

Minutes

Statewide Administration Assembly

Thursday, December 14, 2017

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Audio only call-in: 1-866-832-7806, PIN 4236369

Fairbanks – Butrovich 204

Anchorage – Bragaw 210

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting came to order at 10:04

Representatives:

Shiva Hullavarad (2017-2019), SAA President 2017-2018

Elaine Main (2017-2019), SAA Vice President 2017-2018

Sheri Billiot (2016-2018), SAA Secretary 2017-2018

Josiah Borkovec (2017-2019)

Eric Johnson (2016-2018)

Tom Langdon (2016-2018)

Buffy Kuiper (2016-2018)

Danielle Nelson (2016-2018)

Derek Ward (2017-2019)

Laycie Schnekenburger, First Alternate (2017-2018)

Josh Watts, Second Alternate (2017-2018)

Staff:

Morgan Dufseth, Executive Officer, System Governance

Guests:

Matt Cooper, Associate General Counsel

Alesia Kruckenberg, Director, SW Budget & Planning

Representatives Absent:

Alison Hayden (2016-2018)

Monique Musick (2017-2019)

2. Safety Minute

3. Adopt Agenda

Amendments: proposed changes to tuition waiver benefit
Sheri moved, and Buffy seconded. There were no objections and the agenda was adopted as amended.

4. Approve Minutes

4.1. November 7 Minutes

[Reference 1](#)

Eric moved, and Josh seconded. There were no opposed and no revisions. The minutes were approved as presented.

5. Public and Guest Comments

5.1. FY19 Budget Update – Alesia Kruckenberg

Regents approved \$341M budget, \$24M above FY18, but still more than \$61M less in funding over the last four years. There was an increase to cover fixed costs increases, facilities, electronic subscription items—roughly \$9.8M; \$14.5M for strategic investment—aligned with UA goals and metrics. UA is expecting to receive the governor’s budget tomorrow afternoon and have heard varying levels floated but are not sure where it will land. The capital budget includes funding for deferred maintenance budget (some of which will go to UA). Public Affairs and Budget & Planning are working on the following advocacy pages and will share when ready: culture of education, budget summary, education tax credit, land deficit, deferred maintenance, enrollment and tuition, UA at a Glance, research, and some campus profiles to see what a typically student looks like at urban and rural sites.

Q: \$14.5M for strategic investments: goals (see BOR presentation--lead Arctic, increase research, increase degree attainment, cost effectiveness)

MOTION: Send the Agenda to SAA staff

ACTION: Eric moved, Sheri seconded. No objections.

6. Reports, Updates, and Information

6.1. November Action Items – [Reference 2](#)

Morgan gave a brief review of the items.

6.2. President’s Report – Shiva

Shiva met with President Johnsen and they discussed a national market analysis on salary; the report will likely be made available near the end of FY18. Federal tax reform and how it will affect UA students—the president is contacting the AK Federal delegation and key stakeholders. The president and Shiva also discussed the breakroom; there is no time limit on the funds available and the president is supportive of any location in Butrovich.

6.3. Staff Alliance Update

The Alliance met on December 6. They heard HR updates from Michelle Pope (including a reduction in healthcare payroll deduction, increased options for race/ethnicity, cancelling the RFP for new vendors and renewal for one year of current vendor contracts, and changes to the HSA goal amount dates to calendar year), and viewed a presentation from AVP Fred Villa on [Career Coach](#), a education-job matching website purchased by the university. The Alliance is also considering

6.4. Rec Room Committee

Matt Cooper says he is still planning to turn half of Risk into a breakroom area. He has requested a quote to build a wall to split the room in two. There may be other space for a workout room. Thought UAF Development was going to move downstairs Butro but they decided not to. Now working to get all Foundation staff into same area. No impending moves scheduled at the moment. Likely early next year before we get sorted out. Looking at unified storage space.

6.5. Safety Committee

Morgan and Buffy noted they had discussed training with the UAF Fire Department and agreed to have a training for SAA representatives first, and then open training up to the whole building.

ACTION: Morgan will send an availability poll to reps to determine a time for training near the end of January.

7. Ongoing Business

7.1. Adopt A Family Wrap Up

Bragaw wrapped up their drive last week—for AWAKE—women in crisis. Also lower turnout so perhaps it's a trend.

7.2. UA Challenge

Eric is working with the Faculty Alliance to create a challenge program to help find creative, crowdsourced solutions to university issues/problems.

7.3. SW Forum

Eric gave a brief review of the forum and asked for any questions and suggestions.

8. New Business

8.1. SAA Membership

8.2. Regulation changes to tuition waiver

9. Local Issues

9.1. Anchorage

Elaine will start contacting award committee members.

9.2. Fairbanks

W4 – use the 2017 form if you need to make changes

10. Agenda items for January 11 meeting

Safety and CPR/AED training
Rec Room
Tuition Waiver Regulation
UA Challenge
SW Forum
Outstanding and Longevity Awards
Tax Update
Interim VP Layer – Introduction and Welcome
Lunch N Learn
Artwork – find new artwork for Bragaw

11. Closing Comments

12. Adjourn

Eric moved, Laycie seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

OTHER RESOURCES

SAA Constitution and Bylaws

http://alaska.edu/files/governance/SAA-Constitution--Bylaws_Final-Approved-May-2017.pdf

SAA Annual Events Calendar

<http://alaska.edu/files/governance/SAA-annual-events-calendar.pdf>

System Governance Calendar

<http://alaska.edu/governance/directorycalendar/>