

**Official Minutes
Board of Regents
Meeting of the Full Board
June 3-4, 2021
Zoom Conference**

1. Individuals Present

Regents Present:

Sheri Buretta, Chair
Karen Perdue, Vice Chair
Dale Anderson, Secretary, attended June 4
Lisa Parker, Treasurer
John Davies
Darroll R. Hargraves
Mary K. Hughes
J. Scott Jepsen
Ralph Seekins
Kali Spencer

Regent Absent:

John Bania

Pat Pitney, Interim Chief Executive Officer and President, University of Alaska

Others Present:

Karen Carey, Chancellor, University of Alaska Southeast
Bruce Schultz, Interim Chancellor, University of Alaska Anchorage
Daniel M. White, Chancellor, University of Alaska Fairbanks
Matthew Cooper, General Counsel
Myron Dosch, Chief Financial Officer
Paul Layer, Vice President for Academics, Students and Research
Michelle Rizk, Vice President for University Relations and Chief Strategy, Planning and Budget Officer
David Bishko, Interim Chief Human Resources Officer
Brandi Berg, Executive Officer, Board of Regents
Julie A.K. 'Jak' Maier, Faculty Alliance Chair, attended June 3
Heather Batchelder, Faculty Alliance Past Chair, attended June 4
Mathew Mund, Staff Alliance Chair

2. Opening Items

A. Call to Order

Chair Buretta called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. on Thursday, June 3, 2021.

B. Adoption of Agenda

PASSED

"The Board of Regents adopts the agenda as presented. This motion is effective June 3, 2021."

Motion by Darroll R Hargraves, second by Lisa M Parker.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Kali Spencer

Not Present at Vote: Dale G Anderson, Ralph Seekins

C. Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting of February 25-26, 2021

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the minutes of its regular meeting of February 25-26, 2021 as presented. This motion is effective June 3, 2021."

Motion by John Davies, second by Karen Perdue.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Kali Spencer

Not Present at Vote: Dale G Anderson, Ralph Seekins

3. Reports

A. President's Presentation and Report

President Pitney welcomed Regents Jepsen and Spencer; thanked Interim Chancellor Schultz for his service to UAA; introduced Chancellor Parnell; presented the Staff Make Students Count awards to Allie Hartman from the University of Alaska Anchorage, Stacey Howdeshell from the University of Alaska Fairbanks, Cheryl Stromme from the University of Alaska Southeast Sitka Campus, and Steve Mullins from the University of Alaska System Office (video timestamp 11:45) and provided an update on the following topics: COVID-19 return to work plans; updating the board's goals and measures to align with the strategic efforts at the campuses; UA's HR operations; the search for a chief human resources officer and noted she is reviewing the UA Administrative Review Committee's report. (video timestamp 1:38:07)

B. Chancellors' Reports

Chancellor White provided an update on the following topics: UAF's participation in the nationwide steel bridge competition; the UA Museum bowhead whale exhibit; a \$1M Bill Stroecker Foundation award; geophysicist Robert Herrick's science mission to Venus; receiving \$20M in new research awards; the edX platform being available to students across the globe; completion of the North Star College's first year; eCampus' Alaska Advantage program; enrollment trends and strategic goals including modernizing the student experience. (video timestamp 36:00)

Chancellor Carey provided an update on the following topics: enrollment trends; partnerships with UAF College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, State of Alaska Fish and Game, and others to host a mariculture conference in March 2022; a marine policy joint program with UAF; the goals and strategies for the Alaska Native Success Initiative; a dual enrollment collaboration with the Juneau School District; virtual spring commencement; faculty excellence and staff development day; new hires in its Title IX Office and a new dean in the College of Arts and Sciences and thanked Executive Dean Atwater, Interim Dean Martin, and Dr. Christian for their service to UAS and Interim Chancellor Schultz for his service to UAA. (video timestamp 47:39)

Interim Chancellor Schultz provided an update on the following topics: virtual spring commencement; educating Alaskans for Alaska health professions; a \$15M estate gift from the late Caroline "Carrie" E.B. Lewis; women's gymnastics exceeding its first year fundraising goal; men's hockey raising 75 percent of its fundraising goal; faculty and staff achievements; Scott Hamel, associate professor and chair of the Civil Engineering Department, was honored with the 2020 Engineer of the Year award; the partnership with Willamette University College of Law; enrollment trends and grants and scholarships for students. (video timestamp 52:33)

