

**Official Minutes
Board of Regents
Meeting of the Full Board
September 8-9, 2022
Juneau, Alaska**

1. Individuals Present

Regents Present:

Sheri Buretta, Chair
Karen Perdue, Vice Chair
Dale Anderson, Secretary
Lisa Parker, Treasurer
John Davies
Darroll R. Hargraves
Mary K. Hughes
J. Scott Jepsen
Ralph Seekins
Kali Spencer

Pat Pitney, Chief Executive Officer and President, University of Alaska

Others Present:

Karen Carey, Chancellor, University of Alaska Southeast
Sean Parnell, Chancellor, University of Alaska Anchorage
Daniel M. White, Chancellor, University of Alaska Fairbanks
Matthew Cooper, General Counsel
Richard Schweigert, Interim Chief Financial Officer
Paul Layer, Vice President for Academics, Students and Research
Michelle Rizk, Vice President for University Relations and Chief Strategy, Planning and Budget Officer
Brandi Berg, Executive Officer, Board of Regents
Gökhan Karahan, Faculty Alliance Chair
Dawn Humenik, Staff Alliance Chair
Calvin Zuelow, Coalition of Student Leaders Vice Chair

2. Opening Items

A. Call to Order

Chair Buretta called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 8, 2022.

B. Adoption of Agenda

Note for the record: Regent Perdue reiterated a previous disclosure made during the board's June 2022 meeting regarding items on the consent agenda, items 10.B.1-2., both schematic design approvals, one for the Troth Yeddha' Indigenous Study Center and Park, and the other for the University of Alaska Fairbanks' (UAF) Rasmuson Library Student Success Center. On both, UAF has contracts with Bettisworth North Architecture and Planning (BNAP). Her spouse C.B. Bettisworth formerly owned BNAP, and although he has sold his interest in the firm to the firm's current principals, his name is still on the firm, and he continues as a part-time employee with the firm, in addition to serving on its board of directors without compensation, and leasing the firm's Fairbanks office space to the firm.

Chair Buretta said consistent with her determination made at the June 2022 meeting; she determined Regent Perdue should refrain from voting, deliberating, or participating on the consent agenda.

Chair Buretta temporarily handed the gavel to Vice Chair Perdue to make her own disclosure regarding Chugach Alaska Corporation and its board which she chairs. She said the Chugach Alaska Corporation is a potential partner with UAF in a concept paper submitted to the National Science Foundation for a potential grant application pertaining to the Blue Economy and Sustainable Technologies for the Maritime Environment. Chair Buretta said it does not require any action by the Board of Regents and is not on the agenda, and is not likely to be on future agendas, but she believed the disclosure is required nonetheless, under the Executive Branch Ethics Act.

Vice Chair Perdue determined since the grant is not on the agenda, there is no need for Chair Buretta to refrain from voting or participating in discussions for any part of this meeting. Should the potential grant ever come before the board on a future agenda, Vice Chair Perdue asked Chair Buretta to reiterate the disclosure at that point.

PASSED AS AMENDED (amendment noted by *)

"The Board of Regents adopts the agenda as amended. This motion is effective September 8, 2022."

Motion by Dale G Anderson, second by John Davies.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

Not Present at Vote: Darroll R Hargraves

C. Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting of June 2-3, 2022

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the minutes of its regular meeting of June 2-3, 2022 as presented. This motion is effective September 8, 2022."

Motion by Mary K Hughes, second by Lisa M Parker.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

Not Present at Vote: Darroll R Hargraves

3. Reports

A. Governance Reports

Calvin Zuelow, Coalition of Student Leaders vice chair, reported on the following topics: the coalition's retreat scheduled for October 2022, future planning for its spring 2023 Legislative Fly-in conference, reviewing the coalition's constitution and the possible change to its officer positions and stated he looks forward to working with the UA administration. (video timestamp 11:15)

Gökhan Karahan, Faculty Alliance chair, reported on the following topics: reviewed the six memos sent to President Pitney in August 2022 regarding Executive Administration Costs at the University of Alaska, Annual Reviews and Salary Surveys for Executive Administration, Analysis of Program Eliminations AY18-22, Severance or Change of Control Clauses for Executive Administrators, Full-time faculty losses AY21, AY22, and AY23 and Regents' Policy 10.03, the alliance's support for the Alaska Native Success Initiative and its sadness regarding Senior Advisor Brower's departures, the faculty initiative fund and the selection of UA's strategic priorities and initiatives. (video timestamp 15:27)

