Regents Present:
Patricia Jacobson, Chair
Jyotsna Heckman, Vice Chair
Kenneth Fisher, Secretary
Michael Powers, Treasurer
Dale Anderson
Timothy Brady
Fuller A. Cowell (attended via audio)
Courtney Enright
Mary K. Hughes
Gloria O’Neill
Kirk Wickersham

Patrick K. Gamble, Chief Executive Officer and President, University of Alaska

Others Present:
Tom Case, Chancellor, University of Alaska Anchorage
John Pugh, Chancellor, University of Alaska Southeast
Brian Rogers, Chancellor, University of Alaska Fairbanks
Michael Hostina, General Counsel
Carla Beam, Vice President for University Relations
Ashok Roy, Vice President of Finance & Administration and Chief Financial Officer
Dana Thomas, Vice President for Academic Affairs
Kit Duke, Chief Facilities Officer & AVP for Facilities and Land Management
Karl Kowalski, Chief Information Technology Officer
Erik Seastedt, Chief Human Resources Officer
Michelle Rizk, Associate Vice President, Budget
Kate Ripley, Director, Public Affairs
Brandi Berg, Executive Officer, Board of Regents
Barbara Nilsen, Assistant, Board of Regents

I. Call to Order

Chair Jacobson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 20, 2014.
II. Adoption of Agenda

Regent Fisher moved, seconded by Regent Enright and passed with Regents Anderson, Brady, Cowell, Enright, Fisher, Heckman, Hughes, Powers, Wickersham and Jacobson voting in favor that:

PASSED AS AMENDED (amendment noted by *)
“The Board of Regents adopts the agenda as presented.

I. Call to Order
II. Adoption of Agenda
III. Approval of Minutes
IV. President’s Report
V. Governance Report
VI. Public Testimony
VII. Approval of FY14 Supplemental Operating Budget Request
VIII. Approval of FY15 Amended Budget Request
IX. Presentation on WICHE State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement
X. Presentation on Arctic Activities at the University of Alaska Fairbanks
XI. Human Resources Report
XII. Development and Foundation Report
XIII. Presentation on Alaska Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration
XIV. Planning and Development Committee
   A. Discussion Regarding Board Governance
XV. Approval of an Additional Board Member for Seawolf Holdings, LLC
XVI. Shaping Alaska’s Future Discussion
XVII. Presentation on Commercialization Activities at the University of Alaska Anchorage and the University of Alaska Fairbanks
XVIII. Presentation on the Alaska Science and Technology Plan and an Approval of a Resolution of Support for the Plan
XIX. Consent Agenda
   A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee
      1. Approval of Revision to Regents’ Policy 10.02.040 Related to the Merger of the University of Alaska Fairbanks School of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences and the Cooperative Extension Service
      *2. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.010 Role of Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity (removed from agenda)
      *3. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.020 Sponsored Projects Submittal and Acceptance (removed from agenda)
      *4. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.070 Human Subjects in Research (removed from agenda)
5. Approval of a Master of Music in Performance and the Deletion of a Master of Arts in Music at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

B. Facilities and Land Management Committee

1. Schematic Design Approval for the University of Alaska Anchorage Health Campus Pedestrian Bridge
2. Project Change Request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Fine Arts Vapor Barrier Design and Installation
4. Approval of the 2014 South Mitkof and Wrangell Narrows East Timber Development and Disposal Plans

XX. New Business and Committee Reports

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee
B. Audit Committee
C. Facilities and Land Management Committee

XXI. Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education Report
XXII. UA Athletics Report
XXIII. Executive Session
XXIV. Future Agenda Items
XXV. Board of Regents' Comments
XXVI. Adjourn

This motion is effective February 20, 2014.”

III. Approval of Minutes

Regent Powers moved, seconded by Regent Wickersham and passed with Regents Anderson, Brady, Cowell, Enright, Fisher, Heckman, Hughes, Powers, Wickersham and Jacobson voting in favor that:

PASSED
"The Board of Regents approves the minutes of its regular meeting of December 12-13, 2013 as presented. This motion is effective February 20, 2014."

