

**Board of Regents**  
**Meeting of the Full Board**  
June 4-5, 2020  
Zoom Conference

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**

**Full Board Actions**

**1. Approval to Prepare a Conceptual Plan to Review a Structural Option Involving a Merger of the University of Alaska Southeast and the University of Alaska Fairbanks**

**PASSED AS AMENDED**

“Whereas, the University of Alaska’s state funding has been reduced by \$76 million (20 percent) between FY2014 and FY2020, and an additional \$45 million (15 percent) through FY22;

Whereas, the University has reduced programs and services in response to the state funding cuts, including the loss of 1,727 employees since 2014;

Whereas, the university plans to reduce or discontinue academic programs which will be considered by the Board of Regents at its meeting on June 4-5, 2020;

Whereas, given enrollment declines since 2011, COVID pandemic related impacts, and planned state funding reductions, by FY21 the University’s budget is expected to have a shortfall of \$24.8 million, to be covered by one-time funds, and by FY22 a shortfall of between \$11.3 million and \$36.3 million;

Whereas, while enrollment has declined by 28 percent across the University since 2010;

Whereas, a standard measure of cost effectiveness—student to faculty ratios—shows that all three universities are lower (i.e., more faculty, fewer students) than peer institutions, the ratio at UAS is the lowest in the UA system and is 39 percent below its peers;

Whereas, non-faculty staffing at UAS is also substantially above peer levels for the size of its enrollment;

Whereas, UAS accounts for 8 percent of the total student credit hours generated across the system and 50 percent of those credit hours are delivered via distance;

Whereas, the Board of Regents is committed to providing higher education opportunities to the people of Southeast Alaska through innovative and cost-effective programs in areas of importance to Southeast communities such as fisheries and ocean science, mine training, health research and workforce development, public administration, management, and teacher education; and

Whereas, the institutions that comprise the University of Alaska are separately accredited by the Northwest Commission of Colleges and Universities, and the Board of Regents is committed to complying with all accreditation requirements.

Now therefore be it resolved that—in order to provide higher education programs and services to the people of Southeast Alaska during a time of unprecedented financial challenges, while ensuring the survival of the University of Alaska and long-term excellence—the Board of Regents, utilizing a transparent and inclusive process, intends to inquire and collect data, examine ideas and opportunities, explore potential efficiencies, study the pros and cons of a structural option involving a merger of the University of Alaska Southeast and the University of Alaska Fairbanks, all the while maintaining the unique identity and environment of each institution.

- Pursuant to the foregoing, the Board directs that a Conceptual Plan be prepared by a working group comprised of regents and other individuals selected by Chair Buretta to represent key stakeholders with interests in higher education in Southeast Alaska, and will include the Chairs of the Faculty Alliance, Staff Alliance, and Coalition of Student Leaders.
- The Conceptual Plan will identify actions required to comply with requirements of the U.S. Department of Education and the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. This Conceptual Plan will be provided to the Board of Regents no later than October 15, 2020.
- The Conceptual Plan will assess the efficiencies and benefits that may result from the merger and include an assessment of cost savings, regional program demand, provisions for student program completion (teach out or transfer), compliance with accreditation standards, and opportunities for expansion in such areas as fisheries and ocean science, Alaska Native programs, environmental research, public administration, mine training, and teacher education.
- In addition, the Plan will include an assessment of opportunities for partnerships with regional communities and tribal organizations

This motion is effective June 4, 2020.”

## **2. Approval of Bond Refinancing and Restructure**

### **PASSED**

“The Board of Regents adopts the bond resolution hereunder for "University of Alaska General Revenue Refunding Bonds 2020 Series W (Taxable)", as presented. This motion is effective June 4, 2020.”

**UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA BOARD OF REGENTS**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$59,000,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA GENERAL REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, 2020 SERIES W (TAXABLE); AUTHORIZING THE OFFERING OF SAID BONDS AT NEGOTIATED SALE; APPROVING THE FORM OF A SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE FOR SAID BONDS, A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT, AND A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT; AND AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING RELATED MATTERS.**

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska (the “University”) is authorized pursuant to Alaska Statutes Chapter 14.40, as amended (the “Act”) to issue revenue bonds to pay the cost of acquiring, constructing, or equipping one or more projects that the Board of Regents (the “Board”) of the University determines is necessary; and

WHEREAS, the University may defease and refund its revenue bonds subject to the terms of a Trust Indenture dated as of June 1, 1992, as amended (the “Master Indenture”) and corresponding supplemental indenture; and

WHEREAS, the University intends to issue its General Revenue Refunding Bonds, 2020 Series W (Taxable), in a principal amount not to exceed \$59,000,000 (the “Bonds”) for the following purposes: (i) defeasing and refunding certain outstanding general revenue bonds as described in Exhibit B to the herein defined Twentieth Supplemental Indenture, and (ii) paying costs of issuing the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Bonds will be issued under and pursuant to, and secured by, the Master Indenture and a Twentieth Supplemental Indenture (the “Twentieth Supplemental Indenture”); the Twentieth Supplemental Indenture shall be in the form presented to and made part of the records of this meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Bonds are to be offered by negotiated sale pursuant to the terms of a bond purchase agreement (the “Bond Purchase Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, in connection with the public offering of the Bonds, a preliminary official statement (the “Preliminary Official Statement”) will be provided to potential purchasers of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Bond Purchase Agreement and Preliminary Official Statement shall be in the forms presented to and made part of the records of this meeting; and

WHEREAS, bonds issued under the terms of the Master Indenture, and corresponding supplemental indentures, are secured by a parity reserve fund (the “Reserve Fund”); and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2013, the University entered into a supplemental indenture which, among other things, modified and amended the Master Indenture to eliminate the establishment of the Reserve Fund which becomes effective after all bonds issued prior to March 1, 2013 cease to be outstanding; and

WHEREAS, on the date of issuance of the Bonds, all of the University revenue bonds issued prior to March 1, 2013 will cease to be outstanding under the terms of the Master Indenture and corresponding supplemental indentures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The issuance of the Bonds in an amount not to exceed the aggregate principal amount of \$59,000,000 is hereby authorized and approved subject to the terms and conditions herein stated. The Bonds shall be designated as the “University of Alaska General Revenue Refunding Bonds, 2020 Series W (Taxable)” or such further designation as deemed appropriate by an Authorized Officer.

Section 2. The President or the President’s designee, the Chief Finance Officer and the Chief Treasury Officer (collectively, the “Authorized Officers”) are, and each of them is, hereby authorized to cause the Bonds to be sold on a date no later than one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of approval of this Resolution, subject to the terms and conditions of this Resolution.

Section 3. The Authorized Officers are, and each of them is, hereby authorized to offer the Bonds at negotiated sale to BofA Securities, Inc., as representative of the underwriters set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement (the “Underwriter”) pursuant to the terms of the Bond Purchase Agreement.

The form and content of the Bond Purchase Agreement are hereby in all respects authorized, approved and confirmed, with such changes as an Authorized Officer considers necessary or appropriate.

An Authorized Officer is hereby authorized to execute the Bond Purchase Agreement regarding the sale of the Bonds upon their approval of the sale details of such Bonds, including, but not limited to, the aggregate principal amount of Bonds, the purchase price of the Bonds, the maturity and the interest payment dates of the Bonds, and the redemption provisions, if any, and interest rate of each maturity of the Bonds. Provided, however, (i) the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds shall not exceed Fifty-Nine Million Dollars (\$59,000,000), the true interest cost on the Bonds shall not exceed five percent (5.0 percent), and the Underwriter’s discount shall not exceed one percent (1.0 percent) of the par value of the Bonds.

Prior to execution of the Bond Purchase Agreement, such Authorized Officer, with the assistance of the University’s financial advisor, shall take into account those factors which, in their judgment, will result in the lowest true interest cost on the Bonds and achieves the financial objective of the University of creating, to the extent possible, a level annual debt service structure based on the University’s aggregate debt outstanding, consequently realizing cash flow relief in fiscal years 2021 to approximately 2027.