C. Governance Reports

Julie A.K. 'Jak' Maier, Faculty Alliance chair, noted appreciation for the opportunity to provide a report to the board; congratulated the Staff Make Students Count (SMSC) award recipients and reported on the following issues: recognition of four outstanding faculty members; refining the board's goals and measures; working together and utilizing faculty members with specific expertise regarding student success and world-class research and support for the Alaska Native Success Initiative and the Alaska College of Education Consortium. (video timestamp 1:07:50)

Mathew Mund, Staff Alliance chair, thanked the board for starting the meeting with the SMSC awards and reported on the following issues: summer events for students and staff; the uncertainty and safety concerns regarding COVID-19 return to work Phase C guidelines; staff morale survey; ideas regarding how the board and the administration can engage with governance in a meaningful and collaborative way; FY22 and FY23 compensation; the board's goals and measures discussion; staff concerns regarding workflow; why increasing enrollment does not address staff morale or workload; suggestions regarding what board members can do to help staff and thanked the board and the administration for the opportunity to represent staff. (video timestamp 1:18:57)

Regent Spencer provided the student governance report noting the following items: the United Students of the University of Alaska Anchorage have completed its elections, passed three resolutions and one constitutional amendment; the Student Government University of Alaska Southeast completed its elections, passed a resolution in support of HB5, created a social justice committee and passed a constitutional amendment; and the Associated Students of the University of Alaska Fairbanks is working on completing its elections and is involved with UAF's production of Pride & Prejudice. (video timestamp 1:32:48)

4. University of Alaska Administration Presentation Regarding the Process, Timeline, and Initial Considerations for the Board of Regents' Goals & Measures

A. University of Alaska Administration Presentation Regarding the Process, Timeline, and Initial Considerations for the Board of Regents' Goals & Measures

The Board of Regents and Interim President Pitney discussed the board's goals and measures. (video timestamp 1:55:50)

5. Financial Briefing

A. Financial Briefing

Chief Finance Officer Dosch provided a financial briefing. (video timestamp 3:09:45)

6. Government Relations Report

A. Government Relations Report

State Relations Director Hutchison and Federal Relations Director Bryant provided an update on government relations issues affecting the University of Alaska. (video timestamp 3:26:40)

7. UA Budget Discussion / FY22 & 23 Budgets including Academic Year 23 Tuition

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Board members, Interim President Pitney, and administrative staff discussed the university's FY22 and FY23 budgets. (video timestamp 3:52:00)

8. FY22 Budget Approval Items

A. Acceptance of the FY22 Operating Budget Appropriation and Approval of Distribution Plan

POSTPONED

"The Board of Regents accepts the FY22 Operating Budget Appropriation as presented. This motion is effective June 3, 2021."

POSTPONED

"The Board of Regents approves the FY22 Operating Budget Distribution Plan as presented. This motion is effective June 3, 2021."

POLICY CITATION

Regents' Policy 05.01.040 – Acceptance of State Appropriations states, "The board must accept state appropriations to the university before any expenditure may be made against the appropriation."

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION

As of Thursday, June 3, 2021, the Legislature had not passed an operating budget or a capital budget.

B. Acceptance of the FY22 Capital Budget Appropriation and Approval of Distribution Plan

POSTPONED

"The Board of Regents accepts the FY22 Capital Budget Appropriation as presented. This motion is effective June 3, 2021."

POSTPONED

"The Board of Regents approves the FY22 Capital Budget Distribution Plan as presented. This motion is effective June 3, 2021."

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C. Approval of the FY22 Natural Resources Fund Budget

Note for the record: Regent Davies wanted to address the reconfiguration of the UA Press by it joining a consortium of university publishing offices headed by the University of Colorado and disclosed his wife had in the past authored a book that had been published by UA Press.

Chair Buretta determined that Regent Davies' personal and financial interest in the matter was insignificant and would not preclude him from making his observations. The new consortium arrangement would not affect any royalty payments owed to authors from already-published works.

