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Minutes

Faculty Alliance

Friday, Jan. 26, 2018

2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

[Google Hangouts](#)

Audio only: 1-855-280-1855

1. Call to Order

Members:

Donie Bret-Hart, President-Elect, UAF Faculty Senate *joined at 3pm*

Megan Buzby, President, UAS Faculty Senate

Sharon Chamard, President, UAA Faculty Senate

Chris Fallen, President, UAF Faculty Senate *joined at 3pm*

David Fitzgerald, Past President, UAA Faculty Senate,

Robin Gilcrist, President-Elect, UAS Faculty Senate

Lisa Hoferkamp, Past President, UAS Faculty Senate, Chair, Faculty Alliance

Orion Lawlor, Past President, UAF Faculty Senate *joined at 3pm*

Maria Williams, 1st Vice President, UAA Faculty Senate

Staff:

Morgan Dufseth, Executive Officer, System Governance

Guests:

Kara Axx, Chair, UA Staff Alliance

Kolene James, Vice Chair, UA Staff Alliance

2. Adoption of Agenda

3. Approval of Minutes – FA Retreat

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qzCxxhQ3r2zceJJYJip2kGBTdCMUxy8a3pt3N5dWqx2A/edit>

4. Public or Guest Comments

5. Report from Chair

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zjKx5uCAD15Ccpd6X_JBD0AsCT10KE4Bc4aKFK2MNBQ/edit

Lisa gave a brief review of her report and asked for questions.

6. Ongoing Business

6.1. Faculty regent

Chris gave a review of his understanding of the history of the issue and noted he didn't think there had been an agreement between the Staff Alliance and the Faculty Alliance to work together. Kara noted she had thought it would look better for staff and faculty to work together, rather than to have competing bill; however, noted staff would begin contacting legislators to identify supports of a staff regent.

6.2. GER Retreat 2/10/18 – 2/11/18 - Lisa provided an update on the agenda for the retreat.

6.3. Morale Survey – Sharon Chamard noted she was still working on it; could be delayed if run she needs to run it through IRB.

6.4. [FIF RFP](#) – Lisa noted that VP Layer is in the process of reviewing the changes the Alliance made at their January retreat.

6.5. Double-counting courses – Senate feedback

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RR3USN73O9zDrg73at09Tyqs_0oQ8QEsYkMB3Bkqa8M/edit

FS presidents will gather feedback from their senates and the registrars. Donie noted that advising staff do not support this change at UAF but the registrar was on board. Megan noted there was some question about using a graduate-level course to satisfy a bachelor's requirement, that if the student went back to get a master's degree, the graduate course couldn't but counted toward that master's. Orion said it shouldn't matter and it could be re-counted several times. Sharon noted she hadn't talked to the registrar yet but noted she will try to get it on the March agenda and will ask for objections prior to the meeting.

6.6. UA Leadership Summit – Donie, Maria, Megan, Sharon

Maria noted the workshop goal was to get our leaders to share the same message with the community and constituents to get them to help support UA's budget request. There was a keynote speaker from Washington State University who spoke on ways to get external support for university initiatives. Megan noted there was an emphasis on a shared/common message and prioritizing goals.

6.7. Revisions to UA Alcohol & Marijuana Policy

See [University of Alaska Alcohol and Marijuana Policies andpdf](#) on shared drive

Sharon noted this policy would not impact faculty in any way, unless they also held a CDL.

6.8. [Information Resources Policy](#) – resolved?

Password sharing - does this affect UA students with disabilities - director of UAA Disability Services thinks there should be a workaround.

ACTION: Lisa will follow up with UAA Disability Services to see what kind of workaround would be most effective.

6.9. Video conferencing equipment RFI

Current service contract ends September 2018. Faculty, staff and students are sought that can identify important/needed features of videoconferencing RFI

Was this discussed at the 12/18 IT Council meeting?

Chris reported the faculty he has talked to do not use the UA-supported videoconferencing and use free options they have selected on their own.

