Thursday, April 3, 2014

I. Call to Order

II. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION
“The Board of Regents adopts the agenda as presented.”

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IV. President’s Report
V. Governance Report
VI. Public Testimony
VII. Approval of Shaping Alaska’s Future Themes, Issues and Effects Statements and a Review of Draft Metrics
VIII. Presentation on the Alaska Student Loan and the Alaska Education Leadership Surveys
IX. University Relations Reports
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X. Approval of Bargaining Unit Agreement between the University of Alaska and United Academic-Adjuncts (UNAD)
XI. Approval of FY15 Amended Budget Request for United Academic-Adjuncts (UNAD) Agreement
XII. Human Resources Report
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      2. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.010 – Role of Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity
3. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.020 – Sponsored Projects Submittal and Acceptance
4. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.070 – Human Subjects in Research
5. Approval of a Graduate Certificate in Marriage and Family Counseling at the University of Alaska Anchorage
6. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.04.100 – Academic Calendar
7. Approval of a Resolution regarding Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.04.040 – General Education Requirements

B. Audit Committee
1. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 05.02.060 – Travel and Relocation

C. Facilities and Land Management Committee
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C. Facilities and Land Management Committee

XIX. Board Members will consider a Member’s Request to Review Regents’ Policy 02.09.020 – Possession of Weapons

XX. Future Agenda Items
XXI. Board of Regents' Comments
XXII. Executive Session
XXIII. Adjourn

This motion is effective April 3, 2014.”

III. Approval of Minutes

MOTION
"The Board of Regents approves the minutes of its regular meeting of February 20-21, 2014 as presented. This motion is effective April 3, 2014."

MOTION
"The Board of Regents approves the minutes of its emergency meeting of February 28, 2014 as presented. This motion is effective April 3, 2014."
MOTION
"The Board of Regents approves the minutes of its emergency meeting of March 17, 2014 as presented. This motion is effective April 3, 2014."

IV. President’s Report

President Gamble will update the board on issues of importance.

V. Governance Report [Scheduled for 9:15 a.m.]

Representatives from the Faculty Alliance, Staff Alliance and Coalition of Student Leaders will report on issues of importance to the faculty, staff and students at the University of Alaska. Representatives are:

Carey Brown, Staff Alliance Chair
Robert Boeckmann, Faculty Alliance Chair
Shauna Thornton, Coalition of Student Leaders Speaker

VI. Public Testimony [Scheduled for 9:30 a.m.]

Public testimony will be heard at approximately 9:30 a.m. Comments are limited to three minutes per individual. Written comments are accepted and will be distributed to the Board of Regents and President Gamble by the Board of Regents’ Officer following the meeting. The chair will determine when public testimony is closed.

VII. Approval of Shaping Alaska’s Future Themes, Issues and Effects Statements and a Review of Draft Metrics [Scheduled for 10:30 a.m.]

Vice President Thomas will present the Shaping Alaska’s Future Themes, Issues and Effects Statements. Associate Vice President Gruenig will review the draft matrix of metrics associated with Shaping Alaska’s Future.

The president recommends that:

MOTION
“The Board of Regents approves the Shaping Alaska’s Future Themes, Issues and Effects Statements as presented. This motion is effective April 3, 2014."

VIII. Presentation on the Alaska Student Loan and the Alaska Education Leadership Surveys [Scheduled for 11:15 a.m.]

Diane Barrans, Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education executive director, will present the survey results and will answer any questions regarding the surveys.
IX. University Relations Report  

A. Federal Relations Update

Vice President Beam will provide a Patton Boggs federal priorities update on issues concerning the University of Alaska.

B. Legislative Update

Associate Vice President Christensen will provide an update regarding the status of legislation concerning the University of Alaska.

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X. Approval of Bargaining Unit Agreement between the University of Alaska and United Academic-Adjuncts (UNAD)

The president recommends that:

MOTION
"The Board of Regents approves the collective bargaining agreement between the University of Alaska and United Academic-Adjuncts (UNAD) for the term of March 1, 2014 through February 28, 2017. This motion is effective April 4, 2014."

POLICY/STATUTORY CITATION
Regents' Policy 04.11.020 – Exclusions and Agreements, states:
No collective bargaining agreement shall be binding upon the Board of Regents without prior approval of the entire agreement by the Board of Regents.

Alaska Statute 14.40.170(a)(2) provides:
The Board of Regents shall . . . fix the compensation of the president of the university, all heads of departments, professors, teachers, instructors, and other officers; . . .

Alaska Statute 14.40.170(b)(1) provides:
The Board of Regents may . . . adopt reasonable rules, orders, and plans with reasonable penalties for the good government of the university and for the regulation of the Board of Regents.

The Alaska Supreme Court has stated:
Through legislative enactments, the university enjoys a considerable degree of statutory independence. Not only does the Board of Regents have the constitutional authority to appoint the president of the university, formulate policy and act as the governing body of the institution, but the legislature has specifically empowered it to fix the president's compensation and the compensation of all teachers, professors, instructors and other officers . . .
RECOMMENDATION
Pursuant to this policy and legal authority, the university administration has tentatively agreed upon a contract with the United Academics union. Members of the union will vote on the contract on March 26, 2014.