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the proposed FY22 Natural Resources Fund Budget as presented. This motion is effective June 3, 2021."

Motion by Mary K Hughes, second by Ralph Seekins.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

Not Present at Vote: Dale G Anderson, Karen Perdue

POLICY CITATION

Regents' Policy 05.07.010 - Land-Grant Endowment, provides that the university president will present an annual budget to the board for approval.

RECOMMENDATION

| FY22 Natural Resources Fund Budget | Approved FY21 | Proposed FY22 |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| University of Alaska Scholars Program | \$ 3,500,000 | \$ 3,200,000 |
| Land Management | 970,000 | 970,000 |
| Student Recruitment and Retention | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| Academic Transformation Support | 300,000 | - |
| Cooperative Extension Support | 300,000 | 400,000 |
| edX Initiative | 200,000 | 200,000 |
| System-based scholarships | 180,000 | 170,000 |
| University of Alaska Press | 120,000 | 120,000 |
| Faculty Initiative Fund | - | 300,000 |
| Innovation Fund | - | 240,000 |
| Staff Development Fund | - | 100,000 |
| Phase I - Student IT Modernization | - | 500,000 |
| Unallocated (hold as contingency) | 330,000 | - |
| Total | \$ 6,200,000 | \$ 6,500,000 |

RATIONALE

Per Regents' Policy the Natural Resources Fund (NRF) is to be used to "provide a margin of support over and above" what otherwise would be possible through traditional state, federal and private sources, and used to provide funding to projects and programs necessary to establish or enhance the quality of the university's academic programs, research, or public service. The sources of the funds available comes from the spending allowance generated by the Land Grant Endowments, currently set by the board at 4.5 percent of the average of the December 31 market value for the immediately preceding five years of the fund. Withdrawal of earnings in any fiscal year is limited to the unexpended accumulated earnings of the endowment as of the preceding December 31.

UA Scholars Program: The allocation request is based on the program being the university's largest scholarship outreach program and consists of an award of \$12,000 paid over a period of eight semesters at \$1,500 per semester. The award is available to the top 10 percent of the graduates from every high school in Alaska. The decrease in the total allocation to the Scholars Program over the prior year reflects a decreasing number of total awardees of about five percent.

Land Management: The allocation is based on board policy that provides a portion of the spending allowance for the management and maintenance of university land. The allocation will help fund support costs for the federal land grant

initiative and additional outreach to develop lands.

Student Recruitment and Retention: This funding supplements campus efforts to increase recruitment and improve student retention and completion rates. In addition, the funding will be focused on marketing, e-Learning course development, enrollment incentives, and degree completion.

Cooperative Extension Support: Cooperative Extension has used these funds to build capacity in Alaska communities by providing significant portions of salaries for employees providing educational outreach related to 4-H and natural resources. The funding has financed the majority of work done by extension's Bethel agent, Sitka program assistant, Fairbanks state 4-H program faculty, Mat-Su 4-H faculty member, Kodiak and Bristol Bay 4-H program assistants, and the South Central natural resources programs headquartered out of the Palmer Research and Extension Center. In addition, the Kenai Peninsula agriculture agent and natural resource assistant and Anchorage extension coordinator were covered by the NRF as well. With this funding, the extension has been able to deliver youth-driven programming including healthy living, cultural appreciation and suicide prevention.

edX Initiative: The University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) is the unparalleled Arctic research institution and Alaska is at the leading edge of climate change. Although UAF's leadership position in research and the emerging importance of the Arctic is clear, its platform for sharing the university's expertise to learners of the world is limited. Through a partnership with a leading provider of Massive Open Online Courses, edX, UAF gains a channel to share its expertise on the global stage. Membership in the edX consortium provides valuable opportunities for meeting public outreach requirements for research grants, as well as a platform for sharing the university's unique expertise with the world. FY22 is year two of a three-year commitment.

System-based scholarships: The allocation request represents awards offered as community goodwill, through seven organizations as well as the state's foster youth program. Consistent with the UA Scholars program the community awards have been increased by \$125 per semester as of June 2014. The foster youth award amount covers 144 credits of tuition for 10 semesters over six years. The foster youth cost is variable with tuition increases.

