



Coalition of Student Leaders

Resolution AY2019-05

To demand transparency between the University of Alaska Administration and University of Alaska Students

- Whereas,** P09.02.010. General Statement: Student Rights and Responsibilities states: “to have access to accurate information regarding tuition, fees and charges”; **and**
- Whereas,** The University of Alaska system, including the administrations of UAA, UAF and UAS, has a duty to provide information regarding tuition, fees, and charges to its students in a clear and timely manner; **and**
- Whereas,** Students have expressed concern for the lack of communication from the University of Alaska Administration; **and**
- Whereas,** There have been incidences where information was not properly and sufficiently communicated; **and**
- Whereas,** Recent significant outages of the Blackboard system were not addressed by the UA Administration; **and**
- Whereas,** This event infringed upon student access to essential course materials; therefore affecting due dates and restricting student performance and success; **and**
- Whereas,** R03.01 - Faculty, Staff and Student Governance in the Board of Regents Policies and Regulation states:
- “It is the responsibility of the Coalition of Student Leaders to represent the students in areas that may include, but are not limited to: tuition and fees; financial aid and scholarships; residence life; minority and rural services; clubs and social activities; student media in all forms; health and safety; grievances; tools and resources; student employee relations, and other issues affecting the educational environment and availability of resources for student use”; **and**

Whereas, Miscommunication from the UA Administration would prevent the Coalition of Student Leaders from properly fulfilling its duties; **and**

Whereas, The Governor's proposed budget has instilled fear and uncertainty in UA students; **and**

Whereas, It is a critical time for the UA Administration to provide consistent and transparent information to its students; **and**

Whereas, Lack of communication will negatively impact the ability of the University of Alaska to recruit and retain students; **and now therefore let it be:**

Resolved,

That the Coalition of Student Leaders demand that the University of Alaska Administration **improve its communication by providing a consistent, open channel of communication between the Administration and UA students** within the University of Alaska system; **and**

Be it Further Resolved,

That the Coalition of Student Leaders demands the University of Alaska Administration to be **more transparent** about the processes involved and factors considered when making changes regarding tuition and fees; financial aid and scholarships; residence life; minority and rural services; clubs and social activities; student media in all forms; health and safety; grievances; tools and resources; student employee relations, and other issues affecting the educational environment and availability of resources for student use; **and**

Be it Further Resolved,

That a copy of this Resolution (SR 192-002 Transparency between the University of Alaska Administration and University of Alaska Students) be sent to the following people and governance groups: the President of the University of Alaska, the UA Summit Team, the Board of Regents, all University of Alaska Chancellors' Cabinet members, UA Staff Alliance, and UA Faculty Alliance.

Statement of Purpose: To demand transparency between the University of Alaska Administration and University of Alaska students.

This resolution was adopted by a vote of 8-0 on the 18th of February 2019.

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Nick Bursell

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Nick Bursell, Chair, Coalition of Student Leaders

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Date