

Official Minutes  
**Board of Regents**  
**Meeting of the Full Board**  
April 11-12, 2013  
Sitka, Alaska

**Regents Present:**

Patricia Jacobson, Chair  
Kirk Wickersham, Vice Chair  
Michael Powers, Secretary  
Jyotsna Heckman, Treasurer  
Dale Anderson  
Timothy Brady (attended April 11 only)  
Fuller A. Cowell  
Kenneth Fisher  
Mari Freitag  
Mary K. Hughes  
Gloria O'Neill

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 & Associate Vice President, Facilities and Land Management  
Karl Kowalski, Chief Information Technology Officer  
Michelle Rizk, Associate Vice President, Budget & Interim Chief Human Resources Officer  
Kate Wattum, Interim Director, Public Affairs  
Brandi Berg, Executive Officer, Board of Regents  
Julie Benson, Coordinator, Board of Regents

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Jacobson called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. on Thursday, April 11, 2013.

## **II. Adoption of Agenda**

Regent Anderson moved, seconded by Regent Wickersham and passed with no objection 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. Executive Session**
- V. Public Testimony**
- VI. President’s Report**
- VII. Governance Report**
- VIII. Approval of Resolution of Appreciation for Mari Freitag**
- IX. Approval to Receive Proceeds from Property Disposal**
- X. Fisheries, Seafood, and Maritime Initiative Update**
- XI. Human Resources Report**
- XII. University Relations Report**
  - A. Federal Relations Update**
  - B. Legislative Update**
- XIII. Presentation from the Sitka Campus**
- XIV. Approval of Differential Tuition at the University of Alaska Fairbanks' School of Management**
- XV. Approval of a Meritorious Service Award for Spring 2013**
- XVI. Strategic Direction Initiative – Next Steps**
- XVII. Consent Agenda**
  - A. Audit Committee**
    - 1. Approval of Department Name and Director Title Proposal**
  - B. Facilities and Land Management Committee**
    - 1. Formal Project Approval for the University of Alaska Anchorage Health Campus Pedestrian Bridge**
    - 2. Project Change Request for the University of Alaska Anchorage MAC Housing Renewal**
    - 3. Project Change Request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Margaret Murie Life Sciences Research and Teaching Facility**
    - 4. Adoption of the University of Alaska Southeast Campus Master Plan 2012**
    - 5. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 05.12.040**
- XVIII. New Business and Committee Reports**
  - A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee**
  - B. Audit Committee**
  - C. Facilities and Land Management Committee**

- XIX. Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education Report**
- XX. UA Athletics Report**
- \*XX.A. Executive Session (added)**
- XXI. Future Agenda Items**
- XXII. Board of Regents' Comments**
- XXIII. Adjourn**

**This motion is effective April 11, 2013.”**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

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

**PASSED**

**“The Board of Regents approves the minutes of its regular meeting of February 21-22, 2013 as presented. This motion is effective April 11, 2013.”**

**IV. Executive Session**

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

**PASSED**

**“The Board of Regents goes into executive session at 9:10 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 effect on the finances of the university related to a PERS/TRS audit, labor, capital projects, differential tuition, matters that could affect the reputation or character of a person related to a meritorious service award, and to receive legal advice from counsel and to discuss organizational matters. 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. This motion is effective April 11, 2013.”**

The Board of Regents recessed its executive session at 9:55 a.m.; reconvened executive session at 10:30 a.m.

The Board of Regents recessed its executive session at 11:30 a.m.; reconvened executive session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board of Regents recessed its executive session at 2:30 p.m.; reconvened executive session at 9:25 a.m. on April 12, 2013.

The Board of Regents concluded an executive session at 9:55 a.m. Alaska Time on April 12, 2013, in accordance with AS 44.62.310 discussing matters the immediate knowledge of which would have an effect on the finances of the university related to a PERS/TRS audit, labor, capital projects, differential tuition, matters that could affect the reputation or character of a person related to a meritorious service award, and to receive legal advice from counsel and to discuss

organizational matters. 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 3 hours and 15 minutes.

**V. Public Testimony**

Nathan Young, Juneau Fire Department battalion chief, noted the importance and impact the University Fire Department has had on his 18-year career; spoke in support of student firefighters and the University Fire Department and stated UAF has a unique program because of the exceptional academics, equipment available to students and the on-the-job training opportunities.