Regent Heckman moved, seconded by Regent Enright and passed with Regents Anderson, Brady, Cowell, Enright, Fisher, Heckman, Hughes, Powers, Wickersham and Jacobson voting in favor that:

PASSED
"The Board of Regents approves the minutes of its board retreat of January 22-23, 2014 as presented. This motion is effective February 20, 2014."
IV. President’s Report

President Gamble stated trips to Juneau regarding interaction with the Legislature about the UA budget requests have begun; noted the most recent trip was well received where the capital budget was presented to the senate finance committee; stated UA has many advocates in the Legislature; said one subject of discussion was how can UA earn more revenue; said it is not feasible to cover the budget deficit with an increase in tuition; noted the opportunity arose to offer and discuss enacting the Alaska Sovereign Education Fund similar to the resource development fund used by the state of Texas to fund higher education; stated if enacted a fractional portion of future gas and oil contracts could go into the sovereign fund and supplement capital projects including maintenance, repair and renovation at UA; said the UAA and UAF presentations before the senate finance committee regarding research, unmanned aircraft systems, commercialization efforts and an extensive heat and power plant discussion were well received and stated the students were great spokespersons for the university while in Juneau visiting with members of the Legislature.

V. Governance Report

Robert Boeckmann, Faculty Alliance chair, noted a consensus has been reached regarding a university system set of principles and guidelines for the distance delivered natural science labs; stated continued concern about the Statewide Academic Council’s proposed minimum standards for baccalaureate degrees; said faculty reviewed and provided feedback regarding the October draft document of Shaping Alaska’s Future (SAF) issues and effects statements; thanked LaNora Tolman, System Governance executive officer, for her support and assistance in transmitting the SAF responses to Vice President Thomas; stated the recent Summit Team email did not affirmatively recognize the role of faculty governance in the decision-making process related to academic matters; noted a letter has been drafted to the Summit Team requesting a more robust acknowledgement of faculty governance in that aspect of the Summit Team’s work; applauds the efforts of the Summit Team and the coordination between the three universities; considers the Summit Team a very effective approach to the issues facing UA and noted progress continues regarding a universal student satisfaction survey, the general education learning outcomes and student services related to student success.

Carey Brown, Staff Alliance chair, noted the Staff Make Students Count award deadline is approaching and nominations are being accepted and reviewed; said Anne Sakamoto, Statewide Training and Development director, attended the February 11, 2014 Staff Alliance meeting to provide a training session regarding SkillSoft learning resources; stated the alliance is an advocate for using e-learning for certification, skill building and other professional development opportunities; noted the SkillSoft contract expires in January 2015; therefore, the alliance is working with other UA governance groups to promote the learning opportunity at the three universities; said the collective staff governance feedback regarding SAF has been provided to Vice President Thomas; stated appreciation to President Gamble and Vice President Thomas for offering the opportunity for staff to participate in the SAF process; noted preparation for the annual retreat in
March is underway where the focus will be strategic planning for the upcoming academic year; welcomed the gesture from the Summit Team allowing governance to participate in providing feedback on topics that impact the three universities and stated more reference and visual aid material is being displayed at the campuses to attract additional participation in the governance process.

Shauna Thornton, Coalition of Student Leaders speaker, noted spring semester is a busy time for students; stated during the January retreat students prepared for the Juneau Legislative retreat; said while in Juneau students attended a luncheon with legislators, a finance committee meeting and had the opportunity to see President Gamble and Vice President Rizk in action in front of the Legislature; noted the visit to Juneau allowed students to use their presentation skills and was a good opportunity to practice for similar situations in their future careers; stated unified support for the three UA priorities: high demand programs, the engineering buildings and the UAF heat and power plant; thanked Chancellor Pugh and his staff for organizing the logistics that made the Juneau trip successful; thanked LaNora Tolman, System Governance executive officer, and Joseph Altman, System Governance coordinator, for advising and chaperoning during the Juneau trip; noted students actively participated in providing feedback for SAF and stated training is being sought for the student government advisors to further assist students in the governance roles.

VI. Public Testimony

Neal Brown spoke about his involvement in and support of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI); noted he teaches several science classes at the institute inviting UAF undergraduate students to assist in the OLLI classroom, which provides an opportunity for younger and older students to interact in the learning process.

Vincent Valenti, UAF engineering honor student, thanked the board for approving the construction of the engineering facility; noted students are excited about the new building; stated he leads student tours of the facility and spoke in support of the engineering building.

Deb Jones, State 4-H Program leader, spoke in support of the 4-H program; noted the program at UAF is first class and benefits youth, their families and communities across the state; said many of the activities are funded by the natural resources funds and noted appreciation for continued support from the university.

Michaela Rice, 4-H alumni and 4-H leader, spoke about her interest in 4-H; noted the various travel opportunities provided by the program; stated the program taught her to be a leader and a business owner by providing information regarding communication, marketing, record-keeping and time management and stated she encourages students to get involved in the 4-H program.
Mara Bacsujlaky, Cooperative Extension Service 4-H community development agent, noted she is the 4-H outreach agent for rural communities and is currently working with students in the village of Tanana.

