Minutes
Staff Alliance
Tuesday, July 7, 2020
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Zoom: https://alaska.zoom.us/j/9074508042
Audio: 1-699-900-6833
Meeting ID: 907 450 8042
(Please mute unless speaking.)

Voting Members:
Mathew Mund, President, UAF Staff Council; Chair, Staff Alliance
Kate Govaars, Vice President, UAS Staff Council
Lauren Hartman, Vice President, SW Administration Assembly
Ronnie Houchin, Vice President, UAF Staff Council
Dawn Humenik, Co-President, UAA Staff Council
Eric Lingle, President, UAS Staff Council
Tania Rowe, Co-President, UAA Staff Council
Josh Watts, President, SW Administration Assembly

Staff:
Morgan Dufseth, Executive Officer, System Governance

Guests:
Linda Baschky, Project Manager, OIT
Rob Cardelli, President, Peak Performance Technologies

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

2. Adopt Agenda

3. Approve June 16 Minutes

4. Guest Discussion - Linda Baschky and Rob Cardelli - Digital Transformation Readiness Assessment Interviews with the Regents
Hired to look at challenges around technology at UA - they are focused on how tech interacts the our specific day jobs; have already interviewed chancellors and CFO, will interview the regents; plan to make specific recommendations; are casting a wide net as part of this assessment; wants to give every team the opportunity to vocalize what works, what doesn’t, wish list items related to tech; want all groups to review their report to ensure it is accurate; has hear a lot of pain points across the system; wants to hear what staff governance does; also trying to find and document that pain points have been identified but improvements have not been implemented; they want to interview Mathew and a representative from each university and SW; they want to know if there have been issues of asking for improvements but not hearing back on their complaints/suggestions; have a parallel team looking at EAR system (Banner) to get into the core of the software to identify specific problems; want to know what would make our days better (fewer systems to log into, better equipment, more efficient software, etc.)

5. Chair’s Report  
Mathew Mund  
Noted JHCC voted to extend benefits related to COVID-19; moved to a new pharmacy plan that went into effect on July 1 -- please share any concerns you hear with the JHCC; Mathew reported he also met with VP Layer and Chair Buretta on June 29 to hear staff concerns -- Mathew noted he suggested more transparency;

6. Staff Council Reports  
6.1. UAA - will meet this Thursday to help orient new members and plan their August retreat  
6.2. UAF - see Call to Action letter  
6.3. UAS - held elections - new president and secretary; advocated for Provost Carey to serve as interim chancellor when Rick Caulfield retired; advocated for staff involvement in the UAS merger study; advocating for not reopening in the fall to ensure the safety of the UAS community  
6.4. SAA - Planning for upcoming elections and employee awards

7. New Business  
7.1. Selection of Interim President - Feedback, suggestions, or concerns  
7.1.1. Proposed BOR Search Process  
7.1.2. Staff Alliance feedback  
7.2. Search for Permanent President  
7.2.1. Staff governance involvement  
7.3. New Title IX Guidance  
7.4. Vice Chair for July  
7.5. July 9 Board of Regents’ Meeting - agenda forthcoming
8. Ongoing Business
   8.1. Staff Commitment to Excellence
   8.2. Work-from-home - suggestions for future guidelines
      8.2.1. Questions from CHRO
      8.2.2. Staff Alliance input
   8.3. Annual Retreat
      8.3.1. Late July or early August (depending on who is selected to serve as interim president)
      8.3.2. Broken into 2-3 Zoom meetings (orientation, leadership, goal setting)

9. Roundtable discussion

10. Agenda Items for August Meeting

11. Adjourn