Official Minutes

**Board of Regents**

**Meeting of the Full Board**

February 15-16, 2012

Fairbanks, Alaska

**Regents Present:**

Patricia Jacobson, Chair

Kirk Wickersham, Secretary

Jyotsna Heckman, Treasurer

Timothy C. Brady

Fuller A. Cowell

Mari Freitag

Kenneth Fisher

Mary K. Hughes

Michael Powers

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

**Regents Absent**

Carl Marrs

**Others Present:**

Tom Case, Chancellor, University of Alaska Anchorage

Brian D. Rogers, Chancellor, University of Alaska Fairbanks

John Pugh, Chancellor, University of Alaska Southeast

Michael Hostina, General Counsel

Carla Beam, Vice President for University Relations

Daniel J. Julius, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research

Myron Dosch, Controller

Karl Kowalski, Chief Information Technology Officer

Kit Duke, Associate Vice President, Facilities

Michelle Rizk, Associate Vice President, Budget

Kate Ripley, Director, Public Affairs

Brandi Berg, Executive Officer, Board of Regents

Jennifer Mahler, Assistant, Board of Regents

**I.** **Call to Order**

Chair Jacobson called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 15, 2012.

**II. Adoption of Agenda**

Regent Wickersham moved, seconded by Regent Cowell and passed withRegents Brady Cowell, Fisher, Freitag, Heckman, Hughes, Powers, Wickersham, and Jacobson voting in favor that:

**PASSED AS AMENDED** (amendments noted by \*)

**"The Board of Regents adopts the agenda as presented.**

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Adoption of Agenda**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

**IV. Executive Session**

**V. President’s Report**

**VI. Governance Report**

**VII. Public Testimony**

**~~\*VIII. Approval of Naming of Ridge on the University of Alaska Fairbanks Campus – Troth Yeddha’~~(removed from agenda)**

**IX. Report on UA Metrics**

**X. Approval of Resolution of Appreciation for Patricia Ivey**

**XI. Approval of Resolution of Appreciation for Jeannie Phillips**

**XII. Presentation from the University of Alaska Fairbanks**

**XIII. Human Resources Issues**

**XIV. Planning and Development Issues**

1. **UA Foundation Report**
2. **Development Report**

**XV. Consent Agenda**

**A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

**1. Approval of Certificate in Bakery and Pastry Arts at the University of Alaska Fairbanks**

**B. Facilities and Land Management Committee**

**1. Formal Project Approval for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Critical Electrical Distribution Renewal Phase 2**

**XVI. New Business and Committee Reports**

**A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

**B. Audit Committee**

**C. Facilities and Land Management Committee**

**\*XVII. Election of a Board of Regents’ Officer (added to agenda)**

**\*XVIII.** **Approval of Revision to the Corporate Authority (added to agenda)**

**XIX. Approval of Revisions to the Industrial Security Resolution**

**XX. UA Athletics Report**

**\*XXI. Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education Report (added to agenda)**

XXII. Future Agenda Items

**XXIII. Board of Regents' Comments**

XXIV. Adjourn

**This motion is effective February 15, 2012."**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Regent Cowell moved, seconded by Regent Heckman and passed with no objection that:

**PASSED**

**"The Board of Regents approves the minutes of its regular meeting of December 8-9, 2011 as presented. This motion is effective February 15, 2012."**

Regent Cowell moved, seconded by Regent Heckman and passed with no objection that:

**PASSED**

**"The Board of Regents approves the minutes of its board retreat of January 25-26, 2012 as presented. This motion is effective February 15, 2012."**

**IV. Executive Session**

Regent Fisher moved, seconded by Regent Powers and passed withRegents Brady Cowell, Fisher, Freitag, Heckman, Hughes, Powers, Wickersham, and Jacobson voting in favor that:

## PASSED

**"The Board of Regents goes into executive session at 8:04 a.m. Alaska Time in accordance with the provisions of AS 44.62.310 to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which would have an adverse effect on the finances of the university related to litigation, labor, a land acquisition, and matters that could affect the reputation or character of a person or persons related to personnel. 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 1 hour and 15 minutes. This motion is effective February 15, 2012.”**

The Board of Regents concluded an executive session at 9:44 a.m. Alaska Time in accordance with AS 44.62.310 discussing matters the immediate knowledge of which would have an adverse effect on the finances of the university and matters that could affect the reputation or character of a person or persons related to personnel. The session included members of the Board of Regents, President Gamble, General Counsel Hostina, and other university staff members designated by the president and lasted approximately 1 hour and 34 minutes.