Natawnee Wiehl, 4-H student from Tanana, noted the efforts of 4-H in her village; said the 4-H adults spend time with students, teach skills such as self-defense lessons, crocheting and leadership and said she is thankful to have these adults in Tanana.

Lily Rice, 4-H student since 2005, noted her experience began with livestock; stated she is currently researching genetics in the pig population within Alaska; said she has also been involved in the youth in government program and traveled to Washington D.C. and noted she encourages other students to get involved in 4-H.

Candi Dierenfield, Cooperative Extension Service 4-H youth development agent, noted she works with military families involved in the 4-H program; stated she is currently teaching crime scene investigation, DNA collection and providing other science experiment opportunities for students; said there are 4-H clubs on each military installation in Alaska and noted most of her work is with Title I schools.

Jenifer McBeath, UAF professor, spoke briefly about her seed potato project and then introduced her new arctic agriculture project.

Dave Norton spoke about his involvement, teaching experience in and support of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI); noted he is a former board member for OLLI and stated OLLI offers fun, engaging and enlightening opportunities for students.

Jim Dixon, UAF Alumni Association president, noted Joe Hayes, UAF alumni director, is retiring; said the association will be actively involved in the change of leadership transition; stated the two important spring alumni activities include awarding six scholarships to UAF students and the annual trip to Juneau to advocate for the university budget.

Tina Holland, university staff member, alumni, adjunct faculty and a Statewide Administration Assembly member, thanked the board for the opportunity to comment; noted Shaping Alaska’s Future (SAF) is near and dear to her; has observed this is the first time that university strategic planning has been opened to individuals outside of the executive management team; said individuals that are not familiar with such planning do not understand that the effect statements are a “what” not a “how” and shared that the community-at-large needs to have an understanding of what exactly the SAF process is, in order to better understand the overall process.

Azara Mohammadi, UAF publicist, introduced the UAF Chancellor’s Student Food Committee (CSFC) members and spoke in favor of promoting the procurement of Alaskan food on the UAF campus with the ultimate goal of 20 percent local by 2020.
Alyssa Englert, UAF College of Engineering and Mines staff member and graduate student, noted the goals of the UAF Chancellor’s Student Food Committee (CSFC) include: providing students with the food they want, promoting local economy, fostering a sustainable Alaskan food system and increasing the transparency and communication with UAF Dining Services and students.

Erik Williams, UAF civil engineering student, noted since the 2013 fall semester the CSFC has made the following accomplishments: established contact and learned from UAF Dining Services that the greatest challenge in sourcing Alaskan food is the great disparity between the growing season and the business cycle; said the committee hosted the first ever student organized Food Day, sent a committee member to two food related conferences and was awarded funding from UAF’s People’s Endowment Fund to bring Bryce Wrigley, owner of the Alaskan Flour Company, to Fairbanks.

Thomas Osterman, UAF civil engineering student, noted the CSFC future plans include: an Alaskan Barley cooking workshop at the Fairbanks Community Food Bank, two presentations from Bryce Wrigley discussing socio-economic strategies for implementing the concepts behind local food systems and sending committee member Azara Mohammadi to speak at the Sustainable Agricultural conference.

Sophia Walling-Bell, UAF student, noted the CSFC conducted research regarding the meal plans available to students; said the results indicated students spend a significant amount of money supplementing their required meal plan to get food from outside sources in order to get foods they prefer; noted 55.74 percent of students who took the survey responded in agreement to the statement “local food is important” and stated UAF Dining Services is negotiating with a farmer in Delta Junction to purchase Alaskan grown potatoes for student’s enjoyment.

Lisa Strecker, UAF student, stated the CSFC is administered by students; noted the work of the committee is done during a student’s free time and said students are not earning credit for their efforts.

Matthew Hall, Fairbanks Airport Police and Fire Department employee, spoke in support of the fire science program and the baccalaureate degree in emergency management at UAF and asked the board to support the addition of an indoor emergency training facility in Fairbanks similar to the one in Anchorage.

VII. Approval of FY14 Supplemental Operating Budget Request

Regent Powers moved, seconded by Regent Heckman and passed with Regents Anderson, Brady, Enright, Fisher, Heckman, Hughes, Powers, Wickersham and Jacobson voting in favor that:
PASSED
"The Board of Regents approves the supplemental FY14 operating budget request to offset increases in fuel and utility costs. This motion is effective February 20, 2014."

POLICY CITATION
Regents' Policy 05.01.010.A. – Budget Policy, states: "The budget of the university represents an annual operating plan stated in fiscal terms. All budgetary requests shall be adopted by the board prior to submittal to the Office of the Governor or the legislature."

