Thursday, February 20, 2014

I. Call to Order

II. Adoption of Agenda

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

I. Call to Order
II. Adoption of Agenda
III. Approval of Minutes
IV. President’s Report
V. Governance Report
VI. Public Testimony
VII. Approval of FY14 Supplemental Budget Request
VIII. Approval of FY15 Amended Budget Request
IX. Presentation on WICHE State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement
X. Presentation on Arctic Activities at the University of Alaska Fairbanks
XI. Human Resources Report
XII. Development and Foundation Report
XIII. Presentation on Alaska Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration
XIV. Planning and Development Committee
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XV. Approval of an Additional Board Member for Seawolf Holdings, LLC
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XVII. Presentation on Commercialization Activities at the University of Alaska Anchorage and the University of Alaska Fairbanks
XVIII. Presentation on the Alaska Science and Technology Plan and an Approval of a Resolution of Support for the Plan
XIX. Consent Agenda
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      1. Approval of Revision to Regents’ Policy 10.02.040 Related to the Merger of the University of Alaska Fairbanks School of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences and the Cooperative Extension Service
      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 Master of Music in Performance and the Deletion of a Master of Arts in Music at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

B. Facilities and Land Management Committee
   1. Schematic Design Approval for the University of Alaska Anchorage Health Campus Pedestrian Bridge
   2. Project Change Request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Fine Arts Vapor Barrier Design and Installation
   4. Approval of the 2014 South Mitkof and Wrangell Narrows East Timber Development and Disposal Plans

XX. New Business and Committee Reports
   A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee
   B. Audit Committee
   C. Facilities and Land Management Committee

XXI. Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education Report
XXII. UA Athletics Report
XXIII. Executive Session
XXIV. Future Agenda Items
XXV. Board of Regents' Comments
XXVI. Adjourn

This motion is effective February 20, 2014.”

III. Approval of Minutes

MOTION
"The Board of Regents approves the minutes of its regular meeting of December 12-13, 2013 as presented. This motion is effective February 20, 2014."

MOTION
"The Board of Regents approves the minutes of its board retreat of January 22-23, 2014 as presented. This motion is effective February 20, 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:

Robert Boeckmann, Faculty Alliance Chair  
Carey Brown, Staff 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 FY14 Supplemental Operating Budget Request [Scheduled for 10:30 a.m.]  
Reference 1

The president recommends that:

MOTION
"The Board of Regents approves the supplemental FY14 operating budget request to offset increases in fuel and utility costs. This motion is effective February 20, 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 University of Alaska (UA) requested FY14 supplemental funding in the amount of $1.6 million to help offset increases in fuel and utility costs. UA continues to look for ways to reduce utility costs across the system, but with an aging power-plant in Fairbanks and electrical charge increases in Anchorage, the annual costs continue to grow.

UA’s projected FY14 utility funding shortfall is $6.3 million, with an annual fuel allocation of $4.7 million; UA expects to need an additional $1.6 million to cover the cost increase.
VIII. Approval of FY15 Amended Budget Request

The president recommends that:

**MOTION**
"The Board of Regents approves the amended FY15 operating budget request to include funding for the United Academics (UNAC) represented faculty and base funding for utility cost increases. This motion is effective February 20, 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**
Funding of $3.4 million ($1.7 million general funds and $1.7 million university receipts) will cover the FY15 compensation increases necessary under the agreement with the United Academics (UNAC) represented faculty. The agreement between UA and UNAC includes a two percent (2%) salary increase across-the-board to eligible faculty members and a lump sum payment of $750 per eligible unit member for FY15.

Funding of $3.4 million in general funds will replace FY14 supplemental funding and fund the FY15 projected utility cost increases not covered by the fuel trigger mechanism and other non-state funds. UA requested a FY14 supplemental of $1.6 million to cover projected utility cost increases not covered by the fuel trigger mechanism and an FY15 amendment to the fuel and utility cost distribution to maintain the FY14 funding level. In FY15, the $18 million funding cap was reduced to $15 million, reducing the potential amount available to UA by $780 thousand. To maintain the FY14 funding level, UA requested the distribution percentage be increased to 13% (up from 10%) plus or minus three percent (maximum of 16% available).

IX. Presentation on WICHE State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement

Carol Gering, executive director of e-Learning and Distance Education at the University of Alaska Fairbanks and Rhonda M. Epper, director of the WICHE SARA program, will give a presentation on the WICHE State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA). Information regarding this agreement is included in Addendum 1.
X. Presentation on Arctic Activities at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

Chancellor Rogers will lead a presentation on University of Alaska Fairbanks activities in the Arctic.

Other presenters include:
Aldona Jonaitis, Director, University of Alaska Museum of the North (UAMN)
Patrick Druckenmiller, Curator of Earth Sciences, Geology and Geophysics-UAMN
Scott Rupp, Director, Scenarios Network for Alaska & Arctic Planning (SNAP)
Nettie La Belle-Hamer, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research & ASF Director
Cam Carlson, Director, Center for Study of Security, Hazards, Response and Preparedness
Harry Bader, Director, Center for Island, Maritime and Extreme Environment Security
Bob McCoy, Director, Geophysical Institute
Cathy Cahill, Professor of Chemistry and Congressional Fellow
Mark Myers, Vice Chancellor for Research.

XI. Human Resources Report

Chief Human Resources Officer Seastedt will update the board regarding human resources issues.

XII. Development and Foundation Report

Vice President Beam will provide an update on development and UA Foundation activities.