Section 4. Subject to Section 1 hereof, the Authorized Officers are, and each of them is, hereby authorized to issue the Bonds in an aggregate principal amount determined by an Authorized Officer as the amount necessary to (i) defease and refund all the outstanding bonds as set forth in Exhibit B to the Twentieth Supplemental Indenture and maturing no later than October 1, 2032, and (ii) pay costs associated with the issuance of the Bonds. Provided, however, defeasing and refunding such outstanding bonds so designated by an Authorized Officer may cause the University to realize an aggregate debt service loss of no more than two and a half percent (2.5 percent) of the principal amount of the outstanding bonds so designated, net of issuance costs and Underwriter’s discount, on a present value basis. Subject to the foregoing, an Authorized Officer is hereby authorized to direct The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as the trustee of the outstanding bonds to be refunded to redeem all such bonds subject to redemption on the first available redemption date in accordance with the terms of the corresponding authorizing supplemental indenture.

Section 5. The form and content of the Supplemental Indenture are hereby, in all respects authorized, approved, and confirmed, and each of the Authorized Officers is hereby, in all respects severally authorized, empowered, and directed to execute and deliver the Supplemental Indenture for and on behalf of the University to the Trustee named therein for the security of the Bonds, including necessary counterparts, in the form now before this meeting, but with such changes, modifications, additions, and deletions therein as shall to them seem necessary, desirable, or appropriate, the execution thereof to constitute conclusive evidence of their approval of any and all changes, modifications, additions, or deletions thereto from the form, and after the execution and delivery of the Supplemental Indenture, the Authorized Officers are, and each of them is, hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to do all such acts and things and to execute all such documents as may be necessary or convenient to carry out and comply with the provisions of the Supplemental Indenture as executed.

The form and content of the Bonds as set forth in the Supplemental Indenture are hereby, in all respects, authorized, approved, and confirmed subject to appropriate insertions and revisions as an Authorized Officer considers necessary or appropriate.

Section 6. The form and content of the Preliminary Official Statement are hereby in all respects authorized, approved and confirmed. The Authorized Officers are, and each of them is, hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to approve the final form of a Preliminary Official Statement and to declare such final form as “deemed final” by the University for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (17 CFR 240.15c2-12) (the “Rule”) and to approve the final form of the Official Statement. The final form of the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement shall be in the same form as the Preliminary Official Statement presented to and as a part of the records of this meeting, but with such changes as an Authorized Officer considers necessary or appropriate to disclose to purchasers of Bonds all material information relating thereto. The distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement, as each is approved by an Authorized Officer, to prospective purchasers and the use thereof by the purchasers in connection with the offering of the Bonds is hereby ratified, confirmed, and approved.

Section 7. The Authorized Officers are, and each of them is, hereby authorized to deliver the Bonds to the Trustee for authentication under the Master Indenture, and, upon authentication and receipt of the purchase price of the Bonds, to deliver to the Trustee a written order in the name of the University directing the Trustee to deliver the Bonds to, or upon the order of, the Underwriter and to receive the proceeds of sale of the Bonds and give a written receipt therefor on behalf of the University, to apply said proceeds and the other moneys required to be transferred, including amounts held in the Reserve Fund to the Debt Service Fund, or deposited in accordance with the terms of the Master Indenture and Supplemental Indenture in such manner as is required to cause the conditions precedent to the issuance of the Bonds to be complied with, and to do and perform or cause to be done and performed, for and on behalf of the University, all acts and things that constitute conditions precedent to the authentication and delivery of the Bonds or that are otherwise required to be done and performed by or on behalf of the University prior to or simultaneously with the delivery of the Bonds.

Section 8. The Authorized Officers are, and each of them is, hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to enter a “continuing disclosure undertaking” pursuant to the Rule.

Section 9. The Authorized Officers are, and each of them is, hereby authorized to execute all documents in connection with the issuance of the Bonds and to take any action necessary or desirable to carry out the provisions of this Resolution and to effectuate the issuance and delivery of the Bonds. Included in this authorization is direction for an Authorized Officer to enter into an escrow agreement in connection with transaction, providing for use and disposition of permitted investments and moneys, if any, for the purposes set forth in the Supplemental Indenture.

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. is hereby authorized to serve as escrow agent under the terms of an escrow agreement entered into in connection with the redemption, defeasance and refunding of the designated outstanding bonds.

