Official Minutes
Board of Regents
Special Meeting of the Full Board
April 17, 2020
Zoom Conference

1. Individuals Present and Opening Items

Regents Present:
Sheri Buretta, Chair
Karen Perdue, Vice Chair
Dale Anderson, Secretary
Lisa Parker, Treasurer
John Bania
John Davies
Darroll R. Hargraves
Mary K. Hughes
Gloria O’Neill
Andy Teuber

Regent Absent:
Cachet Garrett

James R. Johnsen, Chief Executive Officer and President, University of Alaska

Others Present:
Rick Caulfield, Chancellor, University of Alaska Southeast
Cathy Sandeen, Chancellor, University of Alaska Anchorage
Daniel M. White, Chancellor, University of Alaska Fairbanks
Michael Hostina, General Counsel
Matthew Cooper, Associate 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
Mark Kondrak, Chief Information Technology Officer
Brandi Berg, Executive Officer, Board of Regents
Steve Mullins, Continuity Director and Emergency Planner for Statewide Risk Services
Mathew Mund, Staff Alliance Chair
Audrey Kirby, Coalition of Student Leaders Chair

A. Call to Order

Chair Buretta called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. on Friday, April 17, 2020.

B. Adoption of Agenda

PASSED
"The Board of Regents adopts the agenda as presented. This motion is effective April 17, 2020."

Motion by John Davies, second by Lisa M Parker.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Voting in favor: Dale G Anderson, John Bania, Sheri Buretta, John Davies, Darroll R Hargraves, Mary K Hughes, Lisa M Parker, Karen Perdue, Andy Teuber
Not Present at Vote: Gloria R O’Neill

2. COVID-19 Update

A. COVID-19 Update
President Johnsen provided an update regarding COVID-19, discussed the precautions UA has taken and reviewed UA administration's management efforts regarding the pandemic.

Chancellors Sandeen, White, and Caulfield reviewed their campus management efforts regarding the pandemic.

3. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

PASSED
"The Board of Regents goes into executive session to discuss matters which could affect the reputation or character of a person or persons related to an honorary degree. This motion is effective April 17, 2020."

Motion by John Davies, second by Karen Perdue.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

The Board of Regents went into executive session at 8:30 a.m. and concluded an executive session at 8:44 a.m. Alaska Time in accordance with AS 44.62.310 to discuss matters which could affect the reputation or character of a person or persons related to an honorary degree. The session included members of the Board of Regents, President Johnsen, General Counsel Hostina, and such other university staff members as the president designated and lasted 14 minutes.

4. Approval of an Honorary Degree

A. Approval of an Honorary Degree for Spring 2020

PASSED
"The Board of Regents approves a nominee for an honorary doctoral degree as proposed for commencement in spring 2020, and authorizes Chancellor Sandeen to invite the approved nominee and announce the acceptance. This motion is effective April 17, 2020."

Motion by John Davies, second by Lisa M Parker.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

POLICY CITATION
Regents’ Policy 10.03.020.A.
Honorary degrees may be conferred upon approval of the Board of Regents.

A. Criteria
The criterion for individuals to receive an honorary degree from the University of Alaska is evidence of a significant and lasting contribution to the university, to the State of Alaska, or to the individual’s discipline or profession.

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION
A recommendation submitted by the University of Alaska Anchorage for a recipient of an honorary degree was sent under separate cover for Board of Regents’ review prior to the April 17, 2020 board meeting.

5. Adjourn

A. Adjourn

Chair Buretta adjourned the meeting at 8:55 a.m. on Friday, April 17, 2020.