Coalition of Student Leaders

Resolution 2017-01
In Opposition of the President’s Proposal to Consolidate to One College of Education

Whereas: The Coalition of Student Leaders recognizes the unique academic and programmatic excellence offered each at UAA, UAF, and UAS; and

Whereas: The Coalition of Student Leaders is concerned that the time required to modify the UAF College of Education may impede the school’s ability to receive programmatic accreditation (NCATE or CAEF) before opening; and

Whereas: The Coalition of Student Leaders is concerned the President’s proposal leaves students unclear as to which faculty, degrees, and program administrators (assistant deans, etc.) will be located where; and

Whereas: The Coalition of Student Leaders is concerned that the President’s proposal leaves students unclear as to what cost savings may be actualized by the proposal; and

Whereas: The Coalition of Student Leaders is concerned that the President’s proposal was released at the end of the week after Board of Regents public testimony and less than a week before the Board of Regents’ meetings.

Therefore be it resolved: The Coalition of Student Leaders opposes the proposal to consolidate the UAA, UAF, and UAS Schools of Education under one located at UAF; and

Be it further resolved: The Coalition of Student Leaders requests that should the Board of Regents adopt the proposal, the motion be amended to include a cost benefit analysis conducted by University of Alaska Statewide to determine cost savings to be actualized by the proposal; and
Be it further resolved: The Coalition of Student Leaders requests that further proposed changes under Strategic Pathways be released no less than one week in advance of public testimony to the Board of Regents.

Adopted unanimously by the Coalition of Student Leaders the 9th day of November 2016.

Colby Freel, Chair