XIII. Presentation on Alaska Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration

Deputy Director Bailey, Alaska Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration (ACUASI), will give a presentation regarding the program.

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XIV. Planning and Development Committee

A. Discussion Regarding Board Governance

Regent Hughes will lead a discussion on board governance.
XV. Approval of an Additional Board Member for Seawolf Holdings, LLC

MOTION
“The Board of Regents approves an additional board member for Seawolf Holdings, LLC. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION
Chancellor Case and Vice Provost Wisniewski, president of Seawolf Holdings, LLC, have submitted under separate cover a nominee for Board of Regents’ review.

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.

XVI. Shaping Alaska’s Future Discussion

President Gamble and Vice President Thomas will lead a discussion on Shaping Alaska’s Future.

[XVI. Shaping Alaska’s Future Discussion]

XVII. Presentation on Commercialization Activities at the University of Alaska Anchorage and the University of Alaska Fairbanks Addendums 5 & 6

Vice Provost Wisniewski at UAA and Director White of the Office of Intellectual Property and Commercialization at UAF will present information on commercialization activities at their respective campuses.

[XVII. Presentation on Commercialization Activities at the University of Alaska Anchorage and the University of Alaska Fairbanks Addendums 5 & 6]

XVIII. Presentation on the Alaska Science and Technology Plan and an Approval of a Resolution of Support for the Plan Addendums 7 & 8

Lt. Governor Treadwell and Vice President Thomas will provide information on the Alaska Science and Technology Plan.

MOTION
“The Board of Regents approves a resolution of support for the Alaska Science and Technology Plan as presented. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

WHEREAS, The Alaska State Committee for Research (SCoR) is an advisory body created to assist the University of Alaska in focusing and enhancing its capacity for research and development through a partnership of UA colleges and universities, to promote research and development in and between universities and industry, to promote economic development in Alaska, and to provide oversight and guidance to the Alaska EPSCoR program; and
WHEREAS, The Alaska State Committee for Research (SCoS) has developed the Alaska Science and Technology Plan, “To Build a Fire”, as a road map for the future of Alaska by collaborative effort between the state, the University of Alaska, federal agencies, communities and the private sector.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents strongly supports the Alaska Science and Technology Plan developed by the Alaska State Committee for Research (SCoS); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the president of the University of Alaska should take whatever actions he determines appropriate to further the Alaska Science and Technology Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed, with a copy to be incorporated in the official minutes of the February 20-21, 2014, meeting of the University of Alaska Board of Regents.

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION
The Alaska Science and Technology Plan is consistent with the University’s Academic Master Plan and works to support and foster research throughout the state. The plan presents a road map for improving Alaskan science and technology and requires a collaborative effort between the state, the University of Alaska, federal agencies, communities, and the private sector.

XIX. Consent Agenda

MOTION
“The Board of Regents approves the consent agenda as presented. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

1. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.02.040 Related to the Merger of the University of Alaska Fairbanks School of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences and the Cooperative Extension Service

MOTION
“The Board of Regents approves the merger of the University of Alaska Fairbanks School of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences and the Cooperative Extension Service to form the School of Natural Resources and Extension. This motion is effective February 21, 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 as presented. This motion is effective on February 21, 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 as presented. This motion is effective on February 21, 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 as presented. This motion is effective on February 21, 2014.”

5. Approval of a Master of Music in Performance and the Deletion of a Master of Arts in Music at the University of Alaska Fairbanks  

**MOTION**  
“The Board of Regents approves a Master of Music in Performance at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

**MOTION**  
“The Board of Regents approves the deletion of a Master of Arts in Music at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

B. Facilities and Land Management Committee

1. Schematic Design Approval for the University of Alaska Anchorage Health Campus Pedestrian Bridge  

**MOTION**  
“The Board of Regents approves the schematic design approval request for the University of Alaska Anchorage Health Campus Pedestrian Bridge, 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, and to proceed to completion of project construction not to exceed a total project cost of $6,165,730. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”
2. Project Change Request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Fine Arts Vapor Barrier Design and Installation

MOTION
“The Board of Regents approves the project change request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Fine Arts Complex Vapor Barrier Design and Installation as presented in compliance with the campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to release a budget surplus of $2.3 million of the original total project cost of $5.6 million resulting in a final total project cost of $3.3 million. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”


MOTION
“The Board of Regents approves the formal project approval request for the University of Alaska Southeast Campus Modifications 2014-2016 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 $12,771,000. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

4. Approval of the 2014 South Mitkof and Wrangell Narrows East Timber Development and Disposal Plans

MOTION
“The Board of Regents approves the 2014 South Mitkof and Wrangell Narrows East Timber Development and Disposal Plans and authorizes the university administration to proceed with the competitive timber sale as set forth in the timber development and disposal plans. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

XX. New Business and Committee Reports

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

B. Audit Committee

C. Facilities and Land Management Committee

XXI. 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.
XXII. **UA Athletics Report**

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

XXIII. **Executive Session**

**MOTION**

“The Board of Regents goes into executive session to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the finances of the university related to the KABATA ROW Acquisition, an Anchorage land purchase and a line of credit agreement. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

(To be announced prior to commencing executive session:)
The Board of Regents goes into executive session at _____ a.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 _____ a.m. Alaska Time in accordance with AS 44.62.310 to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the finances of the university related to the KABATA ROW Acquisition, an Anchorage land purchase and a line of credit agreement. 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 __________.

XXIV. **Future Agenda Items**

XXV. **Board of Regents' Comments**

XXVI. **Adjourn**