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Minutes

Faculty Alliance

Friday, August 31, 2018

2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Members

Sine Anahita, President-Elect, UAF Faculty Senate

Donie Bret-Harte, President, UAF Faculty Senate

Megan Buzby, Past-President, UAS Faculty Senate

Sharon Chamard, Past-President, UAA Faculty Senate

Scott Downing, 1st Vice President, UAA Faculty Senate

Chris Fallen, Past-President, UAF Faculty Senate; Chair, Faculty Alliance

Robin Gilcrist, President, UAS Faculty Senate

Maria Williams, President, UAA Faculty Senate; Vice Chair, Faculty Alliance

Staff

Morgan Dufseth, Executive Officer, System Governance

Guests

Geoff Jacobs, Analyst, Financial Systems

Members Absent:

Heather Batchelder, President-Elect, UAS Faculty Senate

1. Call to Order

The meeting came to order at 2:30 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Adopted as presented.

3. Approval of May 11 Minutes - [Reference](#)

No changes or objections offered. Approved as presented.

4. Public or Guest Comments

Geoff Jacobs will join at 3:15 to discuss proposed changes to travel regulations

5. Chair's Report

Chris noted he presented at the May 31 Board of Regents' meeting along with AY18 Faculty Alliance Chair Lisa Hoferkamp and GER Alignment Chair Dan Kline. Chris noted the Alliance will want to think about how to keep GER alignment in good standing. He missed a number of Academic Council and Summit Team meetings over the summer due to travel. Short update on E-Learning partnership - administration appears to no longer be pursuing outsourcing instruction of programs.

6. Reports

a. Faculty Senate reports

- i. UAA - Maria gave an update on the UAA Faculty Senate retreat held on Aug. 17. The retreat was held at the Kenai River Campus in Soldotna. A full review of the retreat is available [HERE](#). The agenda focused on how to create a culture of respect and kindness, especially in light of the new leadership at UAA. Sharon reviewed the faculty morale survey results.
- ii. UAF - Have not yet met this semester; will have its full meeting on Sept. 10. Senators are starting to convene committees and have a couple of items of business to take up including open meetings for promotion and tenure. There are number of ad hoc committees to finish revision on the Blue Book and including faculty in drafting Title IX policy, program review, accreditation and assessment, and student grade appeals. Hired new Meryem as new governance coordinator.
- iii. UAS - Have not yet met this semester; will have its full meeting on Sept. 7. Held convocation in August which raised a couple issues: EAB Early Alert System, assessment, AK Native graduation requirement, Promise Neighborhoods dual enrollment grant

7. Ongoing Business

a. Review: Faculty Alliance [Constitution and Bylaws](#)

Chris noted might be a good time to take a look to see if anything needs updating; also noted the section on Article 3 about the Alliance's purpose (consultation, representation, and communication)

b. Update: Faculty Regent (volunteer needed)

Chris asked members to start thinking about whether the Alliance should continue efforts on establishing a faculty regent and noted they would need a faculty member to reach out to a legislator to sponsor the bill. Members also discussed

resolutions passed in support of a faculty regent by the UAF and UAS Faculty Senates.

- c. Op-ed: 3 Universities or 1 University? (volunteer needed)
Alliance members discussed whether they still needed to address the issue of single accreditation.
- d. Update on [proposed revisions](#) to University Regulation R10.04.040
Chris noted he hasn't heard of any concerns with the proposed revisions. The Academic Council reviewed at their most recent meeting and forwarded the proposed revisions to President Johnsen for approval.
- e. [Proposed revision to University Regulation](#) on staff and faculty emeritus
Chris noted this started as a way to define the process for staff emeritus but evolved into a review of the faculty process as well. Concerns include revocation of emeritus status should the honoree be found to have engaged in conduct not becoming a member of the university. Academic Council is currently reviewing and may have new proposed revisions in the future.
- f. Discuss deletions and additions to improve the [IT Council Scorecard](#)
Chris asked members if they had additions to the IT scorecard.
- g. Faculty Morale Survey
Sharon is in the process of performing the multivariate analysis and intends to break the results down by university and then department. Asked member for input on how to aggregate the data for reporting to a broader audience. The retreat will include time for further discussion of results.
- h. Title IX - faculty committees
Chris noted this was added to the agenda to see if they could determine which faculty are working at each university on Title IX. Sine noted she is leading a committee at UAF. Maria said she isn't aware of faculty working the issue but that UAA just last week hired a Title IX investigator. Megan noted they had someone at UAS that they were working with but they recently left.