Dawn Humenik, Staff Alliance chair, thanked Chancellor Carey for hosting the meeting and UA staff for its meeting organization efforts and reported on the following topics: FY24 compensation, use of the staff development fund and appreciation for its second year of funding, the alliance's recent annual retreat and its goal-setting effort for the upcoming year, the importance of reconnecting and rebuilding relationships among staff at UA and the significant need to recognize staff are exhausted, student employees assisting staff are down, staff have low morale and are burned out. (video timestamp 23:08)

B. Chancellors' Reports

Chancellor Carey participated via Zoom and therefore deferred to Vice Chancellor Ciri, who provided an update on the following topics: enrollment, the search for a new chancellor (Chancellor Carey is retiring June 2023), the partnership with Sealaska Heritage Institute to support the revitalization of native languages, the Juneau campus' participation in the Alaska Ironman event; Southeast's involvement in mariculture, the sustained downturn in COVID during the past four weeks and UAS leadership's work with its governance groups. (video timestamp 36:22)

Chancellor Parnell thanked the regents for their volunteer service and President Pitney for her leadership team, introduced Deanne Woodard, vice chancellor for student affairs, Provost Runge, and Ryan Buchholdt, vice chancellor for administrative services and provided an update on the following topics: the 2022 Chancellor Choice Awardee Dawn Humenik, the campus kickoff events, athletics recap, community engagement and reconnecting with Anchorage businesses, the October 6, 2022 aviation showcase, high school teachers and counselors visiting UAA colleges and departments, recent federal grants awards and enrollment. (video timestamp 46:08)

Chancellor White provided an update on the following topics: fundraising priorities and a September 13, 2022, showcase event for the Troth Yeddha' Indigenous Studies Center, the display of new welcoming banners throughout campus, the Alaska Native Language Center's 50th anniversary, a \$19.7M National Science Foundation contract renewal at Toolik Field Station and shared the following facts, 40 North Star Middle College students on campus, 71 schools participating in the Alaska Advantage program; 400 fulltime veteran students enrolled this fall, 1020 residents in student housing, 1240 Nanook Pledge recipients, 6640 students enrolled this fall and 33,441 students enrolled in edX programs. (video timestamp 59:07)

C. President's Presentation and Report

President Pitney introduced Neil Steinigner, Governor Dunleavy's budget director, and asked him to address the board. (video timestamp 1:10:10)

***3.C.1. Neil Steinigner, Governor Dunleavy's Budget Director, Addressed the Board** (added)

Neil Steinigner, on behalf of the governor, said the state is working through the FY24 budget; introduced Kyle Scherrer, State of Alaska budget analyst, who is working in coordination with UA on its FY24 budget; said there are opportunities to collaborate with UA on shared missions and research, including oil and gas and drones; stated appreciation for the work UA does to invest in Alaska; noted FY24 is the first time the state will have a true projected surplus; is asking state agencies to prioritize its budget requests and to invest in key projects. (video timestamp 1:11:08)

President Pitney thanked the chancellors for their reports, noting new student enrollment is encouraging, introduced Ben Shier, UA's recently hired chief technology officer, and Richard Schweighert, UA's interim chief finance officer, thanked the Staff Make Students Count recipients and provided an update on the following topics: UA's athletic programs as part of its reputation building, the spectator's opportunity to share in UA's extra-curricular activities and a healthy sports rivalry between UAA and UAF, the faculty and staff governance chairs and vice chairs invitation to participate in UA's professional leadership coaching sessions to assist UA in a shared understanding of governance and noted partnerships with state and federal agencies, and tribal and community governments. (video timestamp 1:24:50)

Vice President Layer presented the "Staff Make Students Count" awards to Dory Straight, University of Alaska System Office; Kevin Lechtenberg, University of Alaska Anchorage; Minnie Naylor, University of Alaska Fairbanks, and Martin Carter, University of Alaska Southeast. (video timestamp 1:48:42)

4. First Review of Revisions to Regents' Policy 05.10. - Tuition and Student Fees

A. First Review of Revisions to Regents Policy 05.10. - Tuition and Student Fees

Vice President Layer reviewed the proposed revisions to Regents' Policy 05.10. - Tuition and Student Fees. Enactment of any policy changes or recommendations will be by separate motion before the full board. (video timestamp Davies 2:06:33)

5. Approval of FY23 Operating and Capital Budget Distribution Plans with Vetoes

A. Approval of FY23 Operating and Capital Budget Distribution Plans with Vetoes

President Pitney and Vice President Rizk presented a summary of the FY23 operating and capital budget distribution plans with vetoes. (video timestamp 2:27:41)

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the FY23 Operating Budget Distribution Plan with vetoes as presented. This motion is effective September 8, 2022."

