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Smoke-free/Tobacco-free campus discussion

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LaNora:

Please ask each governance group to take up the discussion of whether UA should go smoke-free or tobacco-free and to share their views across groups. The fall retreats would be a good starting point to raise this issue and perhaps interact among groups.

The University of Alaska administration is exploring the possibility of having smoke- or tobacco-free campuses. No decisions have been made. Governance groups that include staff, faculty and students must be consulted first and the idea thoroughly examined. Since student groups don't return and become active until the fall, that's likely when the engagement will begin in earnest.

A group of students brought the issue to the Board of Regents' at the February 2013 board meeting, urging the board to adopt such a policy. Several students who spoke to the board at the June 2013 meeting spoke against such a policy being adopted.

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