Callie Conerton, UAS Student Senate member and education major, spoke about her learning experience at UAS; thanked the board and UAS for the Stay on Track tuition waiver campaign; stated she is a Stay on Track scholarship recipient and encouraged UAA and UAF to implement a Stay on Track scholarship to inspire students to take 15 credits.

Becky Martello, Alaska Marine Safety Education Association (AMSEA) development director, spoke in support of the Fisheries, Seafood and Maritime Initiative (FSMI); stated AMSEA has been responsible for providing commercial fisherman, youth and boaters with marine safety and cold water training since 1985 and noted AMSEA's interaction and partnership with the university to support and foster the growth of FSMI.

Trish White, Sitka Sound Science Center (SSSC) board member, spoke in support of the learning opportunities offered at the Sitka Campus; noted the importance of the university's partnership with the SSSC and encouraged the board to continue to support the collaboration, education programs and research efforts taking place between UAS and the SSSC.

Jessica Dominy, UAS Student Senate member from the Tlingit Raven clan of Angoon and Hoonah, thanked the board for their support of the Alaska Native Languages and Studies program at UAS; stated her interest in preserving the Alaska Native language and noted the importance of teaching the language to Alaska Native children.

Jarmyn Kramlich, UAS Student Government president and social science major, spoke in support of the UAS student housing project; noted the importance the project will have in further strengthening the student community; thanked the board and the president for keeping tuition low and for their service to the university and the state of Alaska.

Camielle Call, Sitka Campus program development manager, spoke in support of the law enforcement program at UAS; displayed the confirmation letter from the Northwest Accreditation Commission; noted appreciation to Terry Vrabec, State of Alaska Department of Public Safety deputy commissioner and Sheldon Schmidt, Alaska Police Standards Council chair for their support of the program; thanked Sitka Campus Director Johnston, Chancellor Pugh, the curriculum committee, Faculty Senate and the Statewide

Academic Council for endorsing the program and the board for approving the program. Linda Behnken, Alaska Longline Fisherman's Association director, spoke in support of fisheries in Alaska; stated the fishing industry is the largest private sector employee in the state and noted the important role UAS provides in training and supporting the industry.

Jeff Budd, Greater Sitka Arts Council member; spoke about the role of the arts council in supporting local community artists and thanked the board for meeting in Sitka and supporting the Sitka Campus.

Paul Rostad, Sitka Campus Student Government employee, mentioned the uniqueness and challenges of the student government association due to the majority of students being eLearning students; stated the 2012-2013 academic year has been the most active year for the association; said the organization is establishing a scholarship, revising the student government constitution and hosting an ice cream social for local students to attract additional membership.

Davey Lubin, wilderness transportation business owner, noted the arts and science interests within the community have grown tremendously and encouraged the board to continue to support research and science in Sitka.

Ritch Phillips, hatchery business owner, spoke in support of fisheries in Sitka; stated the significance for continued support of the fisheries technology program and noted the importance of the art programs offered at the Sitka Campus.

## **VI. President's Report**

President Gamble provided a brief update on the legislative session; noted staff contributions in preparing for the session; stated the message from the legislature concerning FY15 is to expect a very lean year with flat budgets; said the announcement regarding phase III of the Strategic Direction Initiative (SDI) has been well received across the system, many are excited to move forward and complete the process, collaboration amongst the MAUs involving creating effect statements is in progress, selecting these statements will change the direction of UA and stated UA is well prepared to complete SDI with the insight from the previous two years' worth of work.

## **VII. Governance Report**

Juella Sparks, Staff Alliance chair, stated staff are tracking the legislative session issues affecting UA; noted chancellors have communicated the budget challenges; said staff looks forward to being included in conversations regarding the effects the budget may have on employees; noted several compensation proposals were provided to President Gamble seeking his review; stated a productive conversation regarding bullying in the workplace and a review of the UA grievance policy took place with President Gamble in attendance during the March retreat and noted respective councils are working on Staff Make Students Count awards.

Shauna Thornton, Coalition of Student Leaders speaker, said students in Juneau are participating in team building activities; noted the use of social media has been successful in gathering new members and connecting students throughout UA; stated students are preparing for final exams; said preparation for electing new officers is underway and noted SDI will be a featured item during the summer summit meeting providing relevant information regarding the initiative to new governance leaders as they transition into their new roles.