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION
The University of Alaska (UA) requested FY14 supplemental funding in the amount of $1.6 million to help offset increases in fuel and utility costs. UA continues to look for ways to reduce utility costs across the system, but with an aging power plant in Fairbanks and electrical charge increases in Anchorage, the annual costs continue to grow.

UA’s projected FY14 utility funding shortfall is $6.3 million, with an annual fuel allocation of $4.7 million; UA expects to need an additional $1.6 million to cover the cost increase.

VIII. Approval of FY15 Amended Budget Request

Regent Hughes moved, seconded by Regent Powers and passed with Regents Anderson, Brady, Enright, Heckman, Hughes, Powers, Wickersham and Jacobson voting in favor and Regent Fisher voting in opposition that:

PASSED
"The Board of Regents approves the amended FY15 operating budget request to include funding for the United Academics (UNAC) represented faculty and base funding for utility cost increases. This motion is effective February 20, 2014."

POLICY CITATION
Regents' Policy 05.01.010.A. – Budget Policy, states: "The budget of the university represents an annual operating plan stated in fiscal terms. All budgetary requests shall be adopted by the board prior to submittal to the Office of the Governor or the legislature."

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION
Funding of $3.4 million ($1.7 million general funds and $1.7 million university receipts) will cover the FY15 compensation increases necessary under the agreement with the United Academics (UNAC) represented faculty. The agreement between UA and UNAC includes a two percent (2%) salary increase across-the-board to eligible faculty members and a lump sum payment of $750 per eligible unit member for FY15.

Funding of $3.4 million in general funds will replace FY14 supplemental funding and fund the FY15 projected utility cost increases not covered by the fuel trigger mechanism and other non-state funds. UA requested a FY14 supplemental of $1.6 million to cover
projected utility cost increases not covered by the fuel trigger mechanism and an FY15 amendment to the fuel and utility cost distribution to maintain the FY14 funding level. In FY15, the $18 million funding cap was reduced to $15 million, reducing the potential amount available to UA by $780 thousand. To maintain the FY14 funding level, UA requested the distribution percentage be increased to 13% (up from 10%) plus or minus three percent (maximum of 16% available).

IX. Presentation on WICHE State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement

Carol Gering, executive director of eLearning and Distance Education at the University of Alaska Fairbanks and Rhonda M. Epper, director of the WICHE SARA program, gave a presentation on the WICHE State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA). Information regarding this agreement is included in Addendum 1.

X. Presentation on Arctic Activities at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

Chancellor Rogers led a presentation on University of Alaska Fairbanks activities in the Arctic.

Other presenters included:
Aldona Jonaitis, Director, University of Alaska Museum of the North (UAMN)
Patrick Druckenmiller, Curator of Earth Sciences, Geology and Geophysics-UAMN
Scott Rupp, Director, Scenarios Network for Alaska & Arctic Planning (SNAP)
Nettie La Belle-Hamer, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research & ASF Director
Cam Carlson, Director, Center for Study of Security, Hazards, Response and Preparedness
Harry Bader, Director, Center for Island, Maritime and Extreme Environment Security
Bob McCoy, Director, Geophysical Institute
Cathy Cahill, Professor of Chemistry and Congressional Fellow
Mark Myers, Vice Chancellor for Research

XI. Human Resources Report

Chief Human Resources Officer Seastedt updated the board regarding human resources issues.

XII. Development and Foundation Report

Vice President Beam provided an update on University of Alaska Foundation and University System Development goals and efforts.
XIII. **Presentation on Alaska Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration**

Deputy Director Bailey, Alaska Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration (ACUASI), gave a presentation regarding the program.

XIV. **Planning and Development Committee**

A. **Discussion Regarding Board Governance**

Regent Hughes led a discussion on board governance regarding best practices for nominating board officers. The discussion included ideas on how best to organize a nomination committee: assigning two to three regents or possibly allowing the planning and development committee to take the lead. This was an information and discussion item; no action was taken.

XV. **Approval of an Additional Board Member for Seawolf Holdings, LLC**

Regent O’Neill moved, seconded by Regent Fisher and passed with Regents Anderson, Brady, Cowell, Enright, Fisher, Heckman, Hughes, O’Neill, Powers, Wickersham and Jacobson voting in favor that:

**PASSED**

“The Board of Regents approves an additional board member for Seawolf Holdings, LLC. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

**RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION**

Chancellor Case and Vice Provost Wisniewski, president of Seawolf Holdings, LLC, submitted under separate cover a nominee for Board of Regents’ review.

