

Board of Regents
Meeting of the Full Board
November 10-11, 2022
Fairbanks, Alaska

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

Full Board Actions

1. **Approval of the Bargaining Unit Agreement between the University of Alaska and United Academics, AAUP/APEA**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents conditionally approves the collective bargaining agreement between the University of Alaska and United Academics, AAUP/APEA (UNAC), for the term of January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2024, subject to ratification by the bargaining unit members and approval by the State of Alaska Department of Administration. This motion is effective November 10, 2022.”

2. **Approval of the Bargaining Unit Agreement between the University of Alaska and United Academic-Adjuncts**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents conditionally approves the collective bargaining agreement between the University of Alaska and United Academic-Adjuncts (UNAD), for the term of July 1, 2022, through February 28, 2025, subject to ratification by the bargaining unit members and approval by the State of Alaska Department of Administration. This motion is effective November 10, 2022.”

3. **Approval of the Bargaining Unit Agreement between the University of Alaska and the Fairbanks Firefighters Association, Local 1324, AFL-CIO**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents conditionally approves the collective bargaining agreement between the University of Alaska and the Fairbanks Firefighters Association, Local 1324, for the term of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026, subject to approval by the State of Alaska Department of Administration. This motion is effective November 10, 2022.”

4. **Approval of Revisions to Regents' Policy 05.10. - Tuition and Student Fees**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves revisions to Regents' Policy 05.10. - Tuition and Student Fees as presented. This motion is effective November 10, 2022.”

5. Approval of Tuition Rates for Academic Year 2024

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves tuition rates for Academic Year 2024 as presented with an increase for lower division tuition at the University of Alaska Fairbanks' Troth Yeddha' campus. This motion is effective November 10, 2022.”

6. Approval of the FY24 Operating Budget Request

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the FY24 operating budget request in accordance with the plan as presented. This motion is effective November 10, 2022.”

7. Approval of the FY24 Capital Budget Request and 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the FY24 capital budget request in accordance with the plan as presented. This motion is effective November 10, 2022.”

POSTPONED

“The Board of Regents approves the 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan for FY24-FY33 as presented. This motion is effective November 10, 2022.”

8. Approval of a Master of Science and a Doctorate in Earth System Science at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves a Master of Science and a Doctorate in Earth System Science at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

9. Approval of Program Name Change from a Master of Arts in Anthropology to a Master of Arts in Applied Anthropology at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves a program name change from a Master of Arts in Anthropology to a Master of Arts in Applied Anthropology at the University of Alaska Anchorage. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

10. Approval of the Alaska College of Education Biennial Senate Bill 241 Report

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the 'Alaska's University for Alaska's Schools' (Senate Bill 241) report to the 34th Alaska State Legislature on teacher preparation, retention, and recruitment in accordance with AS 14.40.190(b). This motion is effective November 11, 2022”

11. Adoption of the FY22 Audited UA Financial Statements

PASSED

“The Board of Regents adopts the audited financial statements of the University of Alaska for the year ended June 30, 2022 as presented. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

12. Adoption of the FY22 Audited Education Trust of Alaska Financial Statements

PASSED

“The Board of Regents adopts the audited financial statements of the Education Trust of Alaska for the year ended June 30, 2022 as presented. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

13. UAF 2020 Troth Yeddha' Campus Master Plan Amendment - Lola Tilly Repurpose for Student Life and General Use

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the University of Alaska Fairbanks Troth Yeddha' Campus Master Plan Amendment for the change of use of the Lola Tilly Building, as presented. This amendment will be incorporated in the existing 2020 UAF Troth Yeddha' Campus Master Plan. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

14. UAF 2020 Troth Yeddha' Campus Master Plan Amendment - ACEP Energy Test Facility Annex Building Site

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the University of Alaska Fairbanks Troth Yeddha' Campus Master Plan Amendment to allocate a new building site for a future research building near the ACEP Energy Technology Facility, as presented. This amendment will be incorporated into the existing 2020 UAF Troth Yeddha' Campus Master Plan. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