University of Alaska Press: The allocation request is based on a long-standing commitment to supplement its operations, most recently affirmed by the board in June 2020.

Faculty Initiative Fund: To promote inter-university collaboration in program development, scholarly endeavors and student engagement with the goal of reducing the cost to degree and promoting internship opportunities for students.

Innovation Fund: To foster a culture of innovation through investments in leadership development, administrative efficiency and process improvement, and internal and external partnerships.

Staff Development Fund: To promote staff and supervisor training and development, recognition, and mentoring/coaching opportunities.

Phase I – Student IT Modernization: The university seeks to modernize student-facing technology and processes, so that the student's experience is easy, efficient and well-received. The investment is intended to support the university's recruitment, retention and student success strategies and facilitate easier access to higher education for all Alaskans. Currently, UA's student-facing systems are approximately 30 years old, out of date and compare poorly against peers in terms of delivering a quality student experience. Modern systems are capable of better facilitating student recruitment, retention and success and UA must improve these capabilities to remain competitive in the marketplace.

9. Alaska Native Success Initiative Update

A. Alaska Native Success Initiative Update

Interim President Pitney provided an update on the efforts to improve recruitment and retention of Alaska Native students, faculty, and staff. The action team leads for each university, Michelle Yatchmeneff and Jennifer Booz for the University of Alaska Anchorage, Charlene Stern for the University of Alaska Fairbanks, and Ronald Cadiente Brown for the University of Alaska Southeast, provided data overviews and preliminary recommendations. (video timestamp 5:20:11)

10. Did You Know Presentation

A. Did You Know Presentation

The "Did You Know" project is designed to highlight university excellence and collaboration through storytelling and data. The goal is to inform the Board of Regents and all university stakeholders about the university's key role in changing lives and shaping the state's economy.

The presentation highlighted the university's Blue Economy programs across the system. The personal story as told in the video illustrates the vital and profound impact the university has on UA's graduates and the state of Alaska.

<https://youtu.be/L1IrNkfZUcs>

All "Did You Know" success stories can be found at <https://www.alaska.edu/news/did-you-know/> (video timestamp 6:12:37)

11. UA Foundation Items

A. UA Foundation Report

UA Foundation President Burnett provided an update on university system development efforts and University of Alaska Foundation activities. (video timestamp 7:07:44)

B. Approval of Modifications to the Memorandum of Understanding between the University of Alaska Board of Regents and the University of Alaska Foundation Board of Directors

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves modifications to the Memorandum of Understanding, as approved by the UA Foundation Board of Directors on May 25, 2021. This motion is effective June 3, 2021."

Motion by Mary K Hughes, second by Ralph Seekins.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

Not Present at Vote: Dale G Anderson, Karen Perdue

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION

As part of the FY22 Board of Regents approved budget, the UA Foundation budget and staff were transitioned from the University of Alaska to the non-profit UA Foundation. The principal purpose for the change was to better reflect in UA's budget that both foundation costs and expenses (staff and otherwise) are principally borne by the foundation and not the university.

The university and the foundation acknowledge that a co-employment relationship exists. The amended Memorandum of Understanding between the University of Alaska Board of Regents and the University of Alaska Foundation Board of Directors was presented for approval.

The UA Foundation Board of Directors met on May 25, 2021, and reviewed the proposed second amended University of Alaska Board of Regents and the University of Alaska Foundation Board of Directors Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The following documents were reviewed by the board of directors:

Attachments:

- Proposed second amended MOU (blackline version).
- Redline version of the proposed second amended MOU.
- Current amended MOU, dated November 11, 2017.
- Stoel Rives LLP memo on employee benefits coverage for UA Foundation employees.

The UA Foundation Board of Directors unanimously passed the following motion: "The Board of Directors approves the second amended University of Alaska Board of Regents and the University of Alaska Foundation Board of Directors Memorandum of Understanding as presented and subject to the approval of the Board of Regents as presented. This motion is effective May 25, 2021."