XVI. **Shaping Alaska’s Future Discussion**

Vice President Thomas provided an update on Shaping Alaska’s Future (SAF); noted the UA governance groups, the Alaska Native Studies Council and several individuals have provided feedback; stated the UA Foundation will review and provide input after their February 25, 2014 meeting, which will end the input sessions allowing UA to move forward and begin finalizing the effect statements seeing that all opinions are represented; said the intent is to bring a final version before the board in April along with draft metrics related to SAF; noted the input from groups has been fine-tuning the current statements not major suggestions or revisions; recognized the Chancellor’s Cabinet for revising and refining the effect statements and the statewide staff for working together to reconcile the statements.

President Gamble said the Strategic Direction Initiative (SDI) has been in place since the summer of 2011 and UA is at a transition point from inputs to outputs, which has developed into the SAF effect statements; recognized Paula Donson, associate vice
president of academic affairs and strategic direction, and Chas St. George, strategic direction coordinator, for the wonderful job thus far noting they will continue to assist in the output phase; said the SDI phase has withered away; noted the shaping phase now begins to take form with the refinement of metrics, assessing a culture change and moving UA in a new direction with continued dialogue and collaboration at each and every stage.

XVII. Presentation on Commercialization Activities at the University of Alaska Anchorage and the University of Alaska Fairbanks

Addendums 5 & 6

Vice Provost Wisniewski at UAA and Director White of the Office of Intellectual Property and Commercialization at UAF presented information on commercialization activities at their respective campuses.

XVIII. Presentation on the Alaska Science and Technology Plan and an Approval of a Resolution of Support for the Plan

Addendums 7 & 8

Lt. Governor Treadwell and Vice President Thomas provided information on the Alaska Science and Technology Plan.

Regent Cowell moved, seconded by Regent Enright and passed with Regents Anderson, Brady, Cowell, Enright, Fisher, Heckman, Hughes, O’Neill, Powers, Wickersham and Jacobson voting in favor that:

PASSED
“The Board of Regents approves a resolution of support for the Alaska Science and Technology Plan as presented. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

WHEREAS, The Alaska State Committee for Research (SCoR) is an advisory body created to assist the University of Alaska in focusing and enhancing its capacity for research and development through a partnership of UA colleges and universities, to promote research and development in and between universities and industry, to promote economic development in Alaska, and to provide oversight and guidance to the Alaska EPSCoR program; and

WHEREAS, The Alaska State Committee for Research (SCoR) has developed the Alaska Science and Technology Plan, “To Build a Fire”, as a road map for the future of Alaska by collaborative effort between the state, the University of Alaska, federal agencies, communities and the private sector.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents strongly supports the Alaska Science and Technology Plan developed by the Alaska State Committee for Research (SCoR); and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the president of the University of Alaska should take whatever actions he determines appropriate to further the Alaska Science and Technology Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed, with a copy to be incorporated in the official minutes of the February 20-21, 2014, meeting of the University of Alaska Board of Regents.

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION
The Alaska Science and Technology Plan is consistent with the University’s Academic Master Plan and works to support and foster research throughout the state. The plan presents a road map for improving Alaskan science and technology and requires a collaborative effort between the state, the University of Alaska, federal agencies, communities, and the private sector.

XIX. Consent Agenda

Regent Fisher moved, seconded by Regent Enright and passed with Regents Anderson, Brady, Cowell, Enright, Fisher, Heckman, Hughes, O’Neill, Powers, Wickersham and Jacobson voting in favor that:

PASSED AS AMENDED
“The Board of Regents approves the consent agenda as presented. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

1. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.02.040 Related to the Merger of the University of Alaska Fairbanks School of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences and the Cooperative Extension Service

PASSED
“The Board of Regents approves the merger of the University of Alaska Fairbanks School of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences and the Cooperative Extension Service to form the School of Natural Resources and Extension. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

*2. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.010—Role of Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity Reference 3

This item was removed from the agenda due to time constraints during the Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting.
*3. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.020 — Sponsored Project Submittal and Acceptance

This item was removed from the agenda due to time constraints during the Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting.

*4. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 10.07.070 — Human Subjects in Research

This item was removed from the agenda due to time constraints during the Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting.

5. Approval of a Master of Music in Performance and the Deletion of a Master of Arts in Music at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED
“The Board of Regents approves a Master of Music in Performance at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

PASSED
“The Board of Regents approves the deletion of a Master of Arts in Music at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

B. Facilities and Land Management Committee

1. Schematic Design Approval for the University of Alaska Anchorage Health Campus Pedestrian Bridge

PASSED
“The Board of Regents approves the schematic design approval request for the University of Alaska Anchorage Health Campus Pedestrian Bridge, as presented in compliance with the campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to complete construction bid documents to bid and award a contract within the approved budget, and to proceed to completion of project construction not to exceed a total project cost of $6,165,730. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

2. Project Change Request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Fine Arts Vapor Barrier Design and Installation