Section 10. The Authorized Officers are, and each of them is, hereby authorized to secure a policy of insurance for the Bonds.

Section 11. The Recitals to this Resolution are hereby incorporated into this Resolution as if fully set forth in this Resolution.

Section 12. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval by the Board.

**3. Approval of Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Note Restructure**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents authorizes the president and the chief finance officer to restructure the note payable with Alaska Housing Finance Corporation not to exceed an interest rate of 3.985 percent and a final maturity no later than February 2033, as further described herein. This motion is effective June 4, 2020.”

**4. Acceptance of the FY21 Operating Budget Appropriation and Approval of Distribution Plan**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents accepts the FY21 Operating Budget Appropriation as presented. This motion is effective June 4, 2020.”

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the FY21 Operating Budget Distribution Plan as presented. This motion is effective June 4, 2020.”

**5. Approval of the FY21 Natural Resources Fund Budget**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the proposed FY21 Natural Resources Fund Budget as presented. This motion is effective June 4, 2020.”

6. **Approval of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee New Business Items 11.A.1-10, 12-13, 16-18, 20-21, 23, 26, 33-35**

1. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Science in Geography and Environmental Resources at the University of Alaska Southeast

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Science in Geography and Environmental Resources at the University of Alaska Southeast, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

2. Approval to Change the Name of the Bachelor of Arts in Geography, Environmental and Outdoor Studies to the Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies at the University of Alaska Southeast

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves changing the name of the Bachelor of Arts in Geography, Environmental, and Outdoor Studies to the Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies at the University of Alaska Southeast. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

3. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Undergraduate Certificate in Legal Nurse Consultant Paralegal at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Undergraduate Certificate in Legal Nurse Consultant Paralegal at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

4. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Undergraduate Certificate in Civic Engagement at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Undergraduate Certificate in Civic Engagement at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

5. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Associate of Applied Science in Aviation Administration at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Associate of Applied Science in Aviation Administration at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

6. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Arts in Hospitality Administration at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Arts in Hospitality Administration at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon “completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

7. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Associate of Applied Science in Welding and Nondestructive Testing at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Associate of Applied Science in Welding and Nondestructive Testing at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

8. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Associate of Applied Science in Logistics and Supply Chain Operations at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Associate of Applied Science in Logistics and Supply Chain Operations at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

9. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Undergraduate Certificate in Logistics and Supply Chain Operations at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Undergraduate Certificate in Logistics and Supply Chain Operations at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

10. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Business Administration in Management Information Systems at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Business Administration in Management Information Systems at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”



12. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Master of Arts in English at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Master of Arts in English at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

13. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Master of Education in Early Childhood Special Education at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Master of Education in Early Childhood Special Education at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

16. Approval of the Major Revision and Reduction of the Bachelor of Arts in Dual Languages Option (Secondary Language Selection in Chinese) at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the major revision and reduction of the Bachelor of Arts in Dual Languages Option (Secondary Language Selection in Chinese) at the University of Alaska Anchorage. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

17. Approval of the Major Revision and Reduction of the Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and Public Communication at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the major revision and reduction of the Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and Public Communication at the University of Alaska Anchorage. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

18. Approval of the Discontinuation of Programs Previously Suspended at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the discontinuation of the following programs at the University of Alaska Fairbanks:

1. Master of Science in Water and Environment Science
2. Undergraduate Certificate in Safety, Health and Environmental Awareness Technology
3. Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry
4. Master of Arts in Chemistry
5. Master of Science in Biochemistry

**Meeting of the Full Board**

June 4-5, 2020

Zoom Conference

6. Master of Science in Environmental Chemistry
7. Master of Science in Resource and Applied Economics
8. Undergraduate Certificate in Mining Applications and Technologies
9. Master of Science in Computational Physics
10. Master of Science in Space Physics
11. Undergraduate Certificate in Power Generation
12. Associate of Applied Science in Renewable Resources
13. Undergraduate Certificate in Veterinary Science

This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

20. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Science in Sociology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Science in Sociology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

21. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Master of Education in Online Innovation and Design at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Master of Education in Online Innovation and Design at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

23. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Master of Education in Second Language Acquisition, Bilingual Education at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approved the immediate reduction of the Master of Education in Second Language Acquisition, Bilingual Education, at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

26. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Arts in Earth Science at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Arts in Earth Science at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

33. Approval of the Interdisciplinary Bachelor of Arts at the University of Alaska Southeast

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the Interdisciplinary Bachelor of Arts at the University of Alaska Southeast. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

34. Approval of Merging the Associate of Applied Science in Computer and Networking Technology with the Associate of Applied Science in Computer Systems Technology, and renaming as the Associate of Applied Science in Computer Systems and Network Technology at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves merging the Associate of Applied Science in Computer and Networking Technology with the Associate of Applied Science in Computer Systems Technology, and renaming as the Associate of Applied Science in Computer Systems and Network Technology at the University of Alaska Anchorage. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

35. Approval of the Undergraduate Certificate in Local Knowledge Educator at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the Undergraduate Certificate in Local Knowledge Educator at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

7. Approval of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee New Business Items 11.A.11, 14-15, 19, 22, 24, 25, 25.1., 27-32

11. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing and Literary Arts at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing and Literary Arts at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

14. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Sociology at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Sociology at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

15. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Arts in Theatre at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Arts in Theatre at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

19. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Arts in Sociology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Arts in Sociology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

22. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Master of Education in People, Place and Pedagogy at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Master of Education in People, Place and Pedagogy at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

24. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Master of Science in Atmospheric Science at the University of Alaska Fairbanks (Moved from Consent Agenda Item 12.B.)

POSTONED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Master of Science in Atmospheric Science at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

25. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Doctorate of Philosophy in Atmospheric Science at the University of Alaska Fairbanks (Moved from Consent Agenda Item 12.B.)

POSTPONED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Doctorate of Philosophy in Atmospheric Science at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

**Meeting of the Full Board**

June 4-5, 2020

Zoom Conference

25.1. Approval to Postpone Consideration to Discontinue the Master of Science and the Doctorate of Philosophy in Atmospheric Science at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves to postpone consideration to discontinue the Master of Science and the Doctorate of Philosophy in Atmospheric Science at the University of Alaska Fairbanks to the Board's January 2021 meeting. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

27. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Arts in Geography at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Arts in Geography at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

28. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Science in Geography at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Science in Geography at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

29. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Undergraduate Certificate of Environmental Studies at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Undergraduate Certificate of Environmental Studies at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

30. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Undergraduate Certificate of Ethnobotany at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Undergraduate Certificate of Ethnobotany at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

31. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Science in Environment and Society at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Science in Environment and Society at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effective upon completion of teach out. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

32. Approval of the Major Revision and Reduction of the Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Geological Engineering at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the major revision and reduction of the Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Geological Engineering at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

8. **Approval of the Fairbanks North Star Borough Recycling Center Lease Extension**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the renewal of the Fairbanks North Star Borough Recycling Center Lease Extension as presented, and all rents received from the lease shall continue to be disbursed to the University of Alaska Fairbanks for the operation and maintenance of the University of Alaska Fairbanks Aurora Warehouse. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

9. **Approval of the Quota Subdivision Disposal Plan**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the Quota Subdivision Disposal Plan as presented, and following conclusion of the public comment period, authorizes the university administration to proceed with the sale. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

10. **Approval of a Resolution of Appreciation for Susan Behlke Foley**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for Susan Behlke Foley. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

WHEREAS, Susan Behlke Foley has led the University of Alaska Foundation with dedication and integrity since 2016; and

WHEREAS, a third-generation Alaskan, Susan Behlke Foley brought substantial philanthropic, executive and non-profit leadership to the University of Alaska Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Susan Behlke Foley earned her undergraduate degree in economics from Whitman College and received her Juris Doctor from Lewis & Clark Northwestern School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Susan Behlke Foley was co-founder, partner, and shareholder in the law firm of Foley, Foley, & Pearson, P.C. before joining the University of Alaska Foundation, and during that time she assisted hundreds of Alaskans with estate planning, which often included helping clients with philanthropic and charitable giving decisions; and