The UA Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization separate and distinct from the university. The UA Foundation was created to serve and support the university as set forth in its governing documents. (video timestamp 7:18:46)

12. Alaska College of Education Update

A. Alaska College of Education Update

Interim President Pitney provided an update on the Alaska College of Education. (video timestamp 7:27:08)

13. Committee Reports and New Business

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

In addition to the action items, the committee received information regarding the exception to the common calendar for UAF's 2022 spring break and the proposed legislation (Senate Bill 36) requiring a biennial accreditation report and heard updates on the academic teach-outs, changes to the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities designation and a notice of actions on delegated programs. (video timestamp 7:57:12)

Note for the record: committee agenda item 3.C. Approval of a Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education at the University of Alaska Anchorage was referred back to the University's Academic Council, and Interim President Pitney withdrew UAF's request for the common calendar exception, noting UAF would use the previously approved common calendar for 2022.

B. Audit and Finance Committee

1. Approval of the FY22 Annual Audit Plan

PASSED

"The Board of Regents' Audit and Finance Committee approves the annual audit plan for fiscal year 2022 as presented. This motion is effective May 28, 2021."

2. Committee Report

In addition to the action items, the committee heard comments from the external auditor, received a financial briefing, an audit status report, a follow-up audit report, and held an executive session. (video timestamp 8:26:45)

C. Facilities and Land Management Committee

In addition to the action item, the committee received updates on IT, the UAF Matanuska Experiment Farm and Extension Center, monetizing capital assets, the land grant initiative, timber management, land disposal, heard reports regarding land management, the status of UA properties currently for sale, capital project approvals – delegation of authority, deferred maintenance and renewal spending, deferred maintenance and renewal distribution reallocation, received an update on the UAF high frequency active auroral research program and heard construction in progress reports. (video timestamp 8:32:08)

14. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Consent Agenda

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the consent agenda items 14.B.1-7., 14.C.1., and 14.D.1. as presented. This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

Motion by Darroll R Hargraves, second by John Davies.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Burette, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

B. Academic and Student Affairs Committee - Items from May 27, 2021

1. Direction to Establish the Alaska College of Education Consortium

PASSED

"In support of meeting the University of Alaska's goals for increasing the production of high-quality teachers and education leaders for Alaska, the Board of Regents directs the president to establish the Alaska College of Education Consortium (ACEC) in accordance with the plan entitled "Teacher Education at the University of Alaska: Alaska College of Education Consortium Pathways and Recommendations" presented to the Academic and Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Regents. Through separately accredited programs at UAA, UAF and UAS, the ACEC will ensure the offering of a full array of programs and services to educate students across the state and online through faculty in Schools of Education and affiliated programs at each university. The administration will provide a coordinated academic plan and regular updates on the planning and implementation process to the Academic and Student Affairs Committee. This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

2. Approval of Revisions to Regents' Policy 10.02.040 - Academic Unit Establishment, Major Revision, and Elimination

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves revisions to Regents' Policy 10.02.040 - Academic Unit Establishment, Major Revision, and Elimination as presented. This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE

Community Campuses

- Kenai Peninsula College
- Kodiak College
- Matanuska-Susitna College
- Prince William Sound College

College of Arts and Sciences

- Alaska State Climate Center (AS 14.10.085)
- ~~School of Education~~

College of Business and Public Policy

- Institute of Social and Economic Research (AS 14.40.110)

College of Engineering

College of Health

- School of Allied Health
- School of Nursing
- Institute for Circumpolar Health Studies (AS 14.40.088)
- School of Social Work
- WWAMI School of Medical Education

Community and Technical College

~~School of Education~~

University Honors College

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS

College of Engineering and Mines

- Mineral Industry Research Laboratory (AS 14.40.115)

College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences

- Kodiak Seafood and Marine Science Center (AS 16.52.010-070)
- Institute of Marine Science (AS 14.40.080)
- Seward Marine Center

College of Liberal Arts

College of Natural Science and Mathematics

~~School of Education~~

College of Rural and Community Development

- Alaska Native Language Center (AS 14.40.117)
- Bristol Bay Campus, Dillingham
- Chukchi Campus, Kotzebue
- Interior Alaska Campus, Fairbanks
- Kuskokwim Campus, Bethel
- Northwest Campus, Nome