PASSED
“The Board of Regents approves the project change request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Fine Arts Complex Vapor Barrier Design and Installation as presented in compliance with the campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to release a budget surplus of
$2.3 million of the original total project cost of $5.6 million resulting in a final total project cost of $3.3 million. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

3. Formal Project Approval for University of Alaska Southeast Juneau Campus Modifications 2014-2016 Reference 9

PASSED
“The Board of Regents approves the formal project approval request for the University of Alaska Southeast Campus Modifications 2014-2016 as presented in compliance with the approved campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to proceed through schematic design not to exceed a total project cost of $12,771,000. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

4. Approval of the 2014 South Mitkof and Wrangell Narrows East Timber Development and Disposal Plans Reference 10

PASSED
“The Board of Regents approves the 2014 South Mitkof and Wrangell Narrows East Timber Development and Disposal Plans and authorizes the university administration to proceed with the competitive timber sale as set forth in the timber development and disposal plans. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

XX. New Business and Committee Reports

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

In addition to action items, the committee received presentations on student recruitment, the WICHE Interstate Passport Initiative, the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute and heard reports on the National Center for Teacher Quality and SB241.

B. Audit Committee

The committee heard reports on audit status and the Education Trust of Alaska semi-annual report and received a presentation on the UA Identity Theft Prevention program.

C. Facilities and Land Management Committee

1. Formal Project Approval for University of Alaska Anchorage 1901 Bragaw Tenant Improvements Reference 11
The Facilities and Land Management Committee approved the following motion:

**PASSED**

“The Facilities and Land Management Committee approves the formal project approval request for University of Alaska Anchorage 1901 Bragaw Tenant Improvements as presented in compliance with the approved campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to proceed through schematic design not to exceed a total project cost of $3,850,000. This motion is effective February 20, 2014.”

2. **Committee Report**

In addition to action items, the committee received a presentation on Sightlines FY13 ROPA, had a discussion and gave direction regarding revisions to Regents’ Policy chapters 05.11 and 05.12 and final project report recommendations and heard reports on the Alaska Pacific University land purchase proposal, UAA Alaska Airlines Center, UAA ConocoPhillips Integrated Science Building re-commissioning, UAA justification for approval of innovative procurement for the Consortium Library old core mechanical upgrades, UAA Engineering and Industry Building, UAF combined heat and power plant major upgrade, UAF engineering facility, UAF P3 student dining development, UAF West Ridge deferred maintenance phase 2, UAF FY12-FY14 deferred maintenance and renewal distribution change report, deferred maintenance spending and construction in progress.

Karl Kowalski, chief information technology officer, provided an overview on campus technology highlights and the Alaska Broadband Taskforce. Security issues were discussed and the board affirmed its belief that the right things are being done to correct deficiencies given the available resources and complexities involved, its support of the CITO in this effort, and offered support and assistance to complete this effort.

**XXI. Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education Report**

Regent Heckman reported on the January 9, 2014, quarterly meeting in Anchorage; noted a resolution of appreciation was approved for Dr. Milton Byrd who served on the commission for 20 years; said Chair Jacobson was appointed to serve on the commission’s executive committee; noted a discussion regarding the WICHE State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) occurred; stated the commission will need to write and pass regulation to include a process for SARA members to seek authorization to provide distance learning programs in Alaska and said two presentations were provided regarding the Alaska Student Loan Survey and the Alaska Education Leadership Survey.
XXII. **UA Athletics Report**

Regent Enright reviewed the following:

**UAA**

The Seawolf Hockey team is in the home stretch of its most successful campaign in nearly two decades, currently sitting in third place in the Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) standings with just four games left in the regular season. If UAA finishes among the league’s top four, UAA will host a WCHA playoff series March 14-16, 2014, at the Sullivan Arena. In addition to the team’s 15-11-4 record on the ice, the Seawolves also landed four players on the prestigious WCHA Scholar-Athlete team recognizing the players for 3.5 GPA or higher.

The Seawolves women’s basketball team is 16-6 and is in contention for a playoff berth having already clinched the program’s eighth consecutive winning season. UAA recently finished a season sweep of UAF and is preparing to host the final games ever played at the Wells Fargo Sports Complex (WFSC) on February 20 and 22, 2014. The Seawolves also rank among the nation’s leaders in scoring and steals.

The Seawolves men’s basketball team is 15-11 and fighting for a postseason berth. One of the nation’s top three-point shooting teams, UAA features a pair of Alaska-bred stars in senior Kyle Fossman (Haines) and junior Travis Thompson (Anchorage/Dimond), both of whom have passed the 1,000 career point mark this year. The men’s team is also preparing to host final games at the WFSC in a doubleheader with the women’s team on February 20 and 22, 2014.