WHEREAS, Susan Behlke Foley frequently lectured on all aspects of charitable planning, philanthropy, and wealth transfer planning, and shares her significant teaching and speaking experience for a multitude of community and professional groups, statewide and nationally; and

WHEREAS, Susan Behlke Foley has been active in philanthropic and charitable organizations throughout her professional career including as a former member and chair of the board of directors of the Alaska Community Foundation; a member of the Planned Giving Goals and Visioning Committee for United Way of Anchorage and the School Board of Grace Christian School;

WHEREAS, Susan Behlke Foley was the 2014 recipient of the Outstanding Volunteer in Philanthropy Award from the Alaska Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals; and

WHEREAS, Susan Behlke Foley oversaw the creation of the first-ever, systemwide comprehensive philanthropic campaign in the university's history; and

WHEREAS, Susan Behlke Foley will be remembered for her entertaining presentations and updates to the Board of Regents and Foundation Board of Directors including the distinctive use of props, metaphors, and stories; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure as foundation president, Susan Behlke Foley demonstrated a unique understanding of the human condition and was always willing to mentor others, talk through difficult issues whether of a personal or professional nature, and always sought to give comfort to her staff and her colleagues during difficult times.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Board of Regents officially recognizes and thanks Susan Behlke Foley for her service to the University of Alaska, she will be sincerely missed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and conveyed to Susan Behlke Foley with a copy incorporated into the official minutes of the June 4-5, 2020, meeting of the Board of Regents.

**11. Approval of a Resolution of Appreciation for Richard Caulfield**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for Richard Caulfield. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

WHEREAS, after more than 35 years of dedicated and distinctive service to the University of Alaska, including serving as University of Alaska Southeast chancellor since 2015, Dr. Richard Caulfield announced plans to retire at the end of the 2020 academic year; and

WHEREAS, Richard Caulfield began his academic career at the University of Alaska Fairbanks Bristol Bay Campus in Dillingham where he implemented blended online and in-person instruction; rose to the rank of full professor at the University of Alaska Fairbanks Department of Alaska Native and Rural Development; and, during his 10 years in that role, expanded the distance programs offered by the University of Alaska Fairbanks and created the master’s degree in rural development; and

WHEREAS, as director of the University of Alaska Fairbanks Community and Technical College, Richard Caulfield developed working relationships with industry partners and expanded community support for the university’s community college mission, and took great joy in seeing its students succeed; and

WHEREAS, when the University of Alaska Southeast provost position became available, Richard Caulfield took the opportunity to put his professional training and experiences — rural teaching, international research, community college leadership and more —to work; and

WHEREAS, moving to Juneau, joining the talented faculty and staff at the University of Alaska Southeast, the appeal of the small student-centered and nimble university, and especially being closer to the ocean might also have inspired his application to become the University of Alaska Southeast provost; and

WHEREAS, in May 2015, Richard Caulfield was selected to be the University of Alaska Southeast chancellor, and during his time as chancellor he oversaw the development of the Alaska College of Education, consolidating leadership of education programs across the university system and ensuring that the University remains a leader in training the next generation of Alaska teachers; and

WHEREAS, under Richard Caulfield’s leadership in 2019, the University of Alaska Southeast’s accreditation was reaffirmed by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, which praised the university’s inclusion of Alaska Native cultures, commitment to student retention, and successful integration of three distinct campuses into one cohesive university; and



WHEREAS, Richard Caulfield earned his Ph.D. in Development Studies from the University of East Anglia in the United Kingdom with a dissertation focused on aboriginal subsistence whaling in Greenland (Kalaallit Nunaat) and the cultural dynamics of natural resource use in the Arctic; his research on whaling in Greenland led to two books, and fluency in both Danish and Kalaallisut, the Greenlandic Inuit language; and

WHEREAS, Richard Caulfield's research interests in the cultural dynamics of natural resource use took him to Greenland, Denmark, Canada, New Zealand, and Russia, and his dedication to full inclusion for Alaska Native ways of knowing in academia led to his receiving the Dennis Demmert Award for Excellence in serving Alaska Native Students in both 1996 and 2001; and