Pursuant to AS 23.40.215, the monetary terms of this collective bargaining agreement are subject to initial approval/disapproval and annual funding by the Alaska Legislature.

XI. Approval of FY15 Amended Budget Request for United Academic-Adjuncts (UNAD) Agreement

The president recommends that:

MOTION
"The Board of Regents approves the amended FY15 operating budget request to include funding for the United Academic-Adjuncts (UNAD) represented faculty. This motion is effective April 4, 2014."

POLICY CITATION
Regents' Policy 05.01.010.A. – Budget Policy, states: "The budget of the university represents an annual operating plan stated in fiscal terms. All budgetary requests shall be adopted by the board prior to submittal to the Office of the Governor or the legislature."

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION
The FY15 amended budget request includes funding for the United Academic-Adjuncts (UNAD) represented faculty.

Funding of $349.6 thousand ($174.8 thousand general funds and $174.8 thousand university receipts) will cover the FY15 compensation increases necessary under the agreement with the UNAD represented faculty. The agreement between UA and UNAD includes a rate increase based on the number of semesters taught at UA. The increases are as follows: 0-5 semesters 1%; 6-11 semesters 2%; and 12+ semesters 3%.

VI. Public Testimony (cont’d) [Scheduled for 9:30 a.m.]

Public testimony will be heard at approximately 9:30 a.m. Comments are limited to three minutes per individual. Written comments are accepted and will be distributed to the Board of Regents and President Gamble by the Board of Regents’ Officer following the meeting. The chair will determine when public testimony is closed.

XII. Human Resources Report [Scheduled for 10:30 a.m.]

Chief Human Resources Officer Seastedt will update the board regarding human resources issues.
XIII. Planning and Development Committee  

A. Discussion Regarding Board Governance

Regent Hughes will lead a discussion on board governance.

XIV. Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education Report

A report will be given by members representing the Board of Regents on the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education.

XV. UA Athletics Report

A report will be given by Regent Enright, the Board of Regents’ representative for UA Athletics.

XVI. Presentation from the Kodiak College

Faculty, staff and students will give presentations on programs and partnerships offered at Kodiak College. Presentations include:

Distance Education (QM) presented by Kitty Deal, assistant professor of education;

Workforce Development Kodiak Style presented by Alan Fugleberg, assistant director of academic affairs and assistant professor of general business, and Lorraine Stewart, coordinator, career technical education;

Cross UA partnerships:

UAS/AAST Fisheries presented by Cathy Foy, Kodiak site based student success coach, Fisheries Technology Department and Reid Brewer, associate professor, Fisheries Technology, UAS Sitka;

Alaska Native Studies/Alutiiq Studies presented by April Laktonen-Counciller, assistant professor of humanities, and Katie St. John, program manager, Title III Alutiiq Studies Grant;

WICHE Consortium of Healthcare Education Online DOL TAACCCT Grant: Medical Coding and online labs presented by Suzanne Buie, assistant professor of biology and health sciences department chair, and the UA Allied Health Alliance;

Student Success at Kodiak College presented by Kodiak College students;

Productivity, Goal Setting and Continuous Improvement presented by Kodiak College Director Bolson.
**XVII. Consent Agenda**

**MOTION**
“The Board of Regents approves the consent agenda as presented. This motion is effective April 4, 2014.”

A. **Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

1. **Approval of a Revision to Regents’ Policy 10.06.010 – Academic Program Review**  
   
   **MOTION**
   “The Board of Regents approves a revision to Regents’ Policy 10.06.010 – Academic Program Review as presented. This motion is effective on April 4, 2014.”

2. **Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.010 – Role of Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity**  
   
   **MOTION**
   “The Board of Regents approves revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.010 – Role of Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity as presented. This motion is effective on April 4, 2014.”

3. **Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.020 – Sponsored Project Submittal and Acceptance**  
   
   **MOTION**
   “The Board of Regents approves revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.020 – Sponsored Project Submittal and Acceptance as presented. This motion is effective on April 4, 2014.”

4. **Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.070 – Human Subjects in Research**  
   
   **MOTION**
   “The Board of Regents approves revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.070 – Human Subjects in Research as presented. This motion is effective on April 4, 2014.”

5. **Approval of a Graduate Certificate in Marriage and Family Counseling at the University of Alaska Anchorage**  
   
   **MOTION**
   “The Board of Regents approves the Graduate Certificate in Marriage and Family Counseling at the University of Alaska Anchorage. This motion is effective April 4, 2014.”
6. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.04.100 – Academic Calendar
   Reference 8

   MOTION
   “The Board of Regents approves revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.04.100 –
   Academic Calendar as presented. This motion is effective on April 4,
   2014.”