**V. President’s Report**

President Gamble stated Regent Martin’s element of culture and storytelling style of business he brought to the board will be greatly missed by staff and chancellors; updated the board regarding the Strategic Direction initiative and the pending tobacco policy.

**VI. Governance Report**

Juella Sparks, Staff Alliance Chair, recognized and thanked Pat Ivey for her contributions, knowledge and guidance provided to governance leaders over the years and wished her well in retirement; spoke regarding participation in strategic direction internal listening sessions; ongoing benefits and compensation discussions; input on policy and regulation review; proposed changes to the employee education benefit; gathering feedback on the proposed tobacco policy; and the review and update to governance bylaws and constitution.

Daniel Monteith, Faculty Alliance Chair, reported on the eLab Taskforce faculty meeting regarding the review process for general education and core learning outcomes in the area of natural sciences; work with SAC regarding policy and regulations review; meeting with Coalition of Student Leaders regarding the Stay on Track campaign; acknowledged and thanked Regent Martin in the Tlingit language; and thanked Pat Ivey for her cooperation with faculty and her service to the university.

Nicholas Pennington, Coalition of Student Leaders Speaker, reported on the Coalition of Student Leaders retreat in Juneau; students advocating for the university; meeting with the governor and lieutenant governor regarding the student advising item in the university’s budget; and recognized Pat Ivey for her leadership and guidance provided to governance leaders.

**VII. Public Testimony**

Abel Bult Ito, president of United Academics, spoke about the University of Alaska being an educational powerhouse, an institution of higher education as well as offering training for workforce development and the importance of referring to the University of Alaska System as an educational institution when talking with Alaska State legislators.

Karolina Pavic, UAF student, spoke in support of developing a veterinary school and the importance of establishing a partnership with Colorado State University.

Sam Herreid, UAF student, spoke about the funding opportunities offered by the UAF Center for Global Change and Arctic System Research and shared information about his undergraduate research project regarding glacial melt in the Alaska Range.

Sean Lee, UAF graduate student, spoke about his experience at the Coalition of Student Leaders retreat in Juneau; the importance of engaging students to support the university; and his support for the engineering facility at UAF.

Christopher Clement, UAF student and representative of the newly formed UAF Pre-Vet Club, spoke in support of the 2+2 veterinary program with Colorado State University and thanked the board for their support thus far regarding the partnership.

Don Gray, president of the Friends of the University of Alaska Museum of the North, spoke in support of the university’s operating budget and the need for a fine arts curator and collection manager at the museum.

**~~VIII. Approval of Naming of Ridge on the University of Alaska Fairbanks Campus – Troth Yeddha’~~**(removed from agenda)

**IX. Report on UA Metrics**

President Gamble reported the collection of metrics and measures is ongoing; defining the types of metrics will include analysis from the Strategic Direction listening sessions and other research to determine measures that are meaningful to the university and the state in terms of educational quality. Associate Vice President Gwen Gruenig reported on the history and the process regarding performance measures.

**X. Approval of Resolution of Appreciation for Patricia Ivey**

Regent Hughes moved, seconded by Regent Cowell, and passed with no objection that:

**PASSED**

**"The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for Patricia Ivey. This motion is effective February 15, 2012.”**

WHEREAS, Pat Ivey first came to work at the University of Alaska over 36 years ago, in 1975, at the Cooperative Extension Service at UAF. She became the head of the UA Governance Office in 1984; and

WHEREAS, the System Governance Office was created by Board of Regents’ Policy 03.01.01 to allow faculty, staff and students across the system an opportunity to participate in the decision-making process and advocate on behalf of  the university; and

WHEREAS, governance groups under Pat Ivey’s guidance have included the Faculty Alliance, Staff Alliance, Coalition of Student Leaders and the System Governance Council. Members of these groups are leaders of governance groups at their respective Major Administrative Units (MAUs); and

WHEREAS, Pat Ivey has served as Northern Regions vice president for Alaska chapter of the National Federation of Press Women; worked with National Geographic; received grants from Reader’s Digest and the Alaska Humanities Forum; and

WHEREAS, Pat Ivey in April of 1990 received a university award in recognition of demonstrated leadership in promoting minority employment; and

