



**Minutes
Coalition of Student Leaders
Regular Meeting**

Tuesday, January 26, 2016
1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Via [Google Hangout](#)
Or by audio conference: 1-855-280-1855

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Voting Members:

UAA student representatives:

Shannon Cefalu, Kachemak Bay Branch Student Association (Homer)
Cheryl Tuttle, Kenai River Campus Student Union (Kenai)
Jeffrey Woods, Kodiak College Student Association (Kodiak)
Everret Hamilton, Matanuska-Susitna Student Government Council (Palmer)
Junaid Khan, Prince William Sound Community College Student Association (Valdez)
Arina Filippenko, Union of Students at the UAA (Anchorage) (left at 2:10)

UAF student representatives:

Mathew Carrick, Associated Students of UAF (Fairbanks)

UAS student representatives:

Callie Conerton, United Students of UAS (Juneau) (left at 2:15)

Ex-Officio Members:

Colby Freel, Commissioner, Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education

Staff:

Morgan Dufseth, Executive Officer, System Governance

Guests:

Leslie Drumhiller, UAF Government Relations Officer

Members Absent:

Krystalee Gabbard, United Students of UAS (Ketchikan)
Stacey Lucason, Student Regent, UA Board of Regents
Destony Rosas, United Students of UAS (Sitka)

Sam Weaver, United Students of UAS (Sitka)

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Jeff moved to adopt and Arina seconded. None opposed.

3. Approval of November 30 meeting minutes

Jeff moved to adopt and Callie seconded. Jeff noted he could not open the minutes so abstained from approving.

4. Officer Reports

- A.** Mathew Carrick (Chair) – The Coalition will have a couple new members this semester – Cheryl Tuttle is joining from Kenai (now that Jayce has graduated) and Destony has to resign so new member will be forthcoming from Sitka. Upcoming legislative conference – Wants to remind everyone this is a work trip and he discourages any inappropriate behavior—no parties, drinking, or vacation attitude. That being said, it will be a fun trip and a good learning experience for all of the students involved. On Monday, UA GC Mike O’Brien provided legislators with an update on Title IX (read more [HERE](#)). Highly recommend that CSL members get with their local campus Title IX rep to figure out what they are doing about Title IX and how it is affecting their campus.
- B.** Callie Conerton (Vice-Chair) – Legislative conference registration deadline is tomorrow. Meetings with legislators are based off of the registration. Do not call legislators—all meetings are being scheduled/coordinated by USUAS-Juneau. Please let Callie know if you are planning on leaving Juneau early on Tuesday (so she doesn’t schedule a legislative meeting at that time). Tips for advocating—elevator speech, personal interest. Feel free to email or text Callie with questions (callieconerton@gmail.com or 907-723-1233).
- C.** Junaid Khan (Secretary) – Excited to meet all the new fellows, which are coming for the meeting.
- D.** Arina Filippenko (Treasurer) – Reviewed budget with XO and we have sufficient funding for the rest of the year for anticipated expenditures.
- E.** Sam Weaver (Historian) – Not present.

5. Committee Reports

- A.** Alaska Advantage Incentive Program committee – The scholarship committee tried to meet but couldn’t find a time due to conflicting schedules. They will continue to look for a time to meet.
- B.** Stay on Track committee – Stay on Track representative not present.
- C.** System Governance Council – SGC met on Jan. 25 and President Johnsen was present. SGC discussed chair travel to BOR meetings. Under travel restriction, the governance chairs for Staff Alliance, Faculty Alliance, and the Coalition have not been explicitly told not to travel but there are still some concerns if it is still appropriate and essential. Overall, SGC agreed it was appropriate and highly

beneficial. They agreed they will limit travel to one day to save on lodging and per diem. They may also try to coordinate some with local campus representatives—which would give good experience to other members of governance. President Johnsen gave an update on the BOR retreat. After the retreat, the Board has decided to look more closely at a consolidated lead university model. An email from the president was sent late yesterday afternoon that lays out their current intentions—all members should take time to read it and share with their local group and students. Opportunity for feedback will be forthcoming in the near future—likely an online feedback form or a single POC (especially for governance).

- D. Community Campus Tuition Working Group – Have not met since the last meeting.

6. Ongoing Business

- A. Legislative Conference agenda – Mathew – The Coalition typically agrees to talk about the same two-four talking points to give a unified front to legislators. In previous years, the decision-making has gotten heated. Chair would like to propose that CSL members take this meeting and the Feb. 9 meeting to decide on 10 or fewer issues that are worthwhile to discuss and then take those to Juneau where the larger group can make final decisions. Overall agreement from the group on this course of action.
- B. Suggestions for CLS topics:
 - i. Title IX
 - ii. Guns on Campus
 - iii. Please bring suggestions for talking points to the next meeting.

7. New Business

- A. Campus Reports format – Mathew lead a discussion on alternative campus report formats. Overall, there was no strong desire for written reports and, as such, oral reports at meetings will continue.

8. Campus Reports

Shannon – Homer is looking for a new secretary and they are working on events for the semester including a self-defense seminar.

Cheryl – Kenai has several upcoming events – a St. Baldrick's in March (head shaving fundraiser), and a scavenger hunt to help students get to know the KPC campus, website, staff, and faculty. Also talking about meeting with Senator Kelly on the conceal and carry bill he plans on introducing this session.

Jeff – Kodiak – Brittany has stepped down as president and Jeff is now president. They have plans to meet with the local rotary club. They also recently met with Sen. Gary Stevens. KPC has had to re-scheduled their spring cookout several times due to poor weather. They are also looking at holding a wine tasting jointly with the local faculty senate.

Everret – Mat-Su has set up a new membership program that grants access for students to a local gym. They are holding their annual dance as well as a large celebration of Earth Day in April. They are also working on spring carnival and the finals snack week event. Mat-Su student government received a health and wellness grant, coordinated by Diane Erickson in Academic Affairs, which helps to provide mental health options for students on campus and training for students, faculty and staff. They also supplied the environmental club with solar panels and are helping to support a local club trying to build an electric car. Also had a visit with President Johnsen and raised local issues with him.

Junaid – Working closely with school administration to discuss the new student life and student association fee policy, has planned the semester events, and almost close to finish the updating of bylaws and constitution.

Mathew – UAF is preparing for the legislative conference. They are also focusing on grade appeals and late fees issues. Mathew has been meeting with UAF administrators and they agree we have seen an increase of both in recent years, which indicates some problem.

Colby – ACPE is working on ANSWERS project with longitudinal data systems to show how people transition through various stages of education. ACPE is already implementing ANSWERS but doesn't have data from every agency.

9. Future Agenda Items

Legislative conference topics

Coalition Annual Awards

10. Comments and Special Orders

SMSC nominations open until Feb. 12 – consider nominating a staff member that has made a difference in your time at UA.

Jeff is the student rep on Academic and Student Affairs Transformation Team working group.

11. Adjourn

Jeff moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.