Motion by John Davies, second by Lisa M Parker.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the FY23 Capital Budget Distribution Plan with vetoes as presented. This motion is effective September 8, 2022."

Motion by John Davies, second by Lisa M Parker.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

6. Budget and Tuition Discussion and First Review of FY24 Operating and Capital Budget Requests**A. UA Budget and Tuition Discussion**

Board members, President Pitney, and administrative staff discussed the UA budget including academic year 2024 tuition. (video timestamp 2:34:10)

B. First Review of FY24 Operating and Capital Budget Requests and the 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan**POLICY CITATION**

Regents' Policy 05.01.01.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

President Pitney and Vice President Rizk led a discussion on UA's proposed FY24 Operating and Capital Budgets and the 10-year Capital Improvement Plan. The operating budget discussion provided the board with considerations for the proposed FY24 operating budget. The capital budget presented the top priority projects for FY24 and an objective look at the short-, mid-, and long-term capital investment goals of the university. (video timestamp 2:34:10)

7. Government Relations Report**A. Government Relations Report**

State Relations Director Hutchison and Federal Relations Director Latini provided an update on government relations issues affecting the University of Alaska. (video timestamp 3:45:35)

8. Update on UA's Public Awareness Campaign**A. Update on UA's Public Awareness Campaign**

Associate Vice President Graham provided an update on UA's public awareness campaign. (video timestamp 4:14:35)

The three-year public awareness campaign is designed to enhance the overall reputation of the university system and educate Alaskans about the university's role in fueling the economy and providing Alaska with an educated and well-trained workforce. The presentation will focus on the campaign theme and elements, including paid digital advertising, social media, and community engagement concepts.

9. Committee Reports and New Business**A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

The committee received a presentation regarding dual enrollment measures, heard reports on enrollment, accreditation, program review, and academic teach-outs, received a notice of actions regarding academic programs and held an executive session. (video timestamp 4:50:00)

B. Audit and Finance Committee

The committee heard comments from the external auditor, received an update regarding a Title IX organizational change, heard an update on UA finances and the UAF utility systems P3, reviewed the UA System Office of Audit and

Consulting Services fiscal year 2022 annual report, and held an executive session. (video timestamp 4:55:58)

C. Facilities and Land Management Committee

In addition to the action items, the committee received updates on IT, monetizing capital assets, received the land management 4th quarter report, including the land grant initiative, capital project approvals – delegation of authority report, the UA Facilities Services Scorecard- Independent Review by Sightlines/Gordian report, the UAA Lake Otis and Providence Drive Property, the UAF High-Frequency Active Auroral Research Project and construction in progress reports and held an executive session. (video timestamp 5:14:44)

10. Consent Agenda

Note for the record: Regent Perdue did not participate in the vote for the Consent Agenda items.

A. Approval of Consent Agenda

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the consent agenda items 10.B.1-4. as presented. This motion is effective September 8, 2022."

Motion by Lisa M Parker, second by John Davies.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

Not Present at Vote: Karen Perdue

B. Facilities and Land Management Committee - Items from September 1, 2022

1. Schematic Design Approval for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Bartlett and Moore Hall Modernization and Renewal

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the schematic design approval request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Bartlett and Moore Hall Modernization & Renewal 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 \$25,000,000. This motion is effective September 8, 2022."

2. Schematic Design Approval for the UAF Rasmuson Library Student Success Center Project

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the schematic design approval request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Rasmuson Library Student Success Center 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 \$9,000,000. This motion is effective September 8, 2022."

3. Approval to Extend the Lease between DCS Tower Sub, LLC and the University of Alaska

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the extension of the lease between DCS Tower Sub, LLC and the University of Alaska as presented. This motion is effective September 8, 2022."

4. Approval of the University of Alaska Anchorage 2022 Master Plan

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the University of Alaska Anchorage 2022 Campus Master Plan as presented. This motion is effective September 8, 2022."