The Seawolves gymnastics team posted a pair of home victories over Temple last month while earning a season-high score during the February 9, 2014, meet at Southeast Missouri. UAA’s final athletic events at the Wells Fargo Sports Complex will be February 28 and March 2, 2014, when the gymnasts host Lindenwood University.

UAA’s indoor track & field teams have produced 17 combined (11 women/6 men) provisional qualifying marks and one automatic mark (by defending NCAA 5,000-meter champion Micah Chelimo) for the upcoming NCAA Championships in North Carolina. Chelimo, a senior from Kenya, recently broke his own GNAC record in the 5,000 and will be the favorite when the Seawolves take the track for the GNAC Championships February 22, 2014 in Nampa, Idaho.

UAA’s ski team has produced several podium finishes at the Rocky Mountain Intercollegiate Ski Association (RMISA) races including a recent victory by Nordic senior Lukas Ebner at the New Mexico Invitational. Ebner, from Germany, will earn this year’s RMISA Nordic MVP award, while sophomore Marine Dusser is a top contender on the women’s team.
10 Nanook teams turned in 3.3 combined GPA with all teams having 3.0 GPA or better. Alaska Airlines plans to unveil a 76-seat Q400 airplane painted with the Nanook logo in March. The athletic department reintroduced the Junior Nanooks Club and within weeks secured 200 new members. Alaska Women's Hockey Club hosted the first two games ever on January 24-25, 2014 (Friday at Patty Ice Arena and Saturday at Carlson Center).

Volleyball: Sam Harthun (Oregon City, OR/Art) was named an American Volleyball Coaches Association All-West Region Honorable Mention.

Hockey: Splits a series with UAA in first two games of Alaska Airlines Governor's Cup in Anchorage. Davis Jones (St. Albert, Alberta/Business Administration) was named WCHA Rookie of the Week for second time on December 17, 2013. Colton Beck (Langley, British Columbia/Business Administration) was named WCHA Offensive Player of the Week on January 7, 2014.

Skiing: The team won the second straight Alaska Nordic Cup over UAA. Max Olex (Aalen, Germany/Business Administration) competed for Team Germany at Universiade in Italy. Logan Hanneman (Fairbanks, AK/Mechanical Engineering) was fifth in Free Skate Sprint at U.S. Nationals. Nichole Bathe (Madison, WI/Elementary Education) was third in classic sprint at U.S. Nationals, earned a spot on U.S. Team at World Junior Championships in Italy and was named CCSA Women's Skier of the Week on January 15, 2014. Logan Hanneman and Nichole Bathe both placed third in College Cup at U.S. Nationals.

Swimming: Bente Heller (Hamburg, Germany/Psychology) secured a NCAA Championship spot with NCAA A-cut in the 100 backstroke at the Husky Invitational.

Rifle: NCAA selects Alaska to host the 2015 NCAA Rifle Championship. Ryan Anderson (Great Falls, VA/Biological Sciences) set two national records in the Winter Air Gun Match in Colorado. Three rifle shooters qualified for 2014 World Cup USA Match in Fort Benning, GA.

Men's Basketball: Defeated No. 15 Western Washington for second straight year. Andrew Kelly (Gilbert, AZ/Justice) named GNAC Co-Player of the Week on January 6, 2014. The team played Saint Martin's in Lacey, WA on ROOT SPORTS on January 24, 2014.

XXIII. Executive Session

Regent Wickersham moved, seconded by Regent O’Neill and passed with Regents Anderson, Cowell, Fisher, Heckman, Hughes, O’Neill, Powers, Wickersham and Jacobson voting in favor that:
PASSED
“The Board of Regents goes into executive session to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the finances of the university related to the KABATA ROW Acquisition, a line of credit agreement, union negotiations, matters that by law or Regents’ Policy are required to be confidential related to personnel and potential litigation and matters that could affect the reputation or character of a person or persons related to regent self-assessment. This motion is effective February 21, 2014.”

The Board of Regents goes into executive session at 12:30 p.m. Alaska Time in accordance with AS 44.62.310. The session will include members of the Board of Regents, President Gamble, General Counsel Hostina, and such other university staff members as the president may designate and will last approximately 90 minutes.

The Board of Regents concluded an executive session at 3:40 p.m. Alaska Time in accordance with AS 44.62.310 to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which could have an adverse effect on the finances of the university related to the KABATA ROW Acquisition, a line of credit agreement, union negotiations, matters that by law or Regents’ Policy are required to be confidential related to personnel and potential litigation and matters that could affect the reputation or character of a person or persons related to regent self-assessment. The session included members of the Board of Regents, President Gamble, General Counsel Hostina, and such other university staff members designated by the president and lasted approximately 3 hours and 10 minutes.