WHEREAS, the Coalition of Student Leaders approved a citation for Pat Ivey in 1994, noting that Pat worked “with a certain determination to make the Coalition of Student Leaders a reality in the University of Alaska System”; and

WHEREAS, the Coalition of Student Leaders named Pat Ivey “Most Valuable Staff Member” in April 2005; and

WHEREAS, the students aren’t the only ones to notice Pat’s efforts. Pat received certificates of appreciation for “exceptional service” from the University of Alaska Faculty Alliance in 1997 and 1998; and

WHEREAS, Faculty Alliance also presented Pat Ivey with a special recognition award in June 2007 “for over 20 years of outstanding service and dedication to the System Governance office”; and

WHEREAS, the Statewide Administration Assembly has long appreciated Pat, presenting her with an award in June 1988 for outstanding service, citing her exceptional efforts to research “major issues tended to improve employee relations, morale, efficiency and welfare.” The award notes Pat’s “energy, intelligence, research, communication skills and outstanding efforts”; and

WHEREAS, Pat Ivey, in 2003, received the relatively new “Make Students Count” award by then-President Mark Hamilton, an award that goes to employees specifically for their efforts to empower students; and

WHEREAS, Pat announced her retirement Jan. 31, 2012, by noting, with her typical self-deprecating humor, that “governance deserves a dedicated whippersnapper younger and snappier than me to serve you all and help move the university forward into a new era.”

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Board of Regents officially recognizes the dedication of Pat Ivey in her 36-plus years of service, and wishes her good luck in enjoying her children, grandchildren and great-grandchild in her much deserved retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and conveyed to Pat Ivey, with a copy to be incorporated in the Feb. 15-16, 2012, official minutes of the Board of Regents.

**XI. Approval of Resolution of Appreciation for Jeannie D. Phillips**

Regent Wickersham moved, seconded by Regent Fisher, and passed with no objection that:

**PASSED**

**"The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for Jeannie D. Phillips. This motion is effective February 15, 2012.”**

WHEREAS, Jeannie D. Phillips’ dedication to the University of Alaska can be traced throughout her entire adult life; and

WHEREAS, Jeannie D. Phillips initially came to the University of Alaska as a student, graduating from Kodiak Community College in 1980. She was hired as a clerk stenographer for KUAC in 1981; relocated to System Human Resources in 1983, Academic Affairs in 1985, and finally became Executive Officer to the Board of Regents in 1991; and

WHEREAS, from 1991 to February 2012, she has managed the Board of Regents’ office with skill, grace, good humor, flexibility and humility. For 21 years, Jeannie has handled all logistics, dealt with delayed or cancelled airline flights, hotels and car rental agencies. She’s hauled binders, reams of papers and, more recently, eight cases of audio-visual equipment to each and every meeting; and

WHEREAS, over these years Jeannie D. Phillips has worked with 67 regents and attended more than 250 board meetings; and

WHEREAS, Jeannie D. Phillips has worked with six University presidents including Jay Barton, Donald O’Dowd, Jerome Komisar, Mark R. Hamilton and Patrick Gamble; and 10 board chairs including Robert F. Williams, Sharon D. Gagnon, Michael P. Kelly, Michael J. Burns, Chancy Croft, Brian D. Rogers, Mary K. Hughes, Cynthia Henry, Fuller A. Cowell and Patricia Jacobson; and

WHEREAS, while working full time for UA, Jeannie and her husband Jerry raised two children, Jay and Jill, yet she still found time to volunteer in her community and in her profession, including serving 15 years on the Board Professionals with the Association of Governing Boards, on the Spirit of Alaska Federal Credit Union board, and as an active member of the Alaska Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, Jeannie D. Phillips’ most recent accomplishment has been initiating and overseeing the transition to “paperless” board meetings, following the digitization of the Board of Regents’ minutes; and

WHEREAS, she has a special interest in the history of the university and enjoys collecting and showcasing University of Alaska memorabilia; and

WHEREAS, Jeannie D. Phillips retired from her position as Executive Officer to the Board of Regents on February 1 to accept a part-time position at the University of Alaska Fairbanks; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska takes official recognition of Jeannie’s outstanding service and extends to her this statement of appreciation for her contributions to higher education at the University of Alaska and in the State of Alaska; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and conveyed to Jeannie D. Phillips with a copy incorporated in the official minutes of the February 15-16, 2012, meeting of the Board of Regents.

**XII. Presentation from the University of Alaska Fairbanks**

Dan White, Director of the Institute of Northern Engineering and Associate Vice Chancellor for Research and Adam Krynicki, Intellectual Property Specialist presented information on Intellectual Property and Commercialization. Michelle Hebert, Director of Sustainability presented information on Review of Infrastructure, Sustainability and Energy (RISE). Greg Walker, Range Manager, Poker Flat Research Range presented information on the unmanned aircraft’s assistance in providing support to the Nome winter fuel delivery.

**XIII. Human Resources Issues**

Erika Van Flein, Director of Benefits updated the board regarding human resources issues.

**XIV. Planning and Development Issues**

1. UA Foundation Report

Jo Michalski, Chair UA Foundation, joined via video to report on activities of the UA Foundation Board of Trustees. Vice President Carla Beam, in her capacity as UA Foundation President, updated the board on foundation projects and activities.

1. Development Report Reference 1

Vice President Carl Beam updated the board on development activities at the University of Alaska.

**XV. Consent Agenda**

Regent Hughes moved, seconded by Regent Cowell and passed withRegents Brady Cowell, Fisher, Freitag, Heckman, Hughes, Powers, Wickersham, and Jacobson voting in favor that:

**PASSED**

**"The Board of Regents approves the consent agenda as presented. This motion is effective February 16, 2012."**

1. Academic and Student Affairs Committee
2. Approval of Certificate in Bakery and Pastry Arts at the University of Alaska Fairbanks Reference 2

PASSED  
“The Board of Regents approves Certificate in Bakery & Pastry Arts at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. This motion is effective February 16, 2012."

1. Facilities and Land Management Committee
2. Formal Project Approval for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Critical Electrical Distribution Renewal Phase 2 Reference 3

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the Formal Project Approval request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Critical Electrical Distribution Renewal, Phase 2 as presented in compliance with the campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to proceed through Schematic Design not to exceed a total project cost of $24,250,000. This motion is effective February 16, 2012.”

**XVI. New Business and Committee Reports**

1. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

In addition to the action item, the committee also heard reports on “Complete College America” criteria, SB241, eLearning Task Force, transfer of credits, academic outcome measures, program review guidelines and the i3 grant.

Future agenda items include continued discussion regarding program review, general education assessment and 3-year degree program options.

1. Audit Committee

In addition to a presentation regarding the risk assessment of the UAF Heat and Power Plant, reports were heard on final audit report update, internal audit update, external audit update and the Quality Assurance Review report.

1. Facilities and Land Management Committee

1. Project Change Approval Request for UAA KPC Career & Technical Education Center Reference 12

The Facilities and Land Management Committee approved the following motion:

**PASSED**

**“The Board of Regents’ Facilities and Land Management Committee approves the Project Change Approval request for the University of Alaska Anchorage Kenai Campus Career & Technical Education Center as presented and authorizes the university administration to proceed not to exceed a total project cost of $15,250,000. This motion is effective February 15, 2012.”**

1. Committee Report

In addition to action items, the committee heard reports on the FY13 re-appropriation request for FY07 and FY08 WWAMI capital fund balance, financial status report on UAA Integrated Science Building and UAA Health Sciences Building, update on UA engineering facilities, AHFC energy audits, deferred maintenance spending, UAF student housing and dining, CRCD master plans, construction in progress and approvals by the chair of the Facilities and Land Management Committee and the chief finance officer.

Karl Kowalski, Chief Information Technology Officer, gave a report on IT issues. 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.

1. Authorization to Purchase Hangar Facility Located at the Fairbanks International Airport and to Enter into a Long-Term Land Lease with the State of Alaska

At the December 9, 2011 meeting of the Board of Regents, the following motion was approved:

PASSED

“The Board of Regents authorizes the chief finance officer or designee to execute any and all documents necessary to purchase the hangar facility located on Lot 1B at the Fairbanks International Airport, and to enter into a long-term lease with the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation for use of the land associated with the hangar. The chief finance officer or designee is further authorized to fund the purchase of the hangar facility and associated facility upgrades utilizing working capital. This motion is effective December 9, 2011.”

Since that time, the conditions in the purchase agreement for the original site under consideration were not met. However, another site has become available which suits the needs of the university. The university administration requests that the December 9, 2011 motion be amended to strike the words “on Lot 1B” to allow the administration to pursue this alternative.

Regent Cowell moved, seconded by Regent Powers and passed withRegents Brady, Cowell, Fisher, Freitag, Heckman, Hughes, Powers, Wickersham, and Jacobson voting in favor that:

**PASSED**

**“The Board of Regents moves to amend the motion approved on December 9, 2011 regarding ‘Authorization to Purchase Hangar Facility Located at the Fairbanks International Airport and to Enter into a Long-Term Land Lease with the State of Alaska,’ to read:**

**“The Board of Regents authorizes the chief finance officer or designee to execute any and all documents necessary to purchase a hangar facility located at the Fairbanks International Airport, and to enter into a long-term lease with the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation for use of the land associated with the hangar. The chief finance officer or designee is further authorized to fund the purchase of the hangar facility and associated facility upgrades utilizing working capital. This motion is effective February 16, 2012.”**

**This motion is effective February 16, 2012.”**

**XVII. Election of a Board of Regents’ Officer**

Due to the resignation of Regent Robert Martin, Jr., Vice Chair of the Board of Regents on February 10, 2012 and in accordance with Board of Regents' Bylaws, an officer of the board shall be elected by a simple majority vote.

**PASSED**

**"The Board of Regents elects Carl Marrs as vice chair of the Board of Regents. This motion is effective February 16, 2012."**

**XVIII. Approval of Revisions to the Corporate Authority**

Regent Cowell moved, seconded by Regent Powers, and passed with no objection that:

### PASSED

**"The Board of Regents approves the Corporate Authority Resolution, as revised to reflect a change in title of an officer resulting from the Board of Regents' election and authorizes the Chair and Secretary of the Board of Regents to sign the resolution. This motion is effective February 16, 2012."**

The Board of Regents regularly passes a resolution specifying certain university officers as being authorized to execute investment and banking transactions for the University of Alaska. Because of changes in officers of the board a current resolution is necessary in order to execute timely investment and banking transactions.

**XIX. Approval of Revisions to Industrial Security Resolution**

Regent Wickersham moved, seconded by Regent Heckman, and passed with no objection that:

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the Industrial Security Resolution as revised to reflect changes in university administration and officers of the board, and authorizes the Chair and Secretary of the Board to sign the resolution. This motion is effective February 16, 2012."

RATIONALE/RECOMMENDATION

The President and selected members of the university administration are routinely designated by the Board of Regents to handle any duties and responsibilities relating to classified information in connection with contracts with the Department of Defense and other federal agencies. These individuals are given an extensive security screening and are the only members of the administration, including the Board of Regents, to have access to classified information.

The university has received similar security clearances since the mid-1950s. Execution of the resolution allows regents and other members of the administration to be exempted from security clearance procedures.

The resolution is identical to resolutions previously passed except for changes to university administration and a board member**.**

**XX. UA Athletics Report**

Regent Mari Freitag reviewed the following:

UAF

The Nanook men's Nordic skiing team captured their third Central Collegiate Skiing Association (CCSA) title in program history. It was the team's first conference championship since 2006. They also won in 2004.

In addition, junior Tyler Kornfield earned his first individual conference championship title after racing his way to a first place finish in the men's 20-kilometer mass start classic race.

The Nanook women's swim team finished in 4th place out of 13 schools (see below) competing at the Pacific Collegiate Swimming and Diving Conference (PCSC) Championships.

Freshman Margot Adams became just the second Alaska swimmer in program history to capture an individual title at the PCSC Championships by winning the 100 butterfly.

The women's swim team also accomplished something that had never done before as the 800 freestyle relay tandem set the program's first-ever NCAA 'A' cut time in a relay event. The team of freshmen Danielle Lyons (Prince Albert, Saskatchewan/St. Mary's), Gabi Summers (Cheyenne, Wyo./Central) and Margot Adams (Anchorage, Alaska/Frontier Charter) and sophomore Bente Heller (Hamburg, Germany/Albrecht Thzer Gymnasium) set a new varsity record with a time of seven minutes, 30.47 seconds to finish second at the PCSC Championships. That mark automatically qualifies the foursome for the NCAA Division II Championships next month.

UAA

1. Men’s Basketball is ranked #17 in the National poll.

2. Women’s Basketball ranked #12 in the National poll.

3. Both teams will qualify for the GNAC and the NCAA West Region tournaments.

4. The Seawolf athletic department was ranked #13 in the Directors Cup at the conclusion of the fall athletic seasons.

5. Marko Cheseto is still improving and is attending class on a full time basis.

6. The average GPA for all athletes was 3.17 at the conclusion of the fall semester.

7. The Seawolf Women’s Basketball team will be honored by the Alaska Sports Hall of Fame as the “PRIDE OF ALASKA” on Feb.28th during a ceremony at the Anchorage Museum

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

Regent Wickersham reported ACPE approved a business plan for new school programs; received a presentation from a charter college; and heard a report from ACPE’s attorney regarding student loans. Regent Jacobson reported Bruce Schultz, UAA Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, gave a presentation regarding Map Works and Diane Barrans, Commission Director, reported on the Alaska Performance Scholarship. The next meeting of ACPE will be held on April 3, 2012 in Juneau.

**XXII. Future Agenda Items**

Future agenda items will include an eTextbook presentation and an overview of the role of a board member.

**XXIII. Board of Regents' Comments**

Regent Fisher appreciated the presentation from UAF regarding the Heat and Power Plant; and is looking forward to reports on the general education requirements, 3-yr degree programs, program review and the reallocation of money from suspended or deleted programs in upcoming Academic and Student Affairs Committee meetings.

Regent Cowell mentioned a big change has occurred in that the board, the administration and the students are all speaking with one voice when referring to issues of importance to the university. It is a welcomed change and thanked everyone for doing so. He reminded board members of the importance to participate in providing support to the university by giving to the UA Foundation.

Regent Freitag attended the internal listing sessions for students at UAF and provided pizza to entice students to attend the session; traveled to Juneau for the Coalition of Student Leaders retreat; whole-heartedly thanked Pat Ivey for her impact to the governance office; commented that posters for the transfer of credit campaign have been distributed to the campuses; and thanked Chancellor Rogers for the ACEP event.

Regent Powers stated his appreciation for the behind the scenes effort that goes into planning the meeting and the special features during lunch.

Regent Hughes commented on her appreciation for Regent Martin; admired his Tlingit traditions and his friendship; thanked him for his service to the university and his excellent board work.

Regent Heckman recognized Regent Martin and the cultural aspect he brought to the board; commented on the ACEP event and the many partnerships involved in the project, and her enjoyment of the lunch presentation.

Regents Wickersham commented on the beauty of the ACEP building; congratulated UAF for constructing the center and stated how important the services of the program are for the state; remembered Regent Martin and that he will miss working with him.

Regent Jacobson reported she attended the community campuses spring conference and Fairbanks listening sessions; congratulated UAF regarding accreditation; thanked UAF for the hospitality, presentations and reception; attended the presentation of SB241 to the legislature and thanked Regent Powers and staff for the excellent work on the presentation; reminded regents to sign up for commencements; sent her thoughts and prayers to Regent Martin; and thanked staff for the meeting preparation efforts.

President Gamble thanked the board for support and guidance from this meeting, chancellors and staff for activities during the meeting, and collaborative efforts of staff on working toward managed outcomes and metrics.

Chancellors Case congratulated Chancellor Rogers for the great hospitality and the exciting initiatives happening at UAF; appreciation of the regents’ support for innovation and commercialization of research; offered respect to Pat Ivey, Jeannie Phillips and Regent Martin; spoke of the progress being made by UAA skier Marko Cheseto; saluted UAA student athletes for maintaining 3.17 overall GPA; invited regents to attend the Governor’s Cup hockey games; and reported that in celebration of civil rights month, UAA has had a series of activities commemorating civil rights.

Chancellor Rogers thanked President Gamble for instituting the bi-weekly system highlights as a means to keep regents’ informed; echoed Chancellor Case’s salute to athletes; reported that UAF athletes have outstanding GPAs and a higher graduation rate than other students; and offered a tour of the Life Sciences Building and the Heat and Power Plant following the meeting.

Chancellor Pugh thanked Chancellor Rogers for hosting the meeting, the ACEP event and the center’s efforts to assist the needs of the entire state; reported 12 UAS students and UAS faculty are spending the semester in Cuba with the faculty rotating through each month; invited regents to an open house for the underground mine training center; and thanked Pat Ivey, Jeannie Phillips and Regent Martin for their service to the university.

**XXIV. Adjourn**

Chair Jacobson adjourned the meeting at 11:31 a.m. on Thursday, February 16, 2012.