Community and Technical College

Geophysical Institute

- Alaska Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration – Research, Development, Test and Evaluation (ACUASI-RDT & E)
- Alaska Earthquake Center (AS 14.40.075)
- Alaska Volcano Observatory (AS 14.40.075)

Poker Flat Research Range

Institute of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Extension
Cooperative Extension Service (federal mandate)

Institute of Arctic Biology

International Arctic Research Center

Rasmuson Library

School of Education

School of Management

University of Alaska Museum of the North

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA SOUTHEAST

Juneau Campus

School of Arts & Sciences

School of Career Education

~~Alaska College of Education~~

School of Education

Ketchikan Campus

Sitka Campus

3. Approval of a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Pre-Medical Studies at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Pre-Medical Studies at the University of Alaska Anchorage. This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

4. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Undergraduate Certificate in Construction Trades Technology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the discontinuation of the Undergraduate Certificate in Construction Trades Technology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

5. Approval of an Undergraduate Certificate in Indigenous Language Teaching at the University of Alaska Southeast

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves an Undergraduate Certificate in Indigenous Language Teaching at the University of Alaska Southeast. This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

6. Approval of an Undergraduate Certificate in Indigenous Language Speaking at the University of Alaska Southeast

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves an Undergraduate Certificate in Indigenous Language Speaking at the University of Alaska Southeast. This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

7. Approval of Revisions to Regents' Policy 05.10.080.B. - Tuition and Fee Waivers

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves revisions to Regents' Policy 05.10.080.B. - Tuition and Fee Waivers. This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

P05.10.080. Tuition and Fee Waivers.

A. The president or designee may waive tuition or student fees when such action is determined by the president to be in the best interest of the university.

B. Regular tuition shall be waived for Alaska residents who meet the following criteria: they must be **age 65 or greater on the first day of class** ~~eligible to receive full (unreduced) social security retirement benefits~~ and they must register on a

space available basis. "Space available basis" means when courses can accommodate such students in addition to other enrolled students.

C. Audit and Finance Committee - Item from May 28, 2021

1. Approval of Revisions to Regents' Policy 05.09 - Risk Services

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves revisions to Regents' Policy 05.09 - Risk Services. This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

D. Facilities and Land Management Committee - Item from May 27, 2021

1. Formal Project Approval for the University of Alaska Anchorage Building Energy Performance Upgrades

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the formal project approval request for the University of Alaska Anchorage Energy Performance Upgrades as presented in compliance with the approved campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to proceed through schematic design for a project not to exceed a total project cost of \$11,200,000. This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

15. Discussion and Feedback from Regents Regarding the Process, Timeline, and Initial Considerations for the Board of Regents' Goals & Measures

A. Discussion and Feedback from Regents Regarding the Process, Timeline, and Initial Considerations for the Board of Regents' Goals & Measures

Board members and Interim President Pitney will discuss the process and timeline for the Board of Regents' Goals & Measures. (video timestamp 6:40:50)

16. Title IX Update and Review of the Title IX Compliance Briefings

A. Title IX Update and Review of the Title IX Compliance Briefings

Chief Equity and Compliance Officer Gower provided a Title IX update, and Interim Chancellor Schultz, Chancellors Carey, and White reviewed the Title IX Compliance Briefings. (video timestamp 8:59:57)

17. Governance Committee

A. Discussion Regarding Board Governance

Regents Hughes stated the Board of Regents' self-assessment was complete and will be discussed in executive session during this meeting; shared the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges (AGB) new publication, *Principles of Trusteeship - Principles of Highly Effective Board Members*, noting next year's board self-assessment will include the book and said AGB's Statement on Justice, Equity, and Inclusion is posted in the BoardDocs library. (video timestamp 9:41:06)

18. Direction to Review and Revise Regents' Policy

A. Direction to Review and Revise Regents' Policy

PASSED

"The Board of Regents directs the Board of Regents' Executive Officer and General Counsel to review Regents' Policy and replace, where appropriate, "statewide" with "system" or "system office." This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

Motion by John Davies, second by Dale G Anderson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION

"Statewide" and "system office" are used inconsistently throughout Regents' Policy. Over time, there has been a shift in

preference for "system office" over "statewide" to better reflect the function of the system. This motion will authorize the board executive officer and general counsel to replace "statewide" with "system" or "system office" in Regents' Policy, where appropriate, to 1) bring the policies in line with the preference for "system office," and 2) ensure consistency in usage.

