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## **Faculty Alliance**

Friday, Oct. 13, 2017

2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

[Google Hangouts](#)

Audio only: 1-855-280-1855

1. Call to Order

Members:

Donie Bret-Hart, President-Elect, UAF Faculty Senate *left at 3:00 p.m.*

Megan Buzby, President, UAS Faculty Senate

Sharon Chamard, President, UAA Faculty Senate

Chris Fallen, President, UAF Faculty Senate

David Fitzgerald, Past President, UAA Faculty Senate,

Robin Gilcrist, President-Elect, UAS Faculty Senate

Lisa Hoferkamp, Past President, UAS Faculty Senate, Chair, Faculty Alliance

Orion Lawlor, Past President, UAF Faculty Senate

Maria Williams, 1st Vice President, UAA Faculty Senate

Staff:

Morgan Dufseth, Executive Officer, System Governance

Guests:

Shiva Hullavarad, Staff Alliance

Eric Johnson, Statewide Administration Assembly

2. Adoption of Agenda

Chris moved, seconded by Sharon. No amendments or objections.

3. Approval of 9/22/17 Minutes

Postponed to the Oct. 27 meeting.

4. Public or Guest Comments:

5. Report from Chair

6. Ongoing Business

6.1. UA Enrollment Challenge see

- v2 document:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1oVtFpgggmHReTUNwfK-IfLPCMLplYeThGGFtHWD1DZc/edit?ts=59ddcefd>
- v1 document:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xdbRAOns1MeV6oibjOwOTxi7YQc16IPehiV7GiWZdaM/edit>
- Discussion: Orion noted they might want to separate the two ideas into two documents—one about the general issues and then the second specific to the enrollment challenge. Eric agreed to make that change. Donie noted there could be more specific information about what the challenge consists of, which would make it easier to sell (i.e. how the competition will be run). Chris suggested more subject headings (objective, rationale, methodology, metrics for success, etc.). Eric noted he wanted to create a Google data dictionary that would help compare data across universities/campuses. Megan proposed approaching the IR Council about the data input issues. They will need to address the liability/FERPA issues with the enrollment challenge at some point before it can go forward. Eric asked Faculty Alliance members if they would be willing come up with problem statements by the first meeting in November. Lisa asked Eric when he thought it might ready to send to the president; he responded December would be a reasonable time. Alliance members agreed Orion would be the point-of-contact for this project moving forward.

6.2. Concurrent Enrollment Regulation – see  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HAEZaEBuX7uWL9Wwxrxv9iQN0oE9dTJEcm6zBUIEcys/edit>

Members reviewed the above document and went through comments that had been added since the last meeting. Members noted they solicited feedback from their local faculty senates. UAA noted there wasn't much comment; UAF noted there seemed to be some confusion about what the current policy is. Lisa noted the feedback was due Nov. 8.

6.3. 2018 ACE & NASH Leadership Academy – see  
<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B5h9N7uhWefrWnNHS0lneUw2ekE>

President has asked that a Faculty Alliance member join the team he has put together to attend the ACE & NASH Leadership Academy. Lisa asked for interested parties. Sharon noted she was interested but didn't know much about the project, even after reviewing the above link. Lisa agreed to request more information and get back to the group.

6.4. GER – [UAF-proposed changes to BoR GER Policy & Regs.](#)

Results of Faculty Senate discussions at UAA and UAS: Sharon noted she had invited Dan Kline to talk to their GER committee to discuss it further. Lisa suggested having Dan Kline talk to all campus committees. Chris noted there should be a system-wide coordinated effort, such as system-wide meetings like the Faculty Alliance. Maria offered to help facilitate communication between the

university groups. Lisa revisited her idea of holding an in-person GER retreat. Members also noted that the local working groups need to communicate with their Faculty Senate president.

