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Minutes

Faculty Alliance

Friday, November 9, 2018

2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

[Zoom](#)

Audio: 1-646-876-9923; Meeting ID 320 968 080

Members

Sine Anahita, President-Elect, UAF Faculty Senate

Heather Batchelder, President-Elect, UAS Faculty Senate

Donie Bret-Harte, President, UAF Faculty Senate

Megan Buzby, Past-President, UAS Faculty Senate

Sharon Chamard, Past-President, UAA Faculty Senate

Scott Downing, 1st Vice President, UAA Faculty Senate

Chris Fallen, Past-President, UAF Faculty Senate; Chair, Faculty Alliance

Robin Gilcrist, President, UAS Faculty Senate

Maria Williams, President, UAA Faculty Senate; Vice Chair, Faculty Alliance

Staff

Morgan Dufseth, Executive Officer, System Governance

1. Roll and Call to Order

The meeting came to order at 2:36 p.m. Quorum was met.

2. Review of Agenda

Members reviewed the agenda. Chris noted he added a new item regarding the Faculty Initiative Fund. There were no objections to the agenda as presented.

3. Approve [October 26 Minutes](#)

No objections to the minutes as presented.

4. Public and Guest Comments

None given.

5. Chair's Report

- a. Update: November 8-9 BOR meeting - John Davies will serve as chair for 2019. The regents passed the new policy on reports of misconduct as it was presented. Students, faculty and staff representatives gave feedback and requested a timeframe that better reflected the amount of time students spend at the university. Regents also heard from consultants with [NCHEMS](#) regarding Board authority and best processes.
- b. OpEd Letters: Chair report he sent out the op-ed letters this Wednesday and heard back from the Ketchikan Daily News which will publish it, the Homers News which opted not to publish, the Alaska Business Monitor which will publish next week, and the Alaska Journal of Commerce who will also publish the letter shortly.

6. Senate Reports

- a. UAS - Met on Nov. 2. UAS held its Power and Privilege Symposium this week - Matthew Shepard's parents attended as did [Oscar Vasquez](#). Curriculum committee met - moved forward several occupational endorsements. Also wrote a resolution regarding the new policy on reports of misconduct. Concerns about developing dual enrollment further without adequate faculty involvement.
- b. UAA - see:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1h3PxRzEH-0LEsyjLJSLGORF2Brquf7i5Kx5eSjLwUfA/edit?usp=sharing>
- c. UAF - Met on Nov. 5. Passed two bylaw changes - accreditation review and committee and ad hoc committee to review student bereavement policy. UAF strategic planning process was introduced by administrators. Strategic enrollment planning initiative is also underway and plan to hear from the VC for Students in December. Two guests attended--the staff council president discussed a recent staff morale survey, and then VP Layer who discussed service and maintaining flexibility with service assignments as well as the possibility of setting a lower default for service. Time with VP Layer also included discussion of adjuncts (should use of adjuncts be reduced? If so, should adjuncts be converted to tenure track positions?) and mentoring for postdocs who move into research faculty roles. Also recent announcement that F&A rates are also going to be increased, possibly from 50% to 63%, although the final rate has not yet been determined.

7. New Business

- a. GERM Committee planning discussion (See worksheet in the [Scorecard](#))

Members reviewed current list of possible committee members and discussed the best way forward. Agreed to invite the three chairs of the individual GER committees to attend an upcoming Faculty Alliance meeting.

Action item CTF: send invites to GER&C committee chairs for Nov 30 FA meeting

- b. Alaska College of Education
 - Morgan will invite Atwater to attend Jan 11 (or 25)**
 - i. Meaning and effects of the name
 - ii. Review dates for Dean Atwater invitation
 - c. Return of the [FIF RFP](#)

Chair noted VP Layer was supportive of most of the proposed changes, however, there were a few he items he requested additional review/edits. Members reviewed the RFP again and made several changes including how many projects on which a faculty member can serve (PI on one and co-PI on one) and when they will receive salary, as well as how much can be paid to collaborators not affiliated with the UA system.
 - d. Delegate next op-ed letter to UAS (!)
8. Ongoing Business - postponed to Nov. 30
- a. Follow-up on Discussion with Keli Hite McGee, Statewide Chief Human Resources Officer
 - b. Progress on Regent Outreach (Coffee Homework) - [Scorecard](#)
 - c. Faculty Morale Survey - Sharon
 - d. Review of faculty nominees for system councils - nominations for three faculty representatives for each council.
 - i. [current faculty reps](#)
 - ii. [full council membership](#)
 - iii. See council worksheet in the [Scorecard](#)
 - e. [Motion to amend](#): Faculty Alliance [Constitution and Bylaws Constitution and Bylaws with suggested revisions](#)
 - f. Faculty Overload Benefit Rates - AC update
 - g. Title IX Faculty Committees: volunteers needed from each university
 - h. Faculty Regent - Sharon
 - i. Op-ed: Three Universities or One University? - Maria
 - i. [Draft letter](#)
 - j. [Proposed revision to University Regulation](#) on staff and faculty emeritus -
 - k. [Memo from FA re: proposed revision to delayed misconduct reports](#)
9. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

Important Dates

2018

November

- 1 - BOR Academic & Student Affairs Committee meeting, 8:30-11:30 via video
- 2 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
- 2 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting
- 5 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)
- 8 - BOR Public Gathering, 4:30-6:00 location UAF GI Globe Room
- 8-9 - BOR - Fairbanks
- 9 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 Meet/audio
- 15 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 16 - Academic Council meeting (3-5 via audio)
- 20 - Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 30 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 Meet/audio; VP Layer confirmed

December

- 3 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)
- 7 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
- 7 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting
- 8 - Last Day of Instruction
- 11 - Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 13 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 14 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio; VP Layer confirmed
- 21 - Academic Council meeting (3-5 via audio)

2019

January

- 10 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 11 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio
- 14 - First Day of Instruction
- 15 - Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 10 - BOR Academic & Student Affairs Committee meeting, 8:30-11:30 via video
- 17 - BOR Public Gathering, 4:30-6:00 location tbd
- 17-18 - BOR meeting - Anchorage
- 18 - Academic Council; 3:00 – 5:00
- 25 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio

February

- 1 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
- 1 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting
- 4 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)
- 7- UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 8 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio
- 12 - Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 15 - Academic Council; 3:00 – 5:00
- 21 - BOR Academic & Student Affairs Committee meeting, 8:30-11:30 via video
- 22 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio
- 28 - BOR meeting - Anchorage

March

- 1 - BOR meeting - Anchorage
- 1 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting. 2:30-4:30
- 1 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting
- 4 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)
- 7 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 8 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio
- 12 - Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 12-15 - SPRING BREAK
- 15 - Academic Council, 3:00 – 5:00
- 22 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio

April

- 4- UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 5 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
- 5 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting
- 8 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)
- 16 - Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 19 - Academic Council, 3:00 – 5:00
- 26 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio
- 29 - Last Day of Instruction

May

- 2 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 3 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
- 3 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting
- 6 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)
- 10 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio
- 11 - Faculty Contracts End
- 14 - Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 17 - Academic Council, 3:00 – 5:00

30 - BOR Academic & Student Affairs Committee meeting, 8:30-11:30 via video

June

6-7 - BOR - Fairbanks

13 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video

21 - Academic Council meeting; 3:00 - 5:00