment of Southeast Alaska, as well as the vision of UAS as a destination of choice for students seeking excellent academic programs and engaging learning opportunities that integrate the environment and cultures of Southeast Alaska and values of excellence, diversity, access, collaboration, sustainability and stewardship; and

WHEREAS, John Pugh is a tireless advocate for education and higher education and is recognized for nearly three decades of distinguished, faithful and meritorious service to UAS, the University of Alaska and the State of Alaska.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska officially recognizes and thanks John Pugh for his commitment and service to the university and its students over many years. He will be sincerely missed by all who have had the pleasure of working with him; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and conveyed to John Pugh, with a copy incorporated into the official minutes of the April 9-10, 2015 meeting of the Board of Regents.

3. **Approval of Resolution of Appreciation for Courtney Enright**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for Courtney Enright. This motion is effective April 10, 2015.”

WHEREAS, Courtney Enright was elected by her peers at the University of Alaska Fairbanks as their candidate for student regent in fall 2012; and
WHEREAS, Courtney Enright, in spring 2013, was appointed by Governor Sean Parnell and confirmed by the Alaska Legislature to serve a two-year term as the University of Alaska’s student regent; and

WHEREAS, Courtney Enright will graduate in May 2015 from the University of Alaska Fairbanks with a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering and in August 2015 with a Masters in Business Administration; and

WHEREAS, Courtney Enright is a fourth-generation Alaskan and takes immense pride in the history of the state and her place in its diverse community; and

WHEREAS, Courtney Enright is dedicated to serving her community, as demonstrated through her involvement in the Conference of Young Alaskans Steering Committee, the Library Advisory Board to the Ketchikan Public Library, and the Honors Student Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, Courtney Enright has devoted her time to juvenile justice, serving on the Alaska Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee, the Coalition of Juvenile Justice and as an Alternate Member representing Alaska, Washington, Oregon and Hawaii on the Federal Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice; and

WHEREAS, Courtney Enright has served as an intern for U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski and for the Alaska Space Grant Research Lab; as a University of Alaska Fairbanks Student Ambassador; and as public relations officer, treasurer and president of the Society of Women Engineers; and

WHEREAS, Courtney Enright has participated in Lions Club International, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Aurora Borealis Rotaract, the Society of Petroleum Engineering, the First City Republican Women and the United Campus Ministries; and

WHEREAS, Courtney Enright acted as a representative of the student population by regularly reaching out to student governing bodies and community campuses for their thoughts and concerns. She skillfully articulated the needs of her fellow students while balancing concerns for the university as a whole. She advocated strongly on issues that are now on the university timeline for completion - specifically the issues around establishing a common calendar, transfer of credits, degree programs and grades across the UA system; and

WHEREAS, Courtney Enright led students to a greater understanding of both their and the university’s position in the current fiscal environment. Because of those conversations, she, with student support, voted in favor of the administration’s proposed five percent tuition increase as the university faced financial challenges; and
WHEREAS, Courtney Enright consistently proved her dedication to her role on the board by arriving at each meeting prepared, energized and eager to participate. She was completely engaged in the process – she raised the bar, questioned authority and asserted her opinion with true Southeast gumption. Her service extended beyond board functions to her daily life, where she represented students and the university in her other leadership roles and even in passing conversation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents acknowledges Courtney Enright’s bright future with Baker Hughes, Inc. as a field engineer working offshore in the Gulf of Mexico and the many career opportunities that will follow.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents officially recognizes Courtney Enright for her exceptional service to Alaska and the University of Alaska. The board expresses profound thanks on behalf of students, staff and faculty of the university for her contributions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be conveyed to Courtney Enright with a copy to be incorporated into the official minutes of the April 9-10, 2015 meeting of the Board of Regents.

4. **Approval of Revisions to the Industrial Security Resolution**

PASSED
“The Board of Regents approves the Industrial Security Resolution as revised to reflect changes in administrative staff and authorizes the chair and secretary of the board to sign the resolution. This motion is effective April 10, 2015.”

5. **Approval of Revisions to the UA Optional Retirement Plan**

PASSED
“The Board of Regents approves the adoption of Amendment Four to the University of Alaska Optional Retirement Plan and University of Alaska Pension Plan, as proposed by the UA Summit Team. This motion is effective April 10, 2015, provided that the board delegates to the president full authority and discretion to vary implementation and/or the effective date as necessary to comply with any legal and collective bargaining requirements.”

6. **Approval of Revisions to Regents' Policy 04.04.070 – Emeritus Status**

PASSED
“The Board of Regents approves revisions to Regents' Policy 04.04.070 – Emeritus Status as presented. This motion is effective April 10, 2015.”
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7. **Approval of the Conversion of the Bachelor of Science in Engineering at the University of Alaska Anchorage to a Bachelor of Science in Computer Systems Engineering, a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, and a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering**

**PASSED**
“The Board of Regents approves the conversion of the Bachelor of Science in Engineering at the University of Alaska Anchorage to a Bachelor of Science in Computer Systems Engineering, a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, and a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering. This motion is effective April 10, 2015.”

8. **Approval of a Master of Security and Disaster Management at the University of Alaska Fairbanks**

**PASSED**
“The Board of Regents approves a Master of Security and Disaster Management at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. This motion is effective April 10, 2015.”

9. **Project Change Request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Engineering Facility**

**PASSED**
"The Board of Regents approves the project change request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Engineering Facility as presented in compliance with the campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to complete construction documents for the Alaska Center for Energy and Power Office Build-out adding $6.5 million in FY15/16 non-general funding, increasing the total project cost to $118.1 million, not to exceed a total expenditure of $81.3 million. This motion is effective April 10, 2015."

10. **Schematic Design Approval for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Combined Heat and Power Plant**

**PASSED**
"The Board of Regents approves the schematic design approval request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Combined Heat and Power Plant as presented in compliance with the campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to complete construction bid documents to bid and award a contract within the approved budget of $248,000,000, and to proceed with completion of project site construction, not to exceed $68,000,000 which is a $15,000,000 increase from the previous approval. This motion is effective April 10, 2015."
11. **Formal Project Approval for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Northwest Campus Phased Renovations**

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the formal project approval request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Northwest Campus Phased Renovations as presented in compliance with the approved campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to proceed through schematic design not to exceed a total project cost of $7,451,068. This motion is effective April 10, 2015."