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Faculty Alliance
Minutes
Friday, November 14, 2014
Via Google Hangout
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Voting Members:

Mark Fitch, Past President, UAA Faculty Senate
Virgil Fredenberg, Past President UAS Faculty Senate
Maren Haavig, President-Elect, UAS Faculty Senate
Diane Hirshberg, President, UAA Faculty Senate
Kevin Krein, President, UAS Faculty Senate
Cecile Lardon, President, UAF Faculty Senate
Debu Misra, President-Elect, UAF Faculty Senate
Tara Smith, 1st Vice President, UAA Faculty Senate
David Valentine, Chair, Faculty Alliance; Past President, UAF Faculty Senate

Staff:

LaNora Tolman, Executive Officer, System Governance
Joseph Altman, Coordinator, System Governance

Guests:

Dana Thomas, Vice President, Academic Affairs and Research

All members were presents. Meeting began at meeting began at 3:07 p.m.

Adopt Agenda

Debu and Virgil suggested to trim the agenda down. Virgil moved to adopt agenda after amendments Debu seconded. Virgil moved to approve the October 10, 2014 minutes and Debu seconded.

Report of the Chair

BOR Budget Meeting of November 5-6

Status of Common Calendar working group

Met twice. Saichi Oba was heading the group. Main focus of the common calendar is start dates, end dates and spring breaks and to give flexibility to community campuses.

Status of English GER working group

Dan Kline agreed to lead the working group.

Status of Math GER working group

Mark Fitch stated there would be results by Thanksgiving.

Ongoing Business

GER next steps

The next steps were discussed and included who would sit on the committee to research the common GERs across the three universities.

Commission a working group with two people from each university/faculty senate.

Charge to the working group: "To propose the shared structure of the BOR GER requirement and explain how this articulates with each universities GER/core program, and to propose and recommend new policy for the BOR to consider for GERs."

Deadlines: Interim report in March 2015. Final report November 2015. BOR resolution states: "and propose a plan of implementation for other areas of general education (humanities and fine arts, natural sciences, and social sciences) by fall 2016;"

Ready for College in Alaska (Diane)

Faculty discussed the definition of "college and career ready."

Minimum Baccalaureate Standards

Rather than explain them in BOR policy, articulate the standards in university regulations, which would contain the details. Faculty will share documents via email based on their discussion.

Survey: 9 mo. versus 12 mo. Payment (Diane) – Postponed to next meeting

New Business

Student Code of Conduct

Documents will be shared with faculty senates.

Community Campus Policy & Regulation Update

Role of community campuses with universities not defined. Dana stated there needed to be a policy and regulation on the topic and it is being discussed at the universities and campuses. Assuring institutional accreditation is met. SAC received the most recent version and David shared with Alliance.

Discussion items

Letter to Governor

The letter would be forwarded to the governor candidates regarding appointed regents.

Tobacco Free Policy

David asked for feedback from each university to have before the BOR Dec. meeting

Faculty Regent

Postponed until next meeting

Payroll – 9/12 months

Survey sent out to all faculty throughout the university.

Meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Minutes taken by LaNora Tolman