15. Approval to Change the Location of the Board of Regents' January 2023 Meeting

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves moving the January 2023 meeting from Anchorage to a Zoom conference. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

16. Approval of the Board of Regents' 2023 and 2024 Meeting Schedule

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves its January, May, August, and November 2023 meeting schedule as revised and its 2024 meeting schedule as presented. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

17. Approval of a Revision to BL11.B. Minutes; Public Inspection

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves a revision to BL11.B. Minutes; Public Inspection as presented. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

18. Approval of a Resolution of Appreciation for John Davies

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for John Davies. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

WHEREAS, John Davies has served the University of Alaska with excellence and integrity since his appointment to the Board of Regents by former Governor Bill Walker in 2015; and

WHEREAS, John Davies demonstrated service as treasurer (2015-2016) and vice chair (2016-2018) of the board and led the university in a calm and inclusive manner as board chair (2018-2019) during some of the most stressful times in university history as the system faced extreme budget cuts, financial exigency, and accreditation concerns; and

WHEREAS, John Davies served on numerous committees of the board during his tenure, including Ad Hoc Committee on Title IX (chair 2015-2018, 2020-2022), Ad Hoc Committee on Tuition (chair 2021-2022), Audit and Finance (chair 2020-2022), Facilities and Land Management (chair 2015-2018), Governance, Presidential Performance Evaluation Sub-committee; and

WHEREAS, John Davies, as chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Title IX, led the effort to hold listening sessions on university campuses, to engage in policy review and the development of stronger Regents’ Policy regarding Title IX procedures, and worked on improving the campus climate across the system; and

WHEREAS, John Davies demonstrated steadfast advocacy for the value of the university and university research and the necessity of speaking up about damaging funding reductions and diminishing state support; and

WHEREAS, John Davies has had a long career in public service, including ten years in the Alaska Legislature and nine years on the Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly; and

WHEREAS, John Davies, for 12 years, was a researcher at the Cold Climate Housing Research Center in Fairbanks, where he researched public policy related to energy-efficient building techniques for cold climates; he also worked for 12 years as the state seismologist, and as a research associate for the Alaska Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys and the University of Alaska Fairbanks Geophysical Institute during this time he was instrumental in the establishment of the Alaska Earthquake Center and the Alaska Volcano Observatory, and he also served six years on the University of Alaska Alumni Board, four years as chair; and

WHEREAS, John Davies came to Alaska to attend school at the University of Alaska Fairbanks to study geophysics, and due to that lifelong scientific interest, he often expressed support for the critical research being conducted across the university system, from climate change to Arctic security issues, public health, to Arctic engineering, and remains a staunch supporter of the university system's research mission; and

WHEREAS, John Davies holds a bachelor's degree in physics from Reed College, and a Ph.D. in geophysics from the University of Alaska Fairbanks; and

WHEREAS, John Davies and his wife Linda Schandelmeier are extremely active members of the Fairbanks community, volunteering in many capacities on nonprofit boards and advisory councils, the Unitarian Church, and are ever present at community events from the memorial for Justice Ginsberg to community fundraising events and awareness activities, to rallies in support of climate, social justice, Indigenous rights, and fiscal responsibility; and

WHEREAS, outside all of these incredible accomplishments, John Davies and his wife maintain a beautiful garden and enjoy time with their children and grandchildren while taking in all the opportunities afforded a life in Interior Alaska.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska officially recognizes and thanks John Davies for his dedicated service to the University of Alaska, its employees, students, and partners; he will be truly missed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and conveyed to John Davies with a copy incorporated into the official minutes of the November 10-11, 2022, meeting of the Board of Regents.

