

System Office Staff Council Minutes

Monday, April 1, 2024

1:00 pm-3:00pm

Representatives:

Genevieve Bright (2023-2025) FY24 President

Monique Musick (2023-2024) FY24 Vice President

Austin Somaduroff (2022-2024) FY24 Secretary

Andrew Aquino (2023-2024)

Rebecca Catlin (2023-2025)

-Scott Fronzuto (2023-2024)

Lauren Hartman (2023-2025)

-Chelsey Okonek (2022-2024)

Aimee Sudbeck (2023-2025)

Alternates:

Vacant

Governance Support:

Noel Romanovsky

Mary Burnham

Sharon Dayton

Guests:

Ben Shier, CITO

Bill Anker

Paul Layer, VP ASR

Bryan Hoppough, Human Resources senior business partner

Agenda:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
 - a. Review and Adopt [Agenda](#)
 - b. [Minutes 3.4.2024](#)
2. Guest Comments
 - a. Ben Shier (CITO)
 - i. Note: recordings of the Thought leaders Forum presentation is also available on the Faculty Alliance Website:
<https://www.alaska.edu/governance/faculty-alliance/>
 - b. Bill Anker:
 - i. (note slides from presentation)
 - c. Paul Layer:
 - i. Follow up on AI - academic integrity and use of AI

- ii. Town Hall - good crowd; slide show for those who couldn't attend? Six Sigma/PIT training?
 - iii. Policy and Regulation - ten on file, need review and possible updating
 - d. Bryan Hoppough
3. [Public Comment](#)
- a. No public comment received.
4. New Business
- a. Staff Council Retreat - timing/topics
 - i. Send doodle poll for availability
 - ii. Topics: continue IA discussion? Goals for coming year - following survey+
 - b. Staff Make Students Count
 - i. Extended deadline: was March 18, now April 4 - HOWEVER - Awards ceremony is now in May
<https://www.alaska.edu/governance/staff-alliance/staff-make-students-count/>
 - c. Staff Development Day
 - i. Planning Under Way
 - 1. Gathering and Scheduling Guests
 - 2. Planning Schedule and Catering
 - 3. Thank you everyone for your [recommendations and offers to help!](#)
 - d. Longevity and Outstanding Service Awards: April 26, 2024
 - i. Plan to attend in person or on zoom - Anchorage or Fairbanks.
 - e. Faculty Alliance Thought Leaders Forum – [AI and the universities](#) March 28 - 29
 - i. Note - recordings of 20 minute sessions are worth the watch
5. Ongoing Business
- a. [System Office Intranet](#) - new alaska.edu/System leadership overview video - contains meeting highlights plus announcements, deadline reminders, and fun stuff happening.
 - i. [BOB site](#)
 - ii. Info boards/signage: digital directory, current ones are incorrect, rather than analogue
 - b. Institutional Compliance Program
 - i. [Compliance Chats](#)
 - 1. The latest series is covering cybersecurity.
 - ii. [UA Compliance Leadership for Supervisors Training](#)
6. Reports
- a. President's Report
 - i. Monthly meeting with VP Paul Layer took place March 11, 2024
 - 1. Feb. meeting canceled;
 - 2. Updates from Paul:

- a.
- ii. Staff Alliance (Genevieve, Monique)
 - 1. March 22 [Minutes](#) and [Recording](#) Passcode: Rq.4xe%+
 - a. Discussed the results of the previous JHCC meeting/vote with CHRO Dahl, and Compensation Committee updates - which will be discussed further down in the agenda
 - b. System Governance Council met as well - finding topics that impact the majority of the groups engaged (Staff, Faculty, Students); previous topics included smoking on campus - may include minors on campus and other whole-system issues
- b. SOSC Committees
 - i. Morale/[Events](#) Committee (Aimee, Andrew, Genevieve, Rebecca)
 - 1. Date set for April 26, 2024
 - a. Review committee for Outstanding nominees - meet and discuss tomorrow
 - ii. Awards Committee (Aimee & Genevieve)
 - 1. No update at this time
 - iii. Nominations Committee (Lauren)
 - 1. No update at this time
 - iv. Staff Development Day (Austin, Scott)
 - 1. [Session recordings](#)
 - 2.
- c. Staff Alliance Committees
 - i. [Compensation Committee](#) (Monique)
 - 1. Renamed - Ad Hoc Staff Total Compensation Advisory Committee
 - 2. Updates since March meeting
 - a. Discussion of processes/rationales
 - 3. Evaluation and discussion of past staff requests
 - a. Spreadsheet of items asked since 2018 - similarities? Root issue? Training needs?
 - b. Developing final requests while budgets are under discussion (part of the process, not after budget has been decided)
 - ii. [Staff Development Fund](#) (Lauren)
 - 1. Last deadline for \$500 professional development funding is TODAY
 - 2. Class fee scholarships for summer semester dependent on leftover funding
 - 3. LinkedIn Learning Licenses (now managed by HR):
 - a. [LinkedIn Learning info page](#)
 - iii. Joint Healthcare Committee (Monique)

1. Overview of recent meeting: response to recommendation of 6:4 vote to eliminate wellness rebate/points program – RFP for new vendor
 - a. Rebate will shift to an incentive: 82% paid by UA; 18% by employee plan; → rate changes but not universal
 - b. No longer ‘paying for own benefit’ but will continue to use a metric (like points) in a new and improved way
 - iv. Staff Healthcare Committee (Monique)
 1. Overview of JHCC meeting
 - d. Other Committees
 - i. Employee Experience (formerly known as Staff Engagement) Survey (Lauren) - renamed Employee Feedback and Assessment Committee
 1. Town Hall Recap - Staff Development Day opportunity?
 2. Post link to presentation on *INTRANET SITE*
 - ii. UA Accessibility Workgroup (Scott)
 1. Working to become an officially recognized committee
 - a. Group meets every two weeks - connect with Scott for an Invite.
 2. No updates at this time.
7. General Updates and Reminders
 - a. Events and New Updates:
 - i. Upcoming BOR Meetings: June
 - ii. Recent meetings: Feb. 20, 2024
 - b. News and General Info Links:
 - i. [Capitol Report](#)
 - ii. [UA News Center](#)
 - iii. [System Office Bulletin](#) (replaced by System Office Intranet)
 - iv. [Upcoming HR Trainings](#)
8. Local Issues
 - a. Anchorage
 - i. UAGD is great success!
 - b. Fairbanks
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9. Department Updates, Issues, and Kudos
 - a. Starting Thursday, Scott will be providing basic & advanced training sessions for Zoom (Tuesday and Thursday drop-ins): [Zoom Trainings - Spring 2024](#)
 - b.

10. Agenda items for next meeting (May):

- a. Follow-up/recap of Staff Development Day and Longevity Awards
- b. Update on Banner upgrade - self service and other topics; Michelle Pope guest speaker?

11. Closing Comments

- a.

12. Adjourn

Resources:

- [SOSC Meeting Recordings](#)
- [SOSC FY23 Goals](#)
- [Constitution and bylaws](#)
- [Regents' policy and university regulation](#)
 - [03.01 - Faculty, Staff and Student Governance](#)
- [System Office org chart](#)
- [Governance basics presentation](#)
- [Chairing a meeting](#)
- [System Office staff numbers](#)
- [UA News Center](#)
- [System Office Bulletin](#)
- [SO Intranet](#)