

Faculty Alliance Minutes
 May 10, 2024
 3:30-5:00 pm
[Zoom Link](#)

Members

<p><u>UAS</u> Jennifer Ward, Outgoing Chair, Faculty Alliance, UAS Outgoing Past-President Glenn Wright, Past- President UAS Faculty Senate, Brian Blitz, UAS Faculty Senate President UAS Faculty Senate President-Elect (TBD)</p> <p><u>UAF</u> Jennifer Carroll, Chair, Faculty Alliance, UAF Faculty Senate Past-President Abel Bult-Ito, President, UAF Faculty Senate Leah Berman, President-Elect UAF Faculty Senate</p>	<p><u>UAA</u> Jackie Cason, President, UAA Faculty Senate LuAnn Piccard, Past- President, UAA Faculty Senate Matthew Cuellar, President-Elect, UAA Faculty Senate</p> <p><u>Ex Officio:</u> Paul Layer, Vice President ASR</p> <p><u>Support:</u> Sharon Dayton Noel Romanovsky</p>
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1. Call to order
2. Approval of Agenda
 Approved. Seconded.
3. Approval of [Meeting Minutes](#)
 Approved. Seconded.
4. Transition of Faculty Alliance Chair
 - a. [UAA Faculty Senate Distinguished Service Award to Faculty Alliance](#)
5. Old Business
 - a. Status of update to constitution and bylaws. Updated [constitution](#) posted on alliance site.
 - b. Status of update to BOR Policy student conduct / academic integrity
 Would be good to have students give their input in September
6. New Business
 - a. Title IX Change Update Mary Gower, Nichole Pittman, Gerard Kenna
 April 19th the Dept of Education gave their guidelines for changes. August 1st is their deadline. A broader range of applicable situations to pre 2020. More reporting obligations. There are enhanced requirements for reporting pregnancy and other conditions. Will be some flexibility for live hearings and more formal resolutions. There will be a more balanced approach. Training should be completed quickly by Sept 15th to be in compliance.
 - b. Draft Schedule

Day (Friday, 3:30 to 5 pm unless otherwise noted)	Tentative Agenda Items
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August 23, 2024	Invite Ben Shier to discuss Banner Upgrade
September 13, 2024	
Saturday, October 5, 2024 In Fairbanks	Fall Face-to-Face - identify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Key issues for the year ● Prep for FIF ● Prep for Thought Leaders Forum
November 8, 2024 (this conflicts with BOR)	
December 13, 2024	
January 10, 2025	Determine Juneau F-T-F dates for February
February 14, 2025	
March 14, 2025	
April 11, 2025	
May 9, 2025	

c.

7. Information/Discussion

- a. SIS (Banner) update - see slides: [BOR SIS Modernization Update May 2024](#)
- b. May 2024 [Faculty Alliance Report](#) to the Board
- c. Managing Complex Change Framework:
<https://meyerfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Managing-Complex-Change.pdf>

8. Faculty Senate Reports

Language from the UAA Award: This year the UAA Faculty Senate Executive Board created a special category: ***Faculty Senate Distinguished Service Award for Exemplary Teamwork*** that reflected and reinforced our core themes of connections and collaboration. As we know, the most notable achievements and leadership of positive change are accomplished by teams. This year we recognize the ***AY 24 UA Faculty Alliance*** as a group that has demonstrated exemplary teamwork and led with inspiration and vision.

The UA Faculty Alliance extends the practice of shared governance to the Statewide system and plays a vital role in bringing a faculty voice to Academic Council, the UA President, and the Board of Regents. Each fall, the Alliance coordinates the Faculty Initiative Fund. This spring, for the first time, Faculty Alliance hosted a statewide forum on artificial intelligence, and as a result will be making a joint presentation to the Board of Regents with UA’s Chief Information Technology Officer. Together, the Alliance sets legislative priorities and advocates on behalf of all of us each year. Though we are each separately accredited institutions, our connections to Faculty Alliance are conducive to shared governance

across the system, and they allow us to learn from one another as we address policies and practices. With our Alliance connections, we are stronger together.

Congratulations on this award and thank you for your many contributions to UA, and our students, faculty, administration, university leadership, our state and communities we serve. Your work matters and is greatly appreciated. It is a privilege to serve with you.

On behalf of the AY 24 UAA Faculty Senate Executive Board.

UAF Report: Actions by the Faculty Senate included:

A resolution for Chris Fallon, who died early this year. He was recognized for his leadership of the UAF Faculty Senate and Chair of the Faculty Alliance.

Leah Berman and Latrice Bowman were recognized with the 2023-2024 Outstanding Senate Service of the Year Awards.

A motion passed to have at least two-thirds of a faculty search committee that has any teaching responsibility to contain by faculty with understanding of the teaching area.

The Chancellor has forwarded this to UA General Counsel's office for review before making a final decision.

A motion passed to include language in the catalog that describes the use of Artificial Intelligence in graduate student work.

We established three new ad hoc committees

- o Ad Hoc Committee on Academic Integrity, with Jennie Carroll as chair.

- o Ad Hoc Committee on Academic Freedom, with Javier Fochesatto as chair.

- o Ad hoc Committee on Committees, with Leah Berman as chair.

A motion passed to end Faculty 180 for faculty review and replace it with a word or pdf template. The Chancellor is in support of this change and we will be working with the provost's Office to implement this review system.

I have two main goals for the upcoming academic year as president of the senate.

1. I will focus on strengthening shared governance. Chancellor White has agreed to meet with me once a month, so we can share information and increase communication.

Faculty Senate leadership is also increasing its meetings with Nanook Technology Services and the Registrar's Office.

2. Ensure that departmental and program faculty have an appropriate involvement in the faculty hiring process, which is currently being stifled.

UAS Report : 1) UAS is still struggling with classes running across spring term to summer term. The latest proposal is to reduce the summer term by 3 days and we will vote on that in September.

- 2) For the Gardiner Institute, we are going to have an "Equity in Retention fall academy" that has at least 3 faculty members on it. It is still unclear where this is going.

- 3) There will be an EAB work group next fall to look at how we can use EAB more effectively.

- 4) We had our Faculty Excellence Award ceremony on Monday, May 6th which included the new UA President's Adjunct Award.