**VIII. Approval of Resolution of Appreciation for Mari Freitag**

Regent Wickersham moved, seconded by Regent Brady, and passed unanimously that:

**PASSED**

**“The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for Mari Freitag. This motion is effective April 11, 2013.”**

WHEREAS, Mari Freitag was elected by her peers at the University of Alaska Fairbanks as their candidate for student regent in 2011; and

WHEREAS, Mari Freitag, in spring 2011, was appointed by Governor Parnell and confirmed by the Alaska Legislature to serve as the University of Alaska’s student regent; and

WHEREAS, Mari Freitag will graduate in May 2013 from the University of Alaska Fairbanks with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a minor in justice; and

WHEREAS, Mari Freitag has served as an intern and intern coordinator for U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski, and as senator, vice president and president for the Associated Students of the University of Alaska Fairbanks; and

WHEREAS, Mari Freitag participated in the Nanook Traditions Board, the University of Alaska Fairbanks Residence Hall Association and New Student Orientation as an orientation leader; and

WHEREAS, Mari Freitag has been involved with the University of Alaska Coalition of Student Leaders, traveling to Board of Regents’ meetings and the state capital in Juneau to advocate for student needs; and

WHEREAS, Mari Freitag is a University of Alaska Scholar and a National Honor Society member; she was awarded the ASUAF Senator of the Year award in 2010, received Chancellor’s List recognition in fall 2011, Dean’s List recognition in spring 2011 and fall 2012 and is a 2013 recipient of a COLD Leadership Honors Certificate; and

WHEREAS, Mari Freitag has been an active volunteer in the Fairbanks and Ketchikan communities including volunteering for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Springfest Service, Ketchikan Arts Council, Ketchikan Public Library, and the Ketchikan Theater Ballet Senior Company and served as a 2013 Alternative Spring Break team member in Agua Prieta, Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Mari Freitag, has served with distinction, active participation and awareness, always interjecting the student viewpoint as an advocate for University of Alaska students during her tenure as student regent; and

WHEREAS, Mari Freitag embraced the vision of the Strategic Direction Initiative and motivated students to assist with enacting change while bringing awareness to system issues by voicing student concerns; and

WHEREAS, Mari Freitag, while serving on the Board of Regents, was a member of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Human Resources Committee, Planning and Development Committee and served as the University of Alaska Athletics Representative; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents commends Mari Freitag for continuing her education as she graduates and pursues a master's degree in justice; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents officially recognizes Mari Freitag for her exceptional service to Alaska and the University of Alaska. The board expresses profound thanks on behalf of students, staff and faculty of the university for her contributions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be conveyed to Mari Freitag with a copy to be incorporated into the official minutes of the April 11-12, 2013 meeting of the Board of Regents.

**IX. Approval to Receive Proceeds from Property Disposal**

Reference 1

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

**PASSED**

**“The Board of Regents approves the University of Alaska Southeast request to receive the proceeds from the property disposal not to exceed \$97,000 as presented. This motion is effective April 11, 2013.”**

**POLICY CITATION and RELEVANT ALASKA STATUTE**

Regents' Policy 05.07.010.B. - Land Grant Endowment, states: “The land-grant endowment trust fund is established in accordance with AS 14.40.400. The net income from the sale, lease, development or other disposition of trust land or other related resources will be deposited to the land-grant endowment trust fund as principal. Except as specifically approved by the board, the net proceeds from the sale or development of

non-trust land or other related resources and the improvements thereon will be deposited as additions to the inflation-proofing fund in a manner similar to principal. Annually, effective July 1, the spending allowance for the funds, as described later in this policy, will be transferred to the operating accounts for management and maintenance of university land and to the natural resources fund for program expenditures.”

Alaska Statute Sec. 14.40.400 Fund for money from sale or lease of land granted by Act of Congress.

(a) [See editor's notes.] The Board of Regents shall establish a separate endowment trust fund in which shall be held in trust in perpetuity all

(1) net income derived from the sale or lease of the land granted under the Act of Congress approved January 21, 1929, as amended;  
...and

(3) monetary gifts, bequests, or endowments made to the University of Alaska for the purpose of the fund.

#### RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION

UAS requested to receive the proceeds from the property disposal of university lands at the intersection of the Glacier Highway and Mendenhall Loop Road that the State of Alaska is taking. The taking of a portion of the UAS campus property is required to accommodate construction of a new “roundabout” at the intersection. UAS requested that the \$97,000 payment from the State of Alaska to the university be directed to improvements associated with the adjoining property. This payment consists of \$72,000 paid for full market value of the land sold plus a \$25,000 administrative fee for impact on the parcel remaining in UA possession.