6.5. Student fees and tuition across campuses

■ [Orion's resolution](#)

Sharon noted concern about the section about students taking distance courses, and noted that we don't know if a student is taking distance courses but live on campus and use campus services. Members discussed the inherent conflicts and issues surrounding the fees for in-person v. distance courses. Members discussed the value of a memo v. a resolution, and agreed to send a memo to the Summit Team to get the conversation with administration started.

MOTION: Sharon moved to approve moving forward with a memo, seconded by Chris. There were no objections. Lisa will re-draft the resolution into a memo and share with Alliance members prior to the next meeting.

6.6. Non-teaching days

■ [Lisa's resolution](#)

Megan noted the Common Calendar committee was meeting on Oct. 20 and noted she gets the feeling there is a split in the committee between those who are satisfied with the Wednesday before Thanksgiving and those who wanted additional days in the spring. Alliance members reviewed the draft resolution, made several amendments, and then voted.

MOTION: Sharon moved to approve the draft resolution, seconded by Orion. There were no objections. Lisa will finalize the memo and distribute.

6.7. EAB Rollout

Members discussed the rollout plan. Chris noted he had not received any information from his administration at UAF. Sharon noted she thought it was important for faculty to be involved in the entire process, even though administration has indicated they won't be impacted for another two years. Lisa noted she would bring this up at the next Summit Team meeting, and will also write a note to Chancellor White to help get Chris more information.

6.8. Morale Survey

The role of the committee will be to design the instrument, and then it can be delivered by Qualtrics, but all of that should be discussed by the committee.

Names of university representatives for survey

UAA – Sharon Chamard, Diane Hirshberg

UAF – Orion Lawlor

UAS – Ali Ziegler, Kathy DiLorenzo

6.9. Council nominees - see [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FftpM-07wpnluYgcuTGlqMo-HZtL\\_5OLE4ttI-rH5JU/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FftpM-07wpnluYgcuTGlqMo-HZtL_5OLE4ttI-rH5JU/edit)  
Lisa solicited for volunteers. Megan noted Colleen Ianuzzi wanted to serve on the IR Council. Chris asked for a deadline; Lisa noted the sooner the better. She noted she will update her [council rep document](#) and will share with the Alliance.

6.10. Letters

- Statewide reductions – see <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1cFzQHebmLe-cHd6TRie23jaV4W35FAgaCNLze81rKEU/edit>
- Utility of three universities (to the editor) – progress
- Importance of Alaska Scholars and Alaska Education Grants programs (to the editor) – progress

Members agreed to postpone a response to the Board indefinitely.

6.11. University-wide definitions – No new progress to report.

6.12. Update on VPASA search – Megan, Sharon, Chris  
Megan reported the committee didn't feel there was enough viable candidates. Lisa reported that she heard at the Summit Team meeting that the top three candidates were being review but they would continue to solicit new applications. Chris noted that his preferred recommendations would be have the search postponed for a year.

Maria noted that at UAA the search for a new VC for Admin has been collapsed. The committee was notified their services were no longer needed, and that a search firm has been contracted.

7. New Business

7.1. New travel software – see <http://www.alaska.edu/travel/ua-travel-project/>

7.2. Common course numbering

7.3. FA representation at UNAC RA meetings – It was agreed Sharon Chamard would serve as the FA representative as long as there was no objection from UNAC.

7.4. Faculty representation at Student Services Council Subcommittee  
Update of Student Medical Leave Policy – Lisa solicited for volunteers but none came forward.

7.5. Double-counting courses for degree requirements, see [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RR3USN73O9zDrg73at09Tyqs\\_0oQ8QEsYkMB3Bkqa8M/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RR3USN73O9zDrg73at09Tyqs_0oQ8QEsYkMB3Bkqa8M/edit) – Postponed until the next meeting

8. Agenda Items for October 27  
Double-counting courses
9. Report from Faculty Senates (current Presidents)  
Skipped due to time constraints.
10. Comments, concerns, and announcements
11. Adjourn  
The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

[Important Dates](#)