6.10. Banner upgrade

Banner HR 9x User Adoption Project: <http://alaska.edu/oit/banner-hr-9x/>

Banner FinAid 9x User Adoption Project: <http://www.alaska.edu/oit/banner-finaid/>

Banner Student 9x User Adoption Project: <http://www.alaska.edu/oit/banner-student-9x/>

See also three “Banner 9” pdf files in FA folder of Google shared drive

FA members noted they thought most faculty did not use Banner; Donie noted she preferred to ask staff members to get the information from Banner. Megan suggested asking for ways they, as faculty, could identify any issues with the upgrade from an external perspective (not within Banner itself).

ACTION: Lisa asked that the above information be shared with their constituencies.

6.11. Letters

- To SW – faculty involvement w/ revisions of UA Title IX policy
- To public – [utility of three universities](#),
- To BoR – UA presidential compensation and review process
- To GC – conflict of interest re UA President expressing public opinion about proposed changes to BOR composition BOR sets the UA President’s salary, annual bonus, and terms of employment - FA members decided this letter was UNNECESSARY

7. New Business

7.1. Credit for prior learning, database of UA educational products (e.g. OECs)

Lisa discussed with VP Layer. President Johnsen is focused on credit for prior learning, and would like to create a database on UA education products. Members discussed the merits of credit for prior learning and noted there were policies already in place at each of the universities. Sharon noted there might be impacts to accreditation which should be looked at before expanding offerings. Maria noted it might be worthwhile to look at what other institutions do.

7.2. Revisions to the Academic Council Charter

See

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MLyP8R_XXEdttrurxOVAeEwDQHMSo_SXQYX9m8z-sII/edit

Members reviewed briefly and agreed to discuss at the next meeting.

7.3. UA Teacher Education Council charter

See

https://drive.google.com/open?id=1eVEVgFS0Szy26yXvK6MY0Oo_PSeGf2ez

Members noted they had a hard time making comments on the distributed draft.

7.4. Residency requirements for students participating in courses shared across universities

Orion noted there might be potential issues for students in joint or shared programs.

8. Report

8.1. Faculty Senates (current Presidents) - postponed to next meeting; suggested to only have once per month

8.2. UA Rally - Megan gave an update on her efforts organizing a UA Rally in Juneau on Feb. 2; advertising it as supportive of all three universities

8.3. VPASA search – Chris

9. Comments, concerns, and announcements

9.1 Is it possible to move the 2/9/18 meeting from 2:30 – 4:30 to 3:00 to 5:00?

Members opted to keep the regular time but agreed Chris would run the meeting until Lisa can sign in.

10. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

Important Dates

- February
- 1 – Summit Council, 1:00-4:30
 - 2 – UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
 - 2 – UAS Faculty Senate meeting
 - 5 – UAF Faculty Senate meeting #229 (1-3 pm via A/V)
 - 6 – IT Council, 10:30 – 12:00
 - 9 – Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Hangout/audio (Johnsen@3:30)
 - 15 – System Governance Council, 2:00-3:30
 - 16 – Academic Council, 3:00-5:00
 - 21 – FA Chair w/ VPASA, 1:30-2:30
 - 22 – ASA Committee
 - 23 – Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Hangout/audio
- March
- 1 & 2 – BOR in Fairbanks
 - 2 – UAA Faculty Senate meeting. 2:30-4:30

2 – UAS Faculty Senate meeting
5 – UAF Faculty Senate meeting #230 (1-3 pm via A/V)
8 – Summit Council, 1:00 – 4:30
9 – Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Hangout/audio (Johnsen@3:30)
12-16 – SPRING BREAK
20 – IT Council, 10:30-12:00
21 – FA Chair w/ VPASA, 1:30-2:30
22 – Academic Council, 3:00-5:00
23 – Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Hangout/audio

April

2 – UAF Faculty Senate meeting #231 (1-3 pm via A/V)
5 – Summit Council, 1:00-4:30
6 – UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
6 – UAS Faculty Senate meeting
13-14 – ACE-NASH Leadership Summit
18 – FA Chair w/ VPASA, 1:30-2:30
20 – Academic Council, 3:00-5:00
24 – IT Council, 10:30-12:00
27 – Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Hangout/audio

May

4 – UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
4 – UAS Faculty Senate meeting
7 – UAF Faculty Senate meeting #232 (1-3 pm via A/V)
11 – Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Hangout/audio (Johnsen@3:30)
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