11. Approval of Academic Degree Recipients

A. Approval of Academic Degree Recipients

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the list of degree recipients for the summer and fall of 2021 and the spring of 2022. This motion is effective September 8, 2022."

Motion by Dale G Anderson, second by Mary K Hughes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Burette, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

POLICY CITATION

Regents' Policy 10.03.010.B. states: "The official lists of degree and certificate recipients will be established by the chancellors immediately after the official closing date of each term. The combined lists for the spring and preceding fall and summer terms will be transmitted by the president to the board after the spring session. This official list of degree and certificate recipients will be presented to the board for its approval at the next regularly scheduled meeting."

12. First Review of a Revision to Bylaws of the Board of Regents**A. First Review of a Revision to Bylaws of the Board of Regents****RECOMMENDATION**

Pursuant to Board of Regents' Bylaw 20.C. Amendment and Review of Bylaws, every five years, the university administration will report to the board on the status of the bylaws, making such recommendations as to revisions, additions and/or deletions as appear appropriate.

Executive Officer Berg, General Counsel Cooper, and university administration reviewed the Bylaws of the Board of Regents and suggested a revision to BL11.B. as noted in the redline mark-up.

BL11. Minutes; Public Inspection.

B. The approved minutes of the board and other records of public sessions of the board will be available for public inspection under reasonable rules during regular office hours. Minutes shall be retained indefinitely in **printed electronic** form.

Minutes are currently retained in printed form; however, there is the ability to maintain records via electronic means (BoardDocs and the board's website), which is a more efficient practice.

General Counsel Cooper reviewed the proposed revision and answered questions. This was a first reading of the proposed revision. (video timestamp 05:35:00)

Following this meeting, and pursuant to BL20.A., Secretary Anderson transmitted to the board a copy of the Bylaws of the Board of Regents for its further review and comment prior to approving the proposed revision, which will be presented to the board during its November 10-11, 2022 meeting.

13. Did You Know Presentation**A. Did You Know Presentation**

This segment of the Did You Know series took an in-depth look at dual enrollment programs across the UA system. Dual enrollment pathways, including Middle Colleges, the Alaska Advantage program, ANSEP Acceleration Academies, and other programs, provide a great benefit to Alaskans by improving both high school graduation rates and smoothing pathways to a successful college career -- 56 percent of middle college graduates go on to enroll in a UA degree program. As the state considers legislation introduced to expand middle college programs across the entire state, the University of Alaska system is satisfying a growing demand for dual enrollment programs by offering an increasing number of accessible options for every Alaskan. (video timestamp 05:57:21)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YrLR7OCh_SE

All "Did You Know" success stories can be found at <https://www.alaska.edu/news/did-you-know/>

***13.1 Senator Jesse Kiehl Addressed the Board (added)**

Senator Jesse Kiehl stated his support for UA; welcomed the board to Juneau; noted how deeply valued the university is to the local community and thanked the board for its service and dedication to education. (video timestamp 06:37:57)

14. Title IX Update and Review of Title IX Compliance Briefs and Metrics

A. Title IX Update and Review of Title IX Compliance Briefs and Metrics

Chief Audit Executive Pittman provided a Title IX update.

Chancellors Carey, Parnell, and White reviewed the Title IX Compliance Briefs and Metrics. (video timestamp 6:45:20)

15. UA Foundation Report

A. UA Foundation Report

University of Alaska Foundation President Burnett provided an update on university system development efforts and foundation activities. (video timestamp 07:03:40)

16. Discussion Regarding the Board of Regents' 2023 Meeting Schedule

A. Discussion Regarding the Board of Regents' 2023 Meeting Schedule

President Pitney and the board discussed the Board of Regents' 2023 meeting schedule. (September 8, video timestamp 05:35:35; September 9, video timestamp 07:10:20)

The current approved schedule is as follows.

2023	Location
January 13, 2023	Full Board Meeting - Anchorage
February 16-17, 2023 February 23-24, 2023	Committee Meetings - Zoom Conference Full Board Meeting - Anchorage
May 25-26, 2023 June 1, 2023 June 2, 2023	Committee Meetings - Zoom Conference Full Board Meeting - Fairbanks RETREAT - Fairbanks
August 31 - September 1, 2023 September 7-8, 2023	Committee Meetings - Zoom Conference Full Board Meeting - Juneau
November 2-3, 2023 November 9-10, 2023	Committee Meetings - Zoom Conference Full Board Meeting - Anchorage

***16.1 Approval of Revisions to the Board of Regents' 2023 Meeting Schedule**

(added)

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves a revision to the Board of Regents' 2023 Meeting Schedule, moving the February 16-17, 2023 Committee Meetings to February 23, 2023, changing the two-day full board meeting to a one-day meeting on February 24, 2023, and holding the committee and full board meetings in person in Anchorage. This motion is effective September 9, 2022."