The board executive officer and general counsel will review Regents' Policy over the summer and report back to the board during the September 9-10, 2021 meeting regarding which policies required revisions.

19. Discussion Regarding Resuming In-person Board of Regents' Meetings

A. Discussion Regarding Resuming In-person Board of Regents' Meetings

Chair Buretta led the discussion regarding resuming in-person board meetings. (video timestamp 9:26:55)

20. Corporate Resolution

A. Approval of Revisions to the Industrial Security Resolution

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the Industrial Security Resolution as revised, to reflect changes to members of the board and authorizes the chair and secretary of the board to sign the resolution. This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

Motion by Mary K Hughes, second by Dale G Anderson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

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 university administration to have access to classified information.

The university has received similar security clearances since the mid-1950s. Execution of the resolution means that regents and other members of the administration will not have access to the classified information and are not in a position to affect the handling of classified information, thus do not need to be processed through security clearance procedures. The resolution is identical to resolutions previously passed except for changes to members of the board.

21. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

PASSED

"The Board of Regents goes into executive session to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect on the finances of the university related to personnel and compliance and matters which could affect the reputation or character of a person or persons related to board self-assessment. This motion is effective June 4, 2021."

Motion by John Davies, second by Mary K Hughes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Mary K Hughes, J Scott Jepsen, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins, Kali Spencer

Voting in opposition: Darroll R Hargraves

The Board of Regents went into executive session at 11:35 a.m. and concluded an executive session at 1:04 p.m. Alaska Time in accordance with AS 44.62.310 to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect on the finances of the university related to personnel and compliance and matters which could affect the reputation or character of a person or persons related to board self-assessment. The session included members of the Board of Regents, Interim President Pitney, General Counsel Cooper, and such other university staff members designated by the interim president and lasted 1 hour and 29 minutes.

22. Adjourn

A. Adjourn

Chair Buretta adjourned the meeting at 1:05 p.m. on Friday, June 4, 2021.

23. Public Testimony from May 24, 2021

John Anderson, Fairbanks resident and recent UAF graduate, stated he was dismayed at the UAF graduation event and that it was not the traditional ceremony; said the only option offered was the drive-through commencement, and the virtual commencement had low participation; stated he spent nine years obtaining his degree and said it was a slap in the face without the traditional ceremony.

Lael Oldmixon, Fairbanks resident and Alaska 529 and UA Scholars executive director, shared recent news regarding the 529 program, noting May 29 each year is 529 day; announced a recent partnership with the Alaska Boating Safety Program to sponsor more than 6,200 new personal floatation devices (PFDs) at the 680 loaner stations in Alaska and stated May 24-28, 2021 is Alaska boating safety week.

Teri Cothren, Anchorage resident and UA Workforce Programs associate vice president, shared exciting news regarding the Alaska Maritime Education Consortium being named among the best maritime workforce training facilities in the country by the U.S. Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration; stated UA and the Alaska Vocational Technical Center created the maritime partnership in 2019 and said the two entities have worked together on other programs for over a decade.

Lauren Hartman, Anchorage resident and System Office Staff Council president, shared information regarding UA's remote work survey, noting the overwhelming response from staff is to continue to work remotely with a dominant preference for a hybrid model; shared survey comments from staff, which included being more productive at home, the opportunity for after-hours meetings with students, a better work/life balance, an important way to provide a benefit in lieu of pay raises and the possibility for UA to reduce its building costs and its footprint and said engaging conversations with employees is ongoing.

Carmen Guzman, Anchorage resident, said the focus of UA should be to get back to in-person classes; stated UAA does not have the best graduation rate, its students are being held back, and faculty are not being lenient in the online learning environment; mentioned faculty are not being accountable for their actions or comments; said she does not have a solution, but perhaps the department chair should be held accountable, then refer the issue to the dean, noting departments are reluctant to do something about the issues and said UAA students can no longer attain help from the ombudsman office because the position is vacant.