19. Approval of a Resolution of Appreciation for Lisa Parker

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for Lisa Parker. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

WHEREAS, Lisa Parker has served the University of Alaska with dedication and distinction since her appointment to the Board of Regents by former Governor Bill Walker in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Parker demonstrated service as secretary (2016-2018) and treasurer (2018-2022) of the board; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Parker served on numerous committees of the board during her tenure, including Academic and Student Affairs, Ad Hoc Committee on Title IX (chair 2019), Ad Hoc Committee on Tuition, Ad Hoc Committee on the University of Alaska Foundation Campaign, Facilities and Land Management (chair 2021-2022, vice chair 2017-2019), Governance, Planning and Development (chair 2015-2017), University of Alaska Foundation Board of Trustees and the Alaska Commission on Post-Secondary Education

WHEREAS, Lisa Parker, with her extensive background in crisis communication, was a clear-spoken and well-reasoned voice during a term accentuated by budget and reputational challenges; her presence on the board added an element of calm and compassion during difficult times; and at times, she voted from a minority position against some of the more divisive actions including financial exigency, the elimination of the University of Alaska Anchorage School of Education and consolidation, while championing alternatives; and WHEREAS, Lisa Parker is highly supportive of shared governance and made it clear on numerous occasions that including the voices of students, faculty, staff, and community members is essential to the governing process; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Parker was a fierce advocate for the needs of rural campuses, and community campuses and a strong advocate of the university system's community college mission; she served for six years on the College Council for the Kenai Peninsula College Kenai River Campus; her husband Steve Horn is a retired professor of business and economics at Kenai Peninsula College, and she understands at a critical level how decisions of the board need to be considered from the perspective of impact to the university's extended campuses; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Parker has a long history of public involvement in Alaska; she won her first election to the Anchorage Charter Commission at the age of 19, served as planning director for the Kenai Peninsula Borough Planning Commission, and currently serves as the Soldotna Vice Mayor and on the City Council; her previous service to the City of Soldotna includes membership on the Parks Committee, Cemetery Task Force and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Parker and her husband operate Parker Horn Company, a strategic planning and community outreach firm specializing in developing strategic and community outreach plans for clients, as well as government relations, crisis response, and management courses and services; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Parker has a rich background in resource development and currently works with Furie Operating Alaska; her past experiences include working for Cominco Alaska during the planning, development, and initial operations of the Red Dog Mine in Northwest Alaska; she was also the government and community relations manager for Agrium USA - one of the world's largest fertilizer manufacturers; external affairs manager for Apache Corporation; stakeholder engagement manager for the Alaska Gasline

Development Corporation and helped create Alaska's first non-persistent oil spill cooperative, Alaska Chadux Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Parker was selected in 1978 as Alaska's Harry S. Truman Scholar, a highly competitive, merit-based award for students that provides scholarships for both undergraduate and graduate degrees for individuals pursuing a career in public service; and WHEREAS, Lisa Parker has a bachelor of science from The American University, Washington D.C., Cum Laude, and a Certificate in Corporate Community Outreach from Boston College; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Parker, a born and raised Alaskan, lives adjacent to a golf course and is an accomplished golfer and outdoor enthusiast and enjoys many activities, including snowshoeing, hiking, and fishing, and will continue to enjoy all that Alaska - and the scenic Kenai Peninsula in particular - has to offer to the adventurous.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska officially recognizes and thanks Lisa Parker for her dedicated service to the University of Alaska, its employees, students, and partners; she will be truly missed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and conveyed to Lisa Parker with a copy incorporated into the official minutes of the November 10-11, 2022, meeting of the Board of Regents.

20. Approval of a Resolution of Appreciation for J. Scott Jepsen

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for J. Scott Jepsen. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

WHEREAS, J. Scott Jepsen has served the University of Alaska with integrity and dedication since his appointment to the Board of Regents by Governor Mike Dunleavy in 2021; and

WHEREAS, J. Scott Jepsen was enjoying retirement after 41 years in Alaska's oil & gas industry, including most recently as vice president of external affairs and transportation for ConocoPhillips Alaska, when he was appointed to fill a vacant two-year term; and

WHEREAS, J. Scott Jepsen served on committees of the board during his tenure, including Ad Hoc Committee on Tuition, Facilities and Land Management, and Governance, and although his term has been brief, his insightful comments and observations, critical questions, and strong background in finance, business, and management has made him a highly valued member of the board; and

