

**UA Research Council**  
**Member update to the UA Summit Team**  
**Oct 11, 2017**

**Members**

Miles Baker, Assoc. Vice President, Government Relations, SW  
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Helena Wisniewski, Vice Provost Research, UAA  
Cheryl Wilga, UAA Faculty Representative  
Brian Buma, UAs Faculty Representative

We have two new members of the Research Council.

Cheryl Wilga, UAA Faculty Representative  
Brian Buma, UAS Faculty Representative  
UAF has not yet named a faculty representative

- Progress on Strategic Pathways

Focus Area    Decision Status    Research Administration

- 1) Policy leadership at UAF, with service centers at UAA and UAS focused on grants and contracts management
- 2) Business Council charged to work with the Research Council to develop a plan to present to President in October

Progress has been made to adopt a unified grants and contracts business model that embraces operational effectiveness through efficiency, accountability, transparency and responsiveness to the needs of the campus communities and the external partners.

- Process Identification and Mapping (UAA, UAS, UAF) completion date October 27, 2017

- The University of Alaska system partnering with state agencies on the “Alaska First Initiative” –

Miles is exploring the possibility of asking the Governor to issue an administrative order that charges state agencies to look to the University First for their research needs.

- We are organizing outreach events in Fairbanks (Dec 8), Anchorage (Nov 8) and perhaps in Juneau ('lunch and learn'). Miles Baker is helping us to convene a discussion with legislators to discuss the role that UA research can play in helping to diversify the Alaskan economy.
- We are updating outreach brochures to the economic and practical benefits of UA research to the State of Alaska. Please contact Nettie Labelle-Hamer [nettie.labellehamer@alaska.edu](mailto:nettie.labellehamer@alaska.edu) to provide materials to be incorporated into these brochures.
- We have compiled what we hope is a complete listing of all research facilities operated by each university. We will post a listing of each laboratory of field facility with the associated link to the facility description and guidance on how to assess and access their capabilities. We also intend to provide information on costs and limitations of access for researchers from the UA system and others from, for example, other universities, national labs or private industry.

<https://research.uaf.edu/facilities/labs>

We encourage collaborative use of these facilities to enable efficient and effective analyses of samples and safe and productive time spent in the field.

We are preparing a webpage to provide full descriptions and a brochure to provide a limited overview.

Our next scheduled Research Council meeting will be October 30, 1:00 – 2: 00 pm.