XXIV. Future Agenda Items

Regent Fisher requested a report on the Alaska Vocational Technical Center and its relationship to UA and noted a request for a motion at the April 2014 meeting to delete Regents’ Policy 02.09.020 – Possession of Weapons.

XXV. Board of Regents’ Comments

Regent Anderson thanked Chancellor Rogers for the hospitality and the reception; noted the circumpolar presentation confirmed that the university must maintain a robust presence in the field of research and continue to build on the foundation of efforts already established by many individuals at UA and said incredible progress has been made with the commercialization activities at each university.

Regent Enright thanked Chancellor Rogers for the hospitality; noted appreciation for engaging opportunities with staff and fellow regents as UA moves forward in the challenging times ahead and is looking forward to the final draft of Shaping Alaska’s Future themes and effect statements.

Regent Wickersham noted the degree of genuine collaboration happening between the three universities; stated the three deans of education working together on the National Center for Teacher Quality presentation demonstrated a partnership that has been absent
in the past and said the university needs to focus on teacher education, increasing the number and quality of teachers in Alaska.

Regent Hughes thanked Chancellor Rogers for the hospitality and said it was great to be back at her alma mater.

Regent Powers noted an absolute wonderful presentation on arctic activities and is very proud to be associated with the university and the great things that are being done.

Regent Heckman thanked Chancellor Rogers for the hospitality; said it was nice to be back in Patty Center for the evening event; noted comments by governance leaders and extended appreciation to them for the governance work that is being done while they also do their day jobs, which is above and beyond regular duties; complimented risk managers for bringing issues forward and encouraged them to continue to look into internal controls and other high risk issues.

Regent Fisher noted a pleasant evening event with the tailgate party and the sporting event; stated appreciation for the arctic activities presentation; encouraged the university to continue work in the field of research and suggested UA administration review and work closely with the Legislature regarding the university’s weapons policy.

Regent Jacobson thanked Chancellor Rogers for the hospitality; thanked administrative staff for the efforts put forth for the meeting; stated appreciation to Executive Officer Berg for the improved appearance of the agenda; noted the tour of Wood Center was fabulous; stated the basketball game was great and is looking forward to the April meeting in Kodiak.

President Gamble thanked Chancellor Rogers for the hospitality; noted appreciation to the board for supporting administration and providing good guidance and intent; recognized Director Ripley and Vice President Beam for their timely internal and external communication efforts on UA issues; stated big challenges lie ahead and changing UA’s reputation to that of being doers will take everyone at UA to be mindful of their role in creating change; stated appreciation to Regent Fisher, former audit committee chair, for asking and bringing questions forward to the audit staff members; noted finding ineffective internal controls is an opportunity to create efficiencies while continuing to review processes.

Chancellor Pugh thanked Chancellor Rogers for the hospitality; stated UAS received a very good report from the accreditation commission with one recommendation to do a better analysis on metrics to align with the mission; thanked the board for the approval of the master plan implementation regarding remodeling two buildings; mentioned revenue generating workforce training programs 1) in Ketchikan because of the new shipyard and 2) in Juneau with continued training for The Hecla Greens Creek Mining Company employees; noted many of the Top 40 Under 40 are UA graduates and thanked the board for their time and support provided to the university.
Chancellor Case thanked Chancellor Rogers for the hospitality; stated appreciation for trips to Fairbanks, which provide an opportunity to become more familiar with the campus, the administration and the community; noted the collaborative work occurring amongst the campuses and the formation of the Summit Team; thanked the board for their hard work on difficult issues and said UAA is pleased to announce formal accreditation approval has been given to UAA to be a PhD granting institution.

Chancellor Rogers stated the Alaska International Piano e-Competition was one of the beneficiaries of Chancellor’s Gala noting $90 thousand was raised and spilt equally with the Fairbanks Memorial Hospital Foundation; said UAF will be a venue for the Festival of Native of Arts performances and the Arctic Winter Games; said Alaska Airlines plans to unveil the Nanook and Seawolf logo airplanes on March 1, 2014, just in time for the Alaska’s Governor’s Cup hockey games which will be in Fairbanks on March 7-8, 2014; noted partnering and training opportunities with the Tanana Chiefs Conference for health care specialty areas due to the expansion of the Chief Andrew Isaac Health Center; said the collaboration efforts of the Summit Team are generating alignment on specified issues and activities amongst the three universities and thanked the board for their support of administration.

XXVI. Adjourn

Chair Jacobson adjourned the meeting at 4:08 p.m. on Friday, February 21, 2014.