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Agenda

Faculty Alliance

Friday, Feb 2, 2018

2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

[Google Hangouts](#)

1. Call to Order

Members:

Donie Bret-Hart, President-Elect, UAF Faculty Senate

Megan Buzby, President, UAS Faculty Senate

Sharon Chamard, President, UAA Faculty Senate

Chris Fallen, President, UAF Faculty Senate

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

Maria Williams, 1st Vice President, UAA Faculty Senate

Staff:

Morgan Dufseth, Executive Officer, System Governance

Guests:

James R. Johnsen, UA President

2. Adoption of Agenda

3. Approval of Minutes – FA Retreat & January 26

4. Public or Guest Comments:

5. Report from Chair

6. Questions for President Johnsen

Do you feel the universities' current policies on Credit for Prior Learning are adequate?

If not, what about these policies do you feel faculty should discuss?

Do you distinguish prior learning from prior experience? If so, how?

7. Ongoing Business

7.1. Faculty regent update

7.2. GER Retreat 2/10/18 – 2/11/18

7.3. Morale Survey – Sharon Chamard

7.4. FIF RFP – Approval of VPASA edits

For VPASA response see

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1JsPc9kOh_M_LKc3HmCeeNpbZzp_itNI4pcu6EKmlm5w/edit#

7.5. Double-counting courses – Senate feedback.

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

7.6. [Information Resources Policy](#)

FA members report to group on discussions with affected students

7.7. Approval of letters

President's contract renewal

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1YVt4ncl6YqkLRdQV5JmHbsMH-K7x70FRKcM4dGdt-YE/edit>

3 universities vs 1 University

7.8. Disability Services

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

7.9. Revisions to the Academic Council Charter

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MLyP8R_XXEdttrurxOVAeEwDOHMSoSXQYX9m8z-sII/edit

7.10. UA Teacher Education Council charter

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

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

8. New Business

8.1. Categorizing Business GERs: Social Science GERs?

8.2. MW or MWF classes - Alignment

Current FA stance on aligning course blocks: Course blocks are a faculty issue and any changes to them must be faculty derived. Faculty recognize that for particular departments (e.g. computer science and engineering) course sharing would alleviate a shortage of faculty. The UA faculty also recognize the importance of addressing the issues that come with course sharing, however, UA faculty are acutely aware that mandating course sharing and alignment of course blocks will adversely affect all faculty and students across the system and will create numerous additional academic issues. The FA reminds everyone that course block length is part of instruction and thus an academic issue. Changing it would have pedagogical and accreditation implications. The FA strongly encourages administration to support the efforts of departments who pursue course sharing and their efforts to develop shared courses based on input from all affected faculty.

8.3.

9. Reports
 - 9.1. Faculty Senates (current Presidents)
 - 9.2. VPASA search – Chris
 - 9.3. IT Council - Lisa, Chris, Dave
 - Computing platform (Mac vs PC) - establish baseline based on Educause data and Gartner Higher Ed metrics

10. Comments, concerns, and announcements
 - 10.1. Video conferencing equipment RFI
 - Reminder – instruct university IT committees to consult with faculty and provide feedback to SWIT council.*
 - 10.2. Cash-in of FTO
 - FY18 supplemental bill requesting use of FY 18 funds to support cash-in see http://www.akleg.gov/basis/Bill/Detail/30?Root=HB%20321#tab6_4
 - see 2018-01-17 UNAC Memo FTO Cash In.pdf on Google/shared with me/Faculty Alliance
 - 10.3. Web Accessibility Policy
 - KK says a reasonable accommodation shall be determined by affected student working with Disability Services.

11. Adjourn

Important Dates

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| February | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 – UAF Faculty Senate meeting #231 (1-3 pm via A/V) 5 – Summit Council, 1:00-4:30 |

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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
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7 – UAF Faculty Senate meeting #232 (1-3 pm via A/V)
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