



Minutes
Coalition of Student Leaders
Business Meeting

Thursday, February 16, 2017
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Audio: 1-866-832-7806, guest PIN 8266781

(Please mute your mic unless speaking.)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Voting Members:

UAA student representatives:

Jeff Woods, Kodiak College Student Association (Kodiak) yes
Morgan Wadsworth, Prince William Sound Community College Student Association (Valdez) yes
Stephen (Joey) Sweet, Union of Students at the UAA (Anchorage) yes

UAF student representatives:

Cordero Reid, Associated Students of UAF (Fairbanks) and Coalition Historian yes

UAS student representatives:

David Russell-Jensen, United Students of UAS (Juneau) yes
Samantha Hoffman, United Student of UAS (Sitka) and System Governance Council Representative
yes

Non-Voting Ex-Officio Members:

Colby Freel, Commissioner, Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education and Coalition Chair

Staff:

Morgan Dufseth, Executive Officer, System Governance

Members Absent:

Shannon Cefalu, Kachemak Bay Branch Student Association (Homer)
Cheryl Tuttle, Kenai River Campus Student Union (Kenai)
Jack Rogers, Matanuska-Susitna Student Government Council (Palmer)
Brooke Wright, Interior Alaska Campus
Victoria McCoy, United Students of UAS (Ketchikan)
Stacey Lucason, Student Regent, UA Board of Regents

2. Adopt agenda

Cord moved to adopt, seconded by Jeff. The agenda was adopted as presented.

3. Public Comments

4. Ongoing Business

A. Ratification of Revision Language to Coalition Charter

Discussion of combining vice chair and historian position. There was uncertainty about the motion made at the conference.

David moved to postpone the discussion to a future meeting, seconded by Cord. No discussion. No objections. Motion carried.

David moved to create an ad hoc charter review committee, seconded by Jeff. No discussion. No objections. Motion carried.

Colby asked for volunteers: David and Cord volunteered, as well as Colby.

5. New Business

A. Feedback on Legislative Affairs Conference

Comments from conference participants:

- the agenda was too long in his opinion
- information overload at times but overall the presentations provided good information
- received positive feedback from UA administrators and legislators
- ask delegates to come to the conference with legislative topics and have them finalized at the meeting
- didn't feel the alumni speakers were necessary to the conference
- a student noted messages had been sent out asking Coalition delegates to reach out to their constituents prior to the meeting, however, no one brought issues to the conference with them
- some students' dietary needs were not met
- church not utilized—suggests a tour of downtown Juneau next year
- how to plan the conference in the future—will the Coalition take it on or UAS-JC or UA System Governance—who will lead the effort in the future?—Colby suggests have the Charter review take on that issue
- felt overall the conference went very well—all delegates had same talking points
- to improve on—tour to church
- also more emphasis on not talking in the Capitol

B. Strategic Pathways Phase II Feedback

Colby noted that campus level feedback meetings are currently taking place but students have not been invited (at least not at UAF)—explanation from administration was that was due to a miscommunication. Colby encouraged participation in campus level discussions but also wanted to know if the Coalition wants to have a coordinated response. Members agreed to and discuss options and a possible response at their next meeting.

C. Student Government Budget Approvals

Reference 2

SW Senior budget analyst Eric Johnson discussed an upcoming policy revision with the Coalition. The change would change the approval process for student government budgets. Under the proposed changes, the regents would no longer approve student government budgets and would leave that to each chancellor.

David noted that he has appreciated that budgets go through SW because it consolidates the information and is viewable to each campus. Eric noted SW Budget could still create a query to collect and disseminate that information if it was desired by the campuses. Colby noted the student governments enjoy a certain level of autonomy and working in a lab environment, which includes developing budgets.

David moved to support the change in SG budget process, seconded by Joey. There was no additional discussion. Members held a roll call vote and the motion passed 6-0.

6. Student Regent Update

None given.

7. Student Commissioner Update

None given.

8. Campus Reports

None given.

9. Roundtable/Announcements/Final Comments

10. Adjourn

Jeff moved to adjourn, seconded by David. There were no objections. The meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.