Motion by Ralph Seekins, second by Mary K Hughes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

Voting in opposition: Karen Perdue

17. Corporate Resolution Approval

A. Approval of Revisions to the Industrial Security Resolution

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the Industrial Security Resolution as revised, to reflect the changes to principal officers at the University of Alaska and authorizes the chair and secretary of the board to sign the resolution. This motion is effective September 8, 2022."

Motion by John Davies, second by Lisa M Parker.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Kali Spencer

Not Present at Vote: Ralph Seekins

The president and selected members of the university administration are routinely designated by the Board of Regents to handle any duties and responsibilities relating to classified information in connection with contracts with the Department of Defense and other federal agencies. These individuals are given an extensive security screening and are the only members of the university administration to have access to classified information.

The university has received similar security clearances since the mid-1950s. Execution of the resolution means that regents and other members of the administration will not have access to the classified information and are not in a position to affect the handling of classified information, thus do not need to be processed through security clearance procedures. The resolution is identical to resolutions previously passed except for changes to the principal officers at the University of Alaska.

18. Executive Session**A. Executive Session****PASSED**

"The Board of Regents goes into executive session to discuss matters which could affect the reputation or character of a person or persons related to honorary degrees, meritorious service awards, and to the naming of a university classroom; matters that are required by law to be confidential regarding labor negotiations; and to receive legal advice. This motion is effective September 9, 2022."

Motion by Dale G Anderson, second by John Davies.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

The Board of Regents went into executive session at 10:38 a.m. and concluded an executive session at 12:05 p.m. Alaska Time in accordance with AS 44.62.310 to discuss matters which could affect the reputation or character of a person or persons related to honorary degrees, meritorious service awards, to the naming of a university classroom; matters that are required by law to be confidential regarding labor negotiations; and to receive legal advice. The session included members of the Board of Regents, President Pitney, General Counsel Cooper, and such other university staff members as the president designated and lasted 1 hour and 27 minutes.

19. Approval of Honorary Degrees and Meritorious Service Awards**A. Approval of Honorary Degrees and Meritorious Service Awards for Fall 2022 and Spring 2023****PASSED**

"The Board of Regents approves the list of nominees for honorary doctoral degrees as proposed for commencement exercises in the fall 2022 and spring of 2023, and authorizes Chancellors Parnell and White to invite the approved nominees and announce their acceptance. This motion is effective September 9, 2022."

Motion by John Davies, second by Ralph Seekins.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the list of nominees for meritorious service awards as proposed. This motion is effective September 9, 2022."

Motion by Karen Perdue, second by Dale G Anderson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

POLICY CITATION

Regents' Policy 10.03.020.A.

Honorary degrees may be conferred upon approval of the Board of Regents.

A. Criteria

The criterion for individuals to receive an honorary degree from the University of Alaska is evidence of a significant and lasting contribution to the university, to the State of Alaska, or to the individual's discipline or profession.

Regents' Policy 10.03.030.A.

Meritorious service awards may be conferred upon approval of the Board of Regents.

A. Criteria

The criterion for individuals to receive a meritorious service award from an MAU is evidence of significant public, academic, volunteer or philanthropic service to the MAU or one of its community campuses, or to an Alaska community.

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION

Recommendations submitted by the University of Alaska Anchorage and the University of Alaska Fairbanks for recipients of honorary degrees and meritorious service awards were sent under separate cover for Board of Regents' review prior to the September 8-9, 2022 board meeting.

20. Approval of Naming a Classroom at the University of Alaska Anchorage

A. Approval of Naming a Classroom at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the naming of a classroom at the University of Alaska Anchorage as the John E. Havelock Simulation Courtroom as presented. This motion is effective September 9, 2022."

Motion by Lisa M Parker, second by Dale G Anderson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

POLICY CITATION

In accordance with Regents' Policy 05.12.080, official naming of all "significant" buildings, building subcomponents such as wings, additions, auditoriums, and libraries, streets, parks, recreational areas, plazas and similar facilities or sites will be approved by the board.

