

U N I V E R S I T Y *of* A L A S K A

Staff Alliance

Draft Minutes

Tuesday, June 9, 2009

12:30pm – 2:30pm by audio conference

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Present:

Juella Sparks, Martin Klein, Heather Swanson, Bobbi McCoy, Paloma Harbour, Pat Ivey

2. Adopt agenda

The agenda was not adopted because quorum was not reached.

3. Chair's Report

- a. Board of Regents meeting

Last week President Hamilton announced his retirement. He has not given a definite date for retirement but wants the regents to start looking soon. The Governor approved the conference committee version of the university budget without vetoes. One time items will be pursued in the FY11 budget. Regents approved the FY10 budget as presented. See <http://www.alaska.edu/swbir/budget/>. In the capital budget, the university only received \$3.2 million. Didn't get receipt authority for a lot of the original capital budget request, but did get receipt authority for federal stimulus money. The regents did approve \$148 million for arctic research vessel and \$1.8 million of UAF for a grant. Regents postponed approval on a number of programs and asked that a plan for program approval be developed. Representative Kerttula talked to the regents about daycare. Evidently three out of four Staff Make Students Count awardees this year started out at the university as student employees.

- b. Staff Make Students Count Awardees

No additional discussion about the awardees occurred.

- c. Other items of interest - There were no other items of interest brought up

4. Guest Comments – There were no guest comments.
5. President’s Retirement, Alliance Recognition of Achievement
 - a. Pat put together a list of staff recognition programs that he has started during his tenure.

6. Alliance Participation in Search for New President

Staff Alliance requests Alliance participation on the search committee. Add Presidential Search to the agenda for next month.

Chairs of the governance groups could write a joint letter requesting governance participation and copy the respective groups. The System Governance Council Chair will draft the letter.

7. Alliance Calendar

<http://gov.alaska.edu/staff/calendar/2009-2010.html>

Quorum was reached for adoption of the calendar

- a. MOTION: PASSED

“The Staff Alliance approves the 2009-2010 calendar pending adjustments in August. This action is effective June 9, 2009.”

8. Employee Relations Issues

- a. Compensation Committee Proposal – Grid and Salary Adjustments
<http://gov.alaska.edu/staff/2009-06-04-5-bor-090604ref29.pdf>

The Board of Regents did not deviate from the proposal as shown in the attachment.

- b. Other Employee Relations Issues – There were no other employee relations issues discussed.

9. Committee Reports – Committee reports were postponed until next meeting.

- a. Human Resources Committee
- b. Retirement Committee not meeting
- c. JHHC
- d. ITEC
- e. Business Council
- f. Other Committee Reports

10. Local Governance Reports

- a. UAA – No report.
- b. UAF Staff Council successfully passed bylaws and constitution changes to provide for president and vice president instead of president and pres-elect. UAF Staff Council still has voting by unit not at large. Staff Appreciation day went great. President Klein will probably meet with chancellor over the summer. Power plant downtown that supplied very small part of power to UAF had a fire but will be fixed soon. The forest fire in North Pole is pretty much out, came close to homes but no homes were destroyed. Earthquakes have subsided.
- c. SW – SAA has its annual meeting on Thursday
- d. UAS Staff Council elections are supposed to be held this week. A staff member's house burned Monday. The IT director will be out on medical leave for a while.

11. Agenda items for next meeting July 14, 2009

Agenda items will include but not be limited to Staff Emeritus and the August 3-4 retreat.

12. Other Items of Concern – There were no additional items of concern

13. Member Comments – There were no additional member comments

14. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 1:50pm.