Board approval is required as Regents’ Policy 05.07.010.B., states: “Except as specifically approved by the board, the net proceeds from the sale or development of non-trust land or other related resources and the improvements thereon will be deposited as additions to the inflation-proofing fund in a manner similar to principal.”

The parcel from which this portion is being sold is not subject to the statutory requirements in AS 14.40.400 for mandatory deposit of the disposal proceeds to the Land Grant Trust Fund. This parcel, JN.JC.4009, was purchased from a private owner in March 1976 using 1974 land acquisition funds appropriated by the legislature.

The UAS land borders the roundabout. UAS supports this project as it improves access to the campus. This location is also a campus pedestrian entry. A paved pedestrian path connects this entry point to the general system of sidewalks within the Auke Lake campus. This path is the most direct route from the center of campus to the Auke Lake commercial district including the UAS bookstore and administrative services building.



The State of Alaska highway project will include significant pedestrian improvements including new sidewalks around and within the roundabout, which will connect with the existing UAS path. UAS would like to improve the existing path to make the best use of these new pedestrian improvements and to improve the visual image of this entrance.

The State of Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities payment, if allocated to the campus, would be used to re-pave and re-light the pedestrian path and to install a new sign indicating the direction of the central campus.

**X. Fisheries, Seafood, and Maritime Initiative Update** References 2-4

An update on the university-wide Fisheries, Seafood, and Maritime Initiative (FSMI) was presented by the FSMI Leadership Committee and FSMI Industry Advisory Committee representatives. Highlights included formation and engagement of the industry advisory committee, progress on the occupational needs analysis and workforce development plan, and anticipated FSMI timelines and outcomes.

**XI. Human Resources Report**

Michelle Rizk, interim chief human resources officer, updated the board regarding human resources issues.

**XII. University Relations Report**

A. Federal Relations Update

Vice President Beam provided a Patton Boggs federal priorities update on issues concerning the University of Alaska.

B. Legislative Update

Associate Vice President Christensen provided an update regarding the status of legislation concerning the University of Alaska.

**XIII. Presentation from the Sitka Campus** References 5-6

Representatives from the Sitka Campus presented information regarding the Fisheries Technology program in addition to highlighting community and art learning opportunities offered at the Sitka Campus.

**XIV. Approval of Differential Tuition at the University of Alaska Fairbanks' School of Management** References 7-10

This item was deferred to the June 6-7, 2013 meeting of the Board of Regents.

**XV. Approval of a Meritorious Service Award for Spring 2013**

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

**PASSED**

**“The Board of Regents approves the nominee for a meritorious service award as proposed. This motion is effective April 12, 2013.”**

**POLICY CITATION**

Regents’ Policy 10.03.030 - Meritorious Service Awards, states: “Meritorious service awards may be conferred upon approval of the Board of Regents.”

**RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION**

The recipient recommendation submitted by the University of Alaska Southeast for a meritorious service award was sent under separate cover for Board of Regents’ review prior to the April 11-12, 2013 board meeting.

**XVI. Strategic Direction Initiative – Next Steps**

References 11-13

Paula Donson, associate vice president of academic affairs and strategic direction, summarized phase I and phase II noting the bridge building, partnerships created and the reinforcement of the five themes; stated phase III is the finishing phase of SDI led by the MAUs where enhancements and improvements to the UA system will occur, thus providing the opportunity for UA to show the state and the public what is being done to raise the bar in education to benefit students, to fill high demand jobs in Alaska and to change the perspective on research. She noted the chancellors will provide a presentation at the June 2013 board meeting outlining their FY14 plans for phase III.

**XVII. Consent Agenda**

Regent Cowell moved, seconded by Regent O’Neill and passed with no objection that:

**PASSED**

**“The Board of Regents approves the consent agenda as presented. This motion is effective April 12, 2013.”**

**A. Audit Committee**

1. Approval of Department Name and Director Title Proposal Reference 31

**PASSED**

“The Board of Regents approves the proposal to modify the internal audit department name to Audit and Consulting Services and modify the title of the internal audit director to chief audit executive. This motion is effective April 12, 2013.”

B. Facilities and Land Management Committee

1. Formal Project Approval for the University of Alaska Anchorage Health Campus Pedestrian Bridge Reference 17

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the formal project approval request for the University of Alaska Anchorage Health Campus Pedestrian Bridge 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 \$4,350,000. This motion is effective April 12, 2013.”

2. Project Change Request for the University of Alaska Anchorage MAC Housing Renewal Reference 18

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the project change request for the University of Alaska Anchorage MAC Housing Renewal, as presented in compliance with the campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to reduce the project scope not to exceed a revised total project cost of \$2,702,182. This motion is effective April 12, 2013.”

3. Project Change Request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Margaret Murie Life Sciences Research and Teaching Facility Reference 19

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the project change request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Margaret Murie Life Sciences Research and Teaching Facility as presented in compliance with the campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to redistribute \$2,700,000 in shared funding between three associated projects: 1) to increase the total project budget of the Arctic Health Research Greenhouse by \$650,000 to complete the project and not exceed total project cost of \$5,975,000, 2) to decrease the total project budget of Utilities West Ridge Steam Capacity Expansion by \$2,500,000 not to exceed total project cost of \$12,500,000 and 3) the remaining balance of \$1,850,000 will be available to revert back to the debt repayment for the Margaret Murie Life Sciences Research and Teaching Facility. This motion is effective April 12, 2013.”

4. Adoption of the University of Alaska Southeast Campus Master Plan 2012 Reference 20

PASSED

“The Board of Regents adopts the University of Alaska Southeast Campus Master Plan 2012 as presented. This campus master plan will supersede the existing 2003 Campus Master Plan. This motion is effective April 12, 2013.”

5. Approval of Revisions to Regents’ Policy 05.12.040 Reference 21

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves revisions to Regents’ Policy 05.12.040 Capital Project Development: General, as presented. This motion is effective April 12, 2013.”

**XVIII. New Business and Committee Reports**

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

The committee heard a report on student fees at the university and received a presentation on West Ridge Revitalization at the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

B. Audit Committee

In addition to the action item, the committee heard reports on final audits issued and internal and external audit status.

C. Facilities and Land Management Committee

1. Correction to the Schematic Design Approval Motion of February 21, 2013 for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Utilities Wood Center Vault

The Facilities and Land Management Committee approved the following motion:

PASSED

“The Facilities and Land Management Committee approves the correction to the motion for schematic design approval for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Utilities Wood Center Vault project as approved on February 21, 2013 to change the total project cost from \$2,800,000 to not exceed \$3,000,000. This motion is effective April 11, 2013.”

2. Committee Report

In addition to action items, the committee heard status reports on the UAA Alaska Airlines Center, UAA Engineering and Industry Building project, UAF engineering facility, UAF combined heat and power plant replacement, UAF P3 student dining development, UAF West Ridge deferred maintenance phase 2, deferred maintenance spending and construction in progress.

Karl Kowalski, chief information technology officer, gave a report on IT issues and major system IT projects. 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.

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

Regent Heckman reported the meeting began with thanking outgoing members and welcoming incoming members; said several presentations were given including reports on compliance and operations; noted interest in the future of K-12 education assessment report and the Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS) report and stated 88 percent of the funds expended for the APS is being utilized for a bachelor's program and 94.6 percent of the students who received the scholarship attend UA full time. The next meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2013 in Anchorage.

**XX. UA Athletics Report**

Regent Freitag reviewed the following:

UAA

Indoor Track and Field: the women's team won the GNAC indoor crown, the men's team took second in their first year of competition; UAA compiled 10 All-America honors, Micah Chelimo collected a third career NCAA title by winning the 5000 meters.

Outdoor Track and Field: the women's team ranked sixth in week one of the national poll; currently the Seawolves have 19 NCAA qualifying times; the men's team set a UAA record in decathlon; the women's team broke three records one each in 4x100-meter relay, 400-meter hurdles and 3000-meter steeplechase.

UAF

Men's Skiing: Alaska was second at the NCAA Central Region Championship and the Nanooks combined score for both men's and women's was good for fourteenth place at the NCAA Championship. At the region championship, Michael Fehrenbach (mechanical

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engineering) won the 10K classic technique race while Logan Hanneman (mechanical engineering) was runner-up.

Women's Skiing: Alaska won the NCAA Central Region Championship, led by Alyson McPhetres' (Spanish & geological engineering) individual titles in the 5K classic and the 10K freestyle technique mass start. Theresia Schnurr (biochemistry) was also second in the 5K race. Rebecca Konieczny (biological sciences) was named CCSA Skier of the Week on Feb. 27.

Men's Basketball: The Nanooks made their first-ever appearance at the GNAC Championship after finishing the regular season with a 10-8 conference record. In the quarterfinals, Alaska nearly set a tournament single game shooting record by making 58.2 percent of its shots to defeat No. 5 MSU Billings 87-73. The Nanooks fell in the GNAC semis to top-seeded Western Washington, which won the West Region and is in the Division II Elite Eight. Head coach Mick Durham was named GNAC Co-Coach of the Year. Dominique Brinson (accounting) and Sergej Pucar (business administration) were each named to the All-GNAC Second Team while Pat Voeut (communication) was an Honorable Mention selection.

Women's Basketball: After starting 0-14 in conference play, the Nanooks were able to finish strong, winning three of their final four games of the season to go 3-15 in the GNAC, one more win in conference than last season. The team has also been busy in the community and involved in three separate community service activities in the last month.

Swimming: Bente Heller (communication) became the program's first-ever national champion as she set a new varsity record in the 100 backstroke at the NCAA Division II Swimming and Diving Championship in Birmingham, AL. To do so, she had to beat the defending champion, who was in the lane beside her for the championship final. Heller also finished third in the 100 freestyle and seventh in the 200 free. Margot Adams (political science) repeated as national runner-up in the 100 butterfly and the duo placed nineteenth as a team despite not having a single relay point like last year's championship. Heller finished her championship run with three individual All-American accolades, while Adams collected one.

Hockey: The Nanooks finished sixth in the CCHA regular season standings and earned a home series for the first round of the playoffs. They lost their hard-fought, best-of-three series to Michigan State to end the season. Andy Taranto (communication) was named Second Team All-CCHA while Tyler Morley (general studies) was tabbed to the CCHA All-Rookie Team. At the CCHA Awards Banquet last weekend, senior captain Adam Henderson (masters of business administration) was named the CCHA Scholar-Athlete of the Year and fellow senior Kaare Odegard (business finance) was the co-recipient of the Mike and Marian Ilitch Humanitarian Award. Odegard is also one of five finalists for the BNY Mellon Humanitarian Award. In addition, the Alaska Nanooks won the Governor's Cup against UAA for the fourth year in a row.

Rifle: The Nanooks took fourth place overall at the NCAA Championship and were second in the smallbore portion of the match. Ryan Anderson (biology) shot a 586 in smallbore and had the high score in the 10-shot individual final to take fourth overall. All five members of the NCAA squad were named to All-America teams. Anderson was First Team Smallbore and Second Team Air Rifle, Mike Liuzza (business administration) was Second Team Smallbore and Honorable Mention air rifle, Dustin Chesebro (engineering) was Second Team Air Rifle, Cole Bures (electrical engineering) was Honorable Mention Smallbore and Mats Eriksson (business management) was Honorable Mention Air Rifle.

**\*XX.A. Executive Session** (added)

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

**PASSED**

**“The Board of Regents goes into executive session at 2:50 p.m. Alaska Time in accordance with the provisions of AS 44.62.310 to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which would have an effect on the finances of the university related to differential tuition 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. This motion is effective April 12, 2013.”**

The Board of Regents concluded an executive session at 4:28 p.m. Alaska Time accordance with AS 44.62.310 discussing matters the immediate knowledge of which would have an effect on the finances of the university related to differential tuition 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 30 minutes.

**XXI. Future Agenda Items**

Regent Fisher requested a report regarding liquidating university property in Washington, D.C. Chancellor Case would like to seek approval of an additional board member for the Seawolf Holding, LLC.

**XXII. Board of Regents' Comments**

Regent O'Neill stated appreciation for the thoughtful and engaging conversations during the meeting; said she is looking forward to being a problem solver for the university and working with the board.

Regent Anderson thanked Director Johnston for the hospitality; enjoyed coming to Sitka and seeing the learning opportunities provided at the campus; thanked Callie Conerton for the testimony regarding her learning experience at UAS and appreciated the fisheries technology presentation.

Regent Hughes thanked Director Johnston and staff for the delightful hospitality; noted appreciation for being in Sitka; stated the facility improvements, staff and faculty at the Sitka Campus are fabulous; noted the community engagement; enjoyed the student presentations and said she'd miss Regent Freitag and wished her well.

