

Minutes

UAF Faculty Senate Meeting #231

Monday, April 2, 2018

1:00 - 3:00 PM - Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom

*(For remote participation, contact the Faculty Senate Office for details)**

I. Call to Order - Chris Fallen

1:00-1:04

(00:14:45 video recording) Meeting was called to order at 1:01pm

A. Roll Call

Faculty Senate Members Present:	Faculty Senate Members Present:
Abramowicz, Ken (18)	McDonald, Rick (19)
Aggarwal, Srijan (18)	Newberry, Rainer (19)
Aguilar-Islas, Ana (18)	Quick, Kate (18)
Anahita, Sine (18)	Rember, Rob (19)
Anger, Andy (18)	Rinio, Tyson (19)
Bacsujlaky, Mara (18)	Schell, Jennifer (19) - Jamie Clark
Benowitz, Jeff (18)	Tilbury, Jennifer (19)
Bolton, Bob (18) - Claudine Hauri	Topkok, Sean (18)
Bret-Harