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To: James R. Johnsen, President, University of Alaska
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Subject: Student Tuition and Fees Across Campuses

Regarding the equitable distribution of student fees and tuition across campuses, as a general principle, Faculty Alliance believes student fees and tuition should be charged and paid in a fashion that allows each unit to be adequately compensated for the services that it provides and each student to benefit from the services for which s/he pays.

Students should pay on-campus fees to the campus where their in-person course is taught.

- For example, a student taking an in-person course in an Anchorage classroom should pay the UAA on-campus fees, and these fees should enable them to access UAA-based services, e.g. UAA student parking, regardless of whether the course instructor is paid by UAA, UAF, or UAS.

Students taking distance courses should pay fees in support of the technological needs that facilitate those courses and be provided with an option to forgo paying fees that support services to which they may not have access.

- For example, students taking a distance course should not be required to pay student recreation center fees, or student athletics fees when their geographic location makes utilization of these services impossible.

A majority fraction of student tuition dollars should be paid to the campus that pays the course instructor.

- For example, if a Fairbanks student takes a synchronous distance course taught by an instructor paid by UAA, the majority of the student's tuition should go to UAA.

Rationale

As a result of Strategic Pathways, the potential exists for faculty to either teach remotely or to be physically relocated to a system university other than that associated with their original contract. For example a UAF school of education faculty member may eventually teach a course based at UAA or UAS.

- Currently, Fairbanks-based students taking classes on the UAF campus but offered by the Nursing program administratively housed at UAA pay both UAA fees and tuition. The on-campus fees should be for UAF, giving those students access to on-campus parking at student rates; while tuition should go to UAA.

Currently, UAF and UAA engineering faculty are delivering synchronous distance courses to students at the other campus, by cross-listing an A and F section of each course (e.g., CS A385 and CS F381). This works well except tuition does not go to the university that pays the instructor, but to the university that lists the section.