Regent Powers thanked Director Johnston for the hospitality; noted the great discussions during the meeting regarding differential tuition, student fees, West Ridge Revitalization; enjoyed Al Puckett's ownership and pride in the welding program at the Sitka Campus; noted what a wonderful student advocate Regent Freitag has been and wished her well.

Regent Wickersham stated he is a new member of the UA Foundation Investment Committee which recently met to review proposals to select an external source for managing UA Foundation investments; noted all student regents have been stars and stated Regent Freitag has been the brightest star.

Regent Heckman thanked Director Johnston for the hospitality and reception; noted the Sitka Campus is beautiful; enjoyed the lunch with the advisory council; noted excellent discussions and presentations during the meeting; stated appreciation for staff's time and effort in preparing reports and presentations; said she would miss Regent Freitag and wished her all the best.

Regent Cowell thanked Director Johnston for the hospitality; stated the improved Sitka facility is amazing; thanked campus staff and UAS for hosting the meeting; stated he would miss Regent Freitag, wished her well and is excited she will continue to pursue aviation.

Regent Fisher noted Regent Freitag has been the best student regent he's served alongside; stated she is smart, passionate and has wisdom beyond her years; loved being in Sitka; complimented Director Johnston on the construction completed at the Sitka Campus; said he is looking forward to the FY14 capital and operating appropriation discussion at the June 2013 meeting; noted an enjoyable venue and thanked Brandi Berg, Julie Benson, Ken Jernstrom and Kelly Gitter for making the behind the scenes work appear effortless.

Regent Freitag thanked Director Johnston and his entire team for the hospitality; said she has visited Sitka on multiple occasions to attend community events, take part in learning opportunities offered by the campus and is glad her last board meeting was in Sitka; stated the most difficult issue of her tenure is the differential tuition item on this meeting's agenda; noted appreciation for the effort put forth on the presentations; is excited for the outcome of SDI and hopes the student focus continues; noted how much she's learned from fellow regents and thanked them for the contributions each has made to her learning experience.



Regent Jacobson thanked Director Johnston and his staff for the hospitality; enjoyed the reception and presentations; stated the meeting room is perfectly equipped for such meetings; thanked Regent Freitag for her thoughtful hard work these past two years; stated the meeting was great and wished everyone safe travels.

President Gamble said Regent Freitag has been a real asset to the board, one who is mature, thoughtful, headed for success and he wished her good luck in pursuing aviation; thanked Director Johnston for the hospitality; noted the faculty, staff and environment at the Sitka Campus create a welcoming learning atmosphere for students; stated board discussions were engaging and insightful and noted the efforts of staff in preparing for the meeting.

Chancellor Rogers thanked Director Johnston and staff at Sitka Campus for hosting the meeting; noted the Alaska Volcano Observatory celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary and unfortunately due to sequestration monitoring efforts have been halted; stated Wickersham Hall experienced a closure due to a heat and power outage and noted the excellent response from student affairs and facilities services to relocate students; said UAF has established a fittest winner competition to increase exercise and weight loss awareness; stated Regent Freitag is the 24<sup>th</sup> student regent and is one of the top three students who has done a remarkable job while also leading UAF student government and thanked her for her service to the Board of Regents and to UAF students.

Chancellor Case thanked Regent Freitag for her service and wished her well; thanked Director Johnston for the hospitality and the display of culture throughout the campus; presented a handout on Zensor the first Seawolf Holdings, LLC company; noted UAA hosted the first-ever Alaska Native Studies Conference, which was very successful and provided insightful information; visited Homer to participate in a capstone engineering project utilizing the Homer dock to measure and evaluate title energy; said UAA Justice Center hosted a successful forum on tribal courts and stated the Seawolves are #12 out of 307 Division II schools placing UAA in the top 4 percent of Division II athletic programs.

Chancellor Pugh thanked Regent Freitag for her service and noted it was nice to have Southeast Alaska represented by a very accomplished individual; thanked Director Johnston and staff for the hospitality and beautiful facility; stated the April board meeting is a good opportunity for board members and staff to reconnect with community campuses to appreciate the importance of the branch campuses, their effect on the community and relationship to the statewide mission; noted the law enforcement program partnering with the Alaska State Trooper Academy is an example of the combined missions between campuses that serves all communities and said an important part of SDI is looking at completion rates and the relationship to the quality program offered at UA.

### **XXIII. Adjourn**

Chair Jacobson adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 12, 2013.