

**Official Minutes  
Board of Regents  
Special Meeting of the Full Board  
January 17, 2024  
Zoom Conference**

## **1. Individuals Present and Opening Items**

### Regents Present:

Ralph Seekins, Chair  
Karen Perdue, Vice Chair  
Dale Anderson, Secretary  
Scott Jepsen, Treasurer  
Stephen Colligan  
Seth Church  
Joey Crum  
Paula Harrison  
Mary K. Hughes  
Dennis L. Michel  
Albiona Selimi

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

### Others Present:

Aparna Palmer, Chancellor, University of Alaska Southeast  
Sean Parnell, Chancellor, University of Alaska Anchorage  
Daniel M. White, Chancellor, University of Alaska Fairbanks  
Andy Harrington, Associate General Counsel  
Luke Fulp, Chief Finance 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  
Jennifer Ward, Faculty Alliance Chair

## **A. Call to Order**

Chair Seekins called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. on Wednesday, January 17, 2024.

## **B. Adoption of Agenda**

### **PASSED**

**"The Board of Regents adopts the agenda as presented. This motion is effective January 17, 2024."**

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Seth Church, Stephen Colligan, Joey Crum, Paula Harrison, Mary K Hughes, Scott Jepsen, Dennis L Michel, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins

Not Present at Vote: Albiona Selimi

## **2. Discussion with Mr. Mitchell E. Daniels**

### **A. Discussion with Mr. Mitchell E. Daniels**

Board members and President Pitney had a discussion with Mr. Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr., President Emeritus, Purdue University; Chairman of the Purdue Research Foundation Board; Distinguished Scholar and Senior Advisor at Liberty Fund; and Former Governor of Indiana.

- Improving Retention and Graduation:

- o What are the key things that have been done to increase enrollment and retention in Indiana?

- Working with Industry on Economic Diversification of the State;
  - o What has been the key to Purdue's successful industry partnerships?
- Purdue Moves-Lessons learned;
  - o How important has branding (e.g., Purdue Moves) been to the University?
  - o How did Purdue Moves measure and benchmark success?
  - o How have these initiatives translated to the other Purdue University System institutions?
- Alaska and UA have challenges that Indiana does not - small population, the university requires significant state funding, no mega-donors, lack of industrial base, UA serves both the community college, including its rural campuses, and University functions - what can UA learn from the successes at Purdue?

### **3. UA Foundation Orientation**

#### A. UA Foundation Orientation

University of Alaska Foundation President Burnett provided an overview of the foundation.

### **4. Adjourn**

#### A. Adjourn

Chair Seekins adjourned the meeting at 11:08 a.m. on Wednesday, January 17, 2024.