WHEREAS, Richard Caulfield's dedication to science includes service on national and international science steering committees and boards, including the National Science Foundation Oceans-Atmosphere-Ice Interactions Scientific Committee, the International Arctic Social Sciences Association, and the University of the Arctic; and

WHEREAS, Richard Caulfield earned a Master's degree in Education from the University of Alaska Fairbanks, and a Bachelor of the Arts in Political Science and a Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources from the University of California, Berkeley; and

WHEREAS, a 45-year Alaska resident, Richard Caulfield combined academic and professional interests with experience in commercial fishing, flying, sailing, home construction, dog mushing, hunting, fishing, and other outdoor pursuits; and

WHEREAS, his university colleagues look forward to hearing about the retirement adventures of Richard Caulfield and his wife Annie on their many adventures traveling around the world as well as from their 30-foot Fisher pilothouse motorsailer which allows them to explore, fish and relax on the ocean they both love; and

WHEREAS, the honor of Chancellor Emeritus has been bestowed upon Richard Caulfield by President Johnsen.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Board of Regents officially recognizes and thanks Dr. Richard Caulfield for his service to the University of Alaska, his dedication to its students, commitment to inter-university collaboration, ease of conversation and all-around positive contributions to the university, he will be sincerely missed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and conveyed to Richard Caulfield with a copy incorporated into the official minutes of the June 4-5, 2020, meeting of the Board of Regents.

**12. Approval of a Resolution of Appreciation for Michael Hostina**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for Michael Hostina. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina has served the University of Alaska with tireless dedication, integrity, and excellence for more than 20 years and will retire in June 2020; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina was appointed as university general counsel in October 2011; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina served as associate general counsel for the university from 2002-2011; as the university’s director of labor relations from 1998-2002; and as regional director and legal counsel for the State of Alaska Ombudsman’s Office in Fairbanks from 1989-1995; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina received his law degree from Temple University Law School; and

WHEREAS, in his role as general counsel, Michael Hostina is tasked with navigating an increasingly complex web of state and federal laws, as well as policies, regulations, collective bargaining agreements, and varied university procedures, and is depended upon to advise university administrators regarding compliance with laws governing a wide array of issues on every aspect of managing the university; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina led the university through some of the most turbulent times and issues in the university’s history with integrity and commitment, providing steady counsel and guidance; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina’s thoughtful legal analysis and exemplary writing skills consistently improved the way decisions, communications and plans were framed such that the university’s students, staff and faculty welfare were always the first consideration; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina’s “students first” philosophy earned him recognition as the 2019 Staff Make Students Count Award recipient for the statewide office; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina has spent his university career committed to a culture free from barriers such as harassment and discrimination, and dedicated to the many values exemplified by an institution of higher learning including the freedom of expression; and

WHEREAS, when approaching complex issues, Michael Hostina steadfastly abides by the principle that the “right answer” is the one that abides by the law and does what is best for students and employees; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina’s day rarely ended at 5:00 p.m., frequently working well into the evening hours and over weekends with a selfless dedication to his work and the University of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina has cultured an atmosphere of collegiality and respect among his colleagues and has provided countless hours of mentorship to members of the University’s General Counsel’s Office for which his staff and colleagues will be forever grateful; and

WHEREAS, the title of General Counsel Emeritus has been bestowed upon Michael Hostina by President Johnsen.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Board of Regents officially recognizes and thanks Michael Hostina for his service to the University of Alaska and its students, he will be sincerely missed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and conveyed to Michael Hostina with a copy incorporated into the official minutes of the June 4-5, 2020, meeting of the Board of Regents.

**13. Approval of a Memorandum of Agreement between the University of Alaska and the United Academics – AAUP/AFT**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents conditionally approves a memorandum of agreement between the University of Alaska and United Academics – AAUP/AFT to extend the current Collective Bargaining Agreement to December 31, 2021, subject to approval by the State of Alaska Department of Administration. This motion is effective June 05, 2020.”

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

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the Industrial Security Resolution as revised, to reflect changes to administrative staff and authorizes the chair and secretary of the board to sign the resolution. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

**15. Approval of the FY20 Presidential Performance Goals**

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the FY20 Presidential Performance Goals as presented. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”