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION

The Board of Regents was asked to approve the naming of a classroom at the University of Alaska Anchorage. The proposed name was sent to the Board of Regents under separate cover for discussion during executive session.

21. Adjourn

A. Adjourn

Chair Buretta adjourned the meeting at 12:11 p.m. on Friday, September 9, 2022.

22. Public Testimony, from August 29, 2022

Allie McClure, University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA) gymnastics team member, provided an update on the team's fundraising progress and its community activities.

Cole Nash, UAA cross country team member, thanked the board for supporting university athletics and invited the board to the weekend track team event in Anchorage hosted by UAA.

Ariana Desouza, UAA gymnastics team member, provided an update on the team's performance and academic achievements.

Jessica Johnson, UAA gymnastics team member, noted UAA's open access enrollment; reviewed the team's diverse membership, including members from Canada and El Salvador; stated seven new freshmen joined the team; shared her positive student experience and invited the board to UAA for the team's home competitions.

Montana Fairbairn, UAA gymnastics team member, stated the team completed 40 volunteer hours within the Anchorage community before the beginning of the semester and shared how the team is partnering with the Anchorage business community.

Ashlyn Espinosa, Associated Students of University of Alaska Fairbanks (ASUAF) president, shared her positive experience with the UAF North Star Middle College, noting she graduated high school in 2021 with 37 college credits and thanked the board for its support of the middle college.

Marie-Sophie Boggsch, UAA gymnastics coach, noted heartfelt comments about the team's success regarding its fundraising campaign; stated a KTUU reporter recently recognized the team; mentioned the upcoming campus kickoff events and thanked the board for its support.

Ryan Tilbury, Raven homeschool advisory counselor, spoke in support of the university's Alaska Advantage program, noting it's a wonderful program offering college classes at no cost to high school students; stated the program is a strong bridge to college for both local and rural students and thanked the board for its support of the program.

Ashley Carrick, University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) adjunct faculty member and Alaska House District 35 candidate, stated she's a fierce advocate for UAF; encouraged the board and the administration to work with United Academics (UNAC) faculty union; noted faculty working conditions are student learning conditions and said student, faculty, and staff needs should come first when the university makes decisions.

Megan Rosendall, Raven homeschool advisory counselor, spoke in support of the university's Alaska Advantage program, noting the program sets students up for success and shared how the program has prepared Raven students for the college experience.

Julie Stricker, UAF Institute of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Extension public information officer, provided an update on its staff, department activities, and collaboration within the community and shared recent 4H activities.

Michael Ciri, Juneau resident, highlighted Alaska's high school completion problem; shared his personal story regarding obtaining his GED and his educational experience at the University of Alaska Southeast; stated he and his wife established the GED achiever scholarship at the UA Foundation and asked the board to share the word about the scholarship with its colleagues.

Jackie Gengler, university staff member and Fairbanks resident, spoke in support of the university's dual enrollment program; shared her experience with assisting young adults about choosing whether or not to go to college; said the modernization of the university's BANNER platform is greatly needed and noted support for President Pitney.

Courtney Carothers, UAF College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences professor, thanked the board for its service; stated a one percent pay raise in the past five years is unsatisfactory and 67 percent below the national norms; said inequities were identified a few years ago but have not been honored; noted this fall semester is her 14th at the university and said there is faculty frustration and disappointment regarding the UNAC negotiations.

Julie Maier, UAF professor, thanked the board for offering the one-hour public testimony call-in; said there is a lack of understanding between the faculty and the administration regarding union negotiations; stated raises are well overdue and reviewed items within the contract regarding tenure, freedom of speech and academic freedom.

Abel But Ito, UAF professor and UNAC president, thanked the board and the president for their service; is looking forward to the board meeting in Juneau to discuss the unfair labor practice; said the university violated the state law and requested the board move public testimony back into its meetings so callers can look members in the eye while testifying.

Pierce Brooks, ASUAF vice president, shared his middle college experience at the Mat-Su Campus and noted the advantages middle college provides for high school students throughout the state.

Lance Howe, UAA professor, addressed the issue of inflation regarding union negotiations, noting the June CPI is up 23 percent; stated wages for faculty have increased one percent; said it is increasingly difficult to keep faculty when the raises do not keep up and noted the board has had difficult decisions these past five years but must help faculty deal with rising inflation.