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## Agenda

### **Faculty Alliance**

February 14, 2020

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

Zoom: <https://alaska.zoom.us/j/9074508042>

Audio: 1-669-900-6833

Meeting ID: 907 450 8042

### Members

xMaria Williams, Past President, UAA Faculty Senate; Chair, Faculty Alliance  
xHeather Batchelder, President, UAS Faculty Senate, Vice Chair, Faculty Alliance  
Sine Anahita, President, UAF Faculty Senate, ON LEAVE  
xOrion Lawlor, UAF Representative for President Anahita  
xDonie Bret-Harte, Past-President, UAF Faculty Senate  
xScott Downing, President, UAA Faculty Senate  
xRobin Gilcrist, Past-President, UAS Faculty Senate  
xJak Maier, President-Elect, UAF Faculty Senate  
David Noon, President-Elect UAS Faculty Senate  
xKelly Smith, 1st Vice President, UAA Faculty Senate

### Staff

Morgan Dufseth, Executive Officer, System Governance

### Guests:

Miles Baker, Associate Vice President for Government Relations (4:00 p.m.)  
Diane Kardash, Assistant Professor, UAA School of Education  
Paul Layer, Vice President for Academics, Students and Research (4:00 p.m.)

#### 1. Roll and Call to Order

The meeting came to order at 2:32 p.m.

2. Adopt Agenda  
Donie moved to approve, Robin seconded. No objections.
3. Approve [January 10 Minutes](#)  
Kelly moved to approve, Scott seconded. No objections.
4. Chair's Report  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/18XHcmvlwbp-bvTfliozgMFh\\_FY7z9d6PnP0JHV\\_CyfUY/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/18XHcmvlwbp-bvTfliozgMFh_FY7z9d6PnP0JHV_CyfUY/edit?usp=sharing)  
BOR meets next week, Feb. 20-21 in Fairbanks. Members discussed issues surrounding the BOR Governance Committee policy audit as well as issues with the functionality of the Alaska College of Education.
5. Spring Retreat
  - a. Location: Juneau
  - b. Dates: March 27 and 28 - please send your preferred flights to Morgan **asap** to get good prices on flights.
  - c. Topics: review of the chancellors' recommendations following the expedited Academic Reviews ([UAF review process and deadlines](#); special UAF senate meeting March 16) Timeline here:  
<https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/track?uri=urn%3Aaaid%3Ascds%3AUS%3A1c3fa544-7c1d-48cf-a659-2b8eed79e1ac>
  - d. DRAFT Agenda outline for retreat:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HMPxpinKZWP5vIktvzsHiA2roQJOxT9N7vX8v6F6KyY/edit?usp=sharing>
  - e. Travel: Morgan can assist if your local travel admin is unavailable (travelers can also initiate their own travel at [alaska.edu/concur/](http://alaska.edu/concur/)) - Please send Morgan preferred travel times as soon as possible
  - f. Legislative visits: Miles suggests trying for AM appointments since a number of legislators depart Juneau early Friday afternoon. Miles agreed to meet with the Faculty Alliance again prior to its March retreat to help discuss advocacy strategies for any meetings with legislators.
6. BOR Governance Committee Review/Update and discussion; BOR Academic and Student Affairs review/update [issues on Alaska College of Education]
7. Guest Comments
  - a. VP Layer @ 4:10pm

Has been focused on academic program reviews and is looking forward to updates on those. At the BOR Audit Committee, he heard an update on fees across UA. Dean Atwater and VP Layer gave updates on the Alaska College of Education at the BOR Academic and Student Affairs Committee and plan to ask for feedback on how UA can execute teacher education more effectively across the state. Was in Juneau and spoke with the Senate Education Committee and the House Finance Committee and gave updates on teacher education and recruitment strategies.

b. Miles Baker @ 3:45pm (see retreat discussion)

## 8. Faculty Senate Updates

a. [UAF](#)

b. UAS

c. [UAA](#)

i. [Administrative Review](#)

ii. [Program Review](#)

iii. Scott noted the UAA eBoard discussed faculty evaluation reviews in connection to the bargaining agreement; concerns that they can't have open peer review meetings while maintaining confidentiality for the candidates; asked how UAF conducted their peer reviews. UAF members noted that at present peer committees decide on whether they will be open or closed; she thinks many opt for closed meetings to allow for more frank conversations. The university-wide meeting is generally closed but they are not sure how many faculty attend that (the candidate can attend for the introduction of their files and to answer any questions at the start and then the meeting is closed). At UAF there have been discussions about keeping it open and the UAF Faculty Senate passes a resolution each year in support of open peer review meetings. Robin noted at UAS it is a closed process.

## 9. System Governance Council - Feb. 10 Update

## 10. Ongoing Business

a. CCC proposed changes -

i. [UAA Inter-University Course Sharing: 2 Proposals](#)

1. [Current Schedule](#)

ii. [UAF Inter-University Course Sharing: 2 Proposals](#)

1. [Current Schedule](#)

iii. [UAS Inter-University Course Sharing: 2 Proposals](#)

1. [Current Schedule](#)

- b. Issues on the Alaska College of Education
- c. Administrative Reviews. What is happening at each university?

11. New Business

- a. OER - has DOODLE been set up? Possible [OER/AER committee charge here](#). - Still looking for more faculty from UAA and UAS to balance out the membership
- b. Statewide Administrative Review? Maria would like to include this at future meetings for discussion, including the March retreat
- c. Propose to highlight Faculty Research at upcoming BOR meetings

12. Public Comments (if any)

13. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 4:31 p.m. without objection.