8. New Business

- a. Proposed changes to travel regulations - Geoff briefly reviewed major changes and asked for faculty feedback by mid-September.
 - i. University [Regulation R05.02.060](#) on travel
 - ii. Regulation [active draft](#)
 - iii. [Table of proposed changes](#) to regulation
- b. CCC and review of UA calendars for 2020-21, 2021-22, and 2022-23
 - i. [CCC Bylaws](#)
 - ii. [Draft UA calendar](#) (live) and [FA-only copy](#)
- c. Identification of minors on class rosters

- i. [Message from Timothy Edwards](#), UA Chief Risk Officer, clarifying faculty responsibilities until a formal memo is released
What do faculty want to do about this? What can they do about it? Need to get answers on how minors should be treated (and not just the pat answer of ‘just like any other student’) and to make sure faculty are aware of the risk they are taking on when they have a minor in one of their classes.
- d. May/June BOR meeting review
 - i. May 31 regular full meeting [Summary of Actions](#)
 - ii. June 19 special full meeting [Summary of Actions](#)
- e. September BOR meeting preview
 - i. [Governance report to BoR](#)
- f. Faculty Alliance retreat
 - i. Agenda items
 1. Recap on September BoR meeting
 2. GER alignment debrief and plans for next phase
 3. Review of FIF process and changes for AY19
 4. Faculty nominees for the academic councils
 5. Update on outsourcing eLearning academic programs
 6. Faculty salary study
 7. Faculty Morale Survey Report
 8. Faculty Overload Benefit Rates
 - ii. Guests
 1. President Johnsen and VP Layer (confirmed)
 2. Dean Atwater and Chancellor Caulfield (proposed)
 - iii. Faculty Alliance Dinner
 1. Suggestions?

9. Roundtable

10. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Important Dates

2018

August

12 - Faculty Contracts Begin

16 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video

17 - Academic Council meeting (3-5 via audio)

- 17 - UAA Faculty Senate Retreat
- 21-22 - UAS Faculty Convocation
- 27 - First Day of Instruction
- 31 - FA Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 1-2pm
- 31 - Faculty Alliance meeting; 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio

September

- 4 - BOR Public Testimony, 4:00-6:00 via audio
- 6 - BOR Academic & Student Affairs Committee meeting, 8:30-11:30 via video
- 7 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
- 7 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting
- 10 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)
- 13-14 - BOR in Juneau
- 13 - BOR Public Gathering, 4:30-6:00 location tbd
- 15-16 - Faculty Alliance retreat in Juneau
- 20 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 21 - FA Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 28 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio

October

- 5 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
- 5 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting
- 8 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)
- 12 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio
- 16 - FA Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 18 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 21 - Academic Council meeting (3-5 via audio)
- 26 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio
- 29 - BOR Public Testimony, 4:00-6:00 via audio

November

- 1 - BOR Academic & Student Affairs Committee meeting, 8:30-11:30 via video
- 2 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
- 2 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting
- 5 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)
- 8 - BOR Public Gathering, 4:30-6:00 location tbd
- 8-9 - BOR - Fairbanks
- 9 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 Meet/audio
- 15 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 16 - Academic Council meeting (3-5 via audio)
- 20 - FA Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 23 - NO Faculty Alliance meeting - THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY (MOVE TO NOV. 30?)

December

- 3 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)
- 7 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
- 7 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting
- 8 - Last Day of Instruction
- 11 - FA Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 13 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 14 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio
- 21 - Academic Council meeting (3-5 via audio)

2019

January

- 10 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 11 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio
- 10 - BOR Academic & Student Affairs Committee meeting, 8:30-11:30 via video
- 14 - First Day of Instruction
- 15 - FA Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 17 - BOR Public Gathering, 4:30-6:00 location tbd
- 17-18 - BOR meeting - Anchorage
- 18 - Academic Council; 3:00 – 5:00
- 25 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio

February

- 1 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30
- 1 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting
- 4 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)
- 7 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 8 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio
- 12 - FA Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am
- 15 - Academic Council; 3:00 – 5:00
- 21 - BOR Academic & Student Affairs Committee meeting, 8:30-11:30 via video
- 22 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio
- 28 - BOR meeting - Anchorage

March

- 1 - BOR meeting - Anchorage
- 1 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting. 2:30-4:30
- 1 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting
- 4 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)
- 7- UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video
- 8 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio

12-15 - SPRING BREAK

12 - FA Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am

15 - Academic Council, 3:00 – 5:00

22 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio

April

4- UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video

5 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30

5 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting

8 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)

16 - FA Chair meets w/President Johnsen; 9-10am

19 - Academic Council, 3:00 – 5:00

26 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio

29 - Last Day of Instruction

May

2 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video

3 - UAA Faculty Senate meeting, 2:30-4:30

3 - UAS Faculty Senate meeting

6 - UAF Faculty Senate meeting (1-3 pm via A/V)

10 - Faculty Alliance meeting, 2:30-4:30 via Meet/audio

11 - Faculty Contracts End

17 - Academic Council, 3:00 – 5:00

30 - BOR Academic & Student Affairs Committee meeting, 8:30-11:30 via video

June

6-7 - BOR - Fairbanks

13 - UA Summit Team; 1-4:30 via video

21 - Academic Council meeting; 3:00 - 5:00