7. Approval of a Resolution regarding Revisions to Regents’ Policy
   10.04.040 – General Education Requirements
   Reference 9

   MOTION
   “The Board of Regents approves a resolution of support for charging the
   faculty across the UA system to develop and adopt common general
   education and developmental/preparatory learning outcomes and
   requirements. This motion is effective April 4, 2014.”

   WHEREAS, the Faculty Alliance has formed a General Education
   Learning Outcomes working group to discuss common general education
   learning outcomes; and

   WHEREAS, faculty and postsecondary education leaders from across the
   country developed Essential Learning Outcomes under the Liberal
   Education and America’s Promise (LEAP) initiative sponsored by the
   Association of American Colleges and Universities and hundreds of
   campuses and several state systems have adopted LEAP for general
   education; and

   WHEREAS, Alaska has one of the lowest college-going rates among the
   fifty states and providing clear and consistent initial course placement
   information in developmental/preparatory education and general education
   courses is needed to improve communication about postsecondary
   educational pathways; and

   WHEREAS, teachers, school principals, parents, and legislators have
   communicated their confusion over differing initial placement
   requirements in general education and developmental/preparatory courses
   among UA institutions; and

   WHEREAS, our universities and community college share a common
   institutional accreditor, the Northwest Commission on Colleges and
   Universities, which has a standard requiring a recognizable core of general
   education that represents an integration of basic knowledge and
   methodology of the humanities and fine arts, mathematical and natural
   sciences, and social sciences; and
WHEREAS, sharing common developmental/preparatory and general education programs across the UA system will allow students to complete those requirements at any institution without credit transfer concerns; and

WHEREAS, the faculty are responsible for the general education curriculum; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents intends to adopt changes to P10.04.010, P10.04.040, P10.04.062 and P10.04.080 to provide that all universities and community colleges will have the same developmental/preparatory and general education requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Regents resolves to charge the faculty across the UA system to develop and adopt common general education and developmental/preparatory learning outcomes and requirements and, as a first step in this process to develop and implement common learning outcomes, course descriptions, numbers and titles, and common placement tools and scores for math and English and propose a plan of implementation for other areas of general education (humanities and fine arts, natural sciences, and social sciences) by fall 2016; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed, with a copy to be incorporated in the official minutes of the April 3-4, 2014, meeting of the University of Alaska Board of Regents.

B. Audit Committee

1. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 05.02.060 – Travel and Relocation

   Reference 15

   MOTION
   "The Board of Regents approves revisions to Regents’ Policy 05.02.060 – Travel and Relocation as presented. This motion is effective April 4, 2014."

C. Facilities and Land Management Committee

1. Formal Project Approval for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Akasofu Restoration

   Reference 10

   MOTION
   “The Board of Regents approves the formal project approval request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Akasofu Restoration 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 $4,400,000. This motion is effective April 4, 2014.”
2. Project Change Request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Utilities Critical Electrical Distribution Renewal Phase 2

MOTION
“The Board of Regents approves the project change request in the amount of $2,000,000 for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Utilities Critical Electrical Distribution Renewal Phase 2 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 total project cost of $26.25 million, and to proceed with project construction not to exceed $19,880,000. This motion is effective April 4, 2014.”

3. Project Change Request for the University of Alaska Anchorage Seawolf Sports Arena (Alaska Airlines Center)

MOTION
“The Board of Regents approves the project change request for the University of Alaska Anchorage Seawolf Sports Arena (Alaska Airlines Center) project as presented in compliance with the campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to continue with project construction, increasing the total project cost by $1,585,000 for the build-out of restaurant spaces, not to exceed a total expenditure of $110,585,000. This motion is effective April 3, 2014.”

XVIII. New Business and Committee Reports

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

B. Audit Committee

C. Facilities and Land Management Committee

XIX. Board Members will consider a Member’s Request to Review Regents’ Policy 02.09.020 – Possession of Weapons

This is a full board discussion item.

XX. Future Agenda Items

XXI. Board of Regents’ Comments
XXII. Executive Session

MOTION
“The Board of Regents goes into executive session to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which could have an effect on the finances of the university related to Prince William Sound Community College and the 6070 labor negotiations and to discuss matters that by law are required to be confidential related to receiving legal advice and providing direction to an attorney regarding weapons on campus. This motion is effective April 4, 2014.”

(To be announced prior to commencing executive session:)
The Board of Regents goes into executive session at _____ p.m. Alaska Time in accordance with AS 44.62.310. The session will include members of the Board of Regents, President Gamble, General Counsel Hostina, and such other university staff members as the president may designate and will last approximately __________.

(To be announced at the conclusion of executive session:)
The Board of Regents concluded an executive session at _____ p.m. Alaska Time in accordance with AS 44.62.310 to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which could have an effect on the finances of the university related to Prince William Sound Community College and the 6070 labor negotiations and to discuss matters that by law are required to be confidential related to receiving legal advice and providing direction to an attorney regarding weapons on campus. The session included members of the Board of Regents, President Gamble, General Counsel Hostina, and such other university staff members designated by the president and lasted approximately __________.

XXIII. Adjourn