

# Minutes **Faculty Alliance**

Friday, January 29, 2016 Via <u>Google Hangout</u> Audio-only: 1-855-280-1855 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

#### 1. Call to Order

# **Voting Members Present:**

David Fitzgerald, 1st Vice President, UAA Faculty Senate
Maren Haavig, President, UAS Faculty Senate (left at 11:45)
Diane Hirshberg, Past President, UAA Faculty Senate (joined at 11:15)
Lisa Hoferkamp, President-Elect, UAS Faculty Senate (left at 11:45)
Cecile Lardon, Past President, UAF Faculty Senate, Chair, Faculty Alliance
Orion Lawlor, President-Elect, UAF Faculty Senate
Debu Misra, President, UAF Faculty Senate
Tara Smith, President, UAA Faculty Senate, Vice Chair, Faculty Alliance

## Staff:

Morgan Dufseth, Executive Officer, System Governance

#### Guests:

Dan Kline, Professor of English, UAA

### Members Absent:

Kevin Krein, Past President, UAS Faculty Senate

- 2. Adoption of Agenda
- 3. Public or Guest Comments
- 4. Report from Chair
- 5. New Business
  - 5.1. Alaska Native GER Following the request from the Alaska Native Studies Council to university administration, the Faculty Alliance was asked to review the proposal for having a GER course on Alaska and its people and culture. One concern noted was how to fit this course in with existing degrees. One suggestion was to create a multicultural GER, which could be satisfied by different courses

that are already established. Dan Kline noted he thought the Alaska Native component had already been accepted as part of his earlier recommendations on GERs. Overall, the Alliance was supportive of sending the proposal/request to the GER Committee that is already working on aligning GERs at UA so that they can provide a recommendation to Faculty Alliance, however, several members had to leave before a formal position could be voted on (especially whether they were in support of a new course, whether they were in support of designating multicultural course, or whether they just want the GER committee to review options and provide a general recommendation). Cecile will send a poll to the group by email to determine their final stance.

- 5.2. Dual Enrollment Members briefly reviewed the most current version of the proposed concurrent enrollment regulation. Tara offered to gather comments and concerns to share with the Statewide Academic Council and VP White.
- 6. Ongoing Business
- 7. Comments, concerns, and announcements
- 8. Items for next meeting
  - 8.1. Communication to the Regents
  - 8.2. Revisions to R03.01
  - 8.3. Draft Telecommuting Regulation
- 9. Adjourn

Quorum ended when members from UAS left at 11:45 a.m. The meeting continued with a discussion of agenda items for the next meeting and then adjourned at 11:58 a.m.