WHEREAS, J. Scott Jepsen’s service to the university also includes serving nine years on the board of directors for the University of Alaska Foundation, including a two-year term as chair; and

WHEREAS, J. Scott Jepsen’s experience has included management of oil and gas operations in Alaska and the Lower 48, the Kenai LNG plant, pipelines, state and federal government affairs, media and advertising, stakeholder relations, and philanthropy; and
WHEREAS, J. Scott Jepsen has served on several other boards, including Commonwealth North, Alaska Public Media, the Resource Development Council, and the Petroleum of Club of Anchorage; and

WHEREAS, J. Scott Jepsen has a B.S. and M.S. in chemical engineering from the University of Texas at Austin; and

WHEREAS, J. Scott Jepsen and his partner Amber Babcock will continue to enjoy life in Anchorage, where their son, Trevor, a University of Alaska Fairbanks graduate, also works and lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska officially recognizes and thanks J. Scott Jepsen for his dedicated service to the University of Alaska, its employees, students, and partners; he will be genuinely missed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and conveyed to J. Scott Jepsen with a copy incorporated into the official minutes of the November 10-11, 2022, meeting of the Board of Regents.

21. Approval of a Resolution of Appreciation for Sheri Buretta

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for Sheri Buretta. This motion is effective November 11, 2022.”

WHEREAS, Sheri Buretta has served the University of Alaska with dedication and distinction since her appointment to the Board of Regents by former Governor Bill Walker in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Buretta demonstrated service as vice chair (2018-2019) of the board and led the university with strategic focus through three years of unprecedented challenges as board chair (2019-2022), courageously facing the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, adeptly handling budget reductions, program eliminations, and personnel reduction, hiring a new university president and supporting the university through its Goals and Measures Initiative; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Buretta served on numerous committees of the board during her tenure, including Academic and Student Affairs, Ad Hoc Committee on Title IX, Audit (chair 2015-2019), Governance, Presidential Performance Evaluation Sub-committee; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Buretta has championed the Alaska Native Success Initiative and has been instrumental in ensuring it remains a central goal of the university; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Buretta is an active advocate for all Alaska Native people and has devoted her life's work to fostering economic growth, promoting Alaska Native self-determination through business development and preserving Alaska Native culture; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Buretta's background includes extensive experience with Alaska Native corporations, serving as chairman of the Chugach Alaska Corporation, also director of the Native American Contractors Association, and serving on the Board of Directors for the Alaska Federation of Natives, the Board of Directors for the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, the Board of Directors for Alaskans Standing Together, the Tatitlek Corporation Board, and the Russian Orthodox Sacred Sites in Alaska, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Buretta's civil service experience also includes serving on the Anchorage Economic Development Corporation Board, the Foraker Board, and the Prince William Sound Regional Citizens Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, in November 2016, the YWCA Alaska recognized Sheri Buretta during its 27th Annual YWCA Alaska/BP Women of Achievement and Youth Awards, saying she exemplified the YWCA Alaska's mission to eliminate racism and empower women and, in 2010, she received the Anchorage ATHENA Society Leadership Award, both highly deserving of the recognition; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Buretta brings the same strength, resolve, passion, and compassion to her work, to her community involvement, and her family; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Buretta holds an associate degree in accounting from the University of Alaska and an associate degree in business from Gulf Coast Community College in Florida; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Buretta was born in Anchorage; her family is from the village of Tatitlek, located in Prince William Sound; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Buretta loves to ski and travel to Hawaii with her husband, Gary, daughter Anastasia, and son Bo; she also enjoys teaching fur sewing during the Tatitlek Cultural Heritage week and participating in its community events and ceremonies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska officially recognizes and thanks Sheri Buretta for her dedicated service to the University of Alaska, its employees, students, and partners; she will be sincerely missed; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and conveyed to Sheri Buretta with a copy incorporated into the official minutes of the November 10-11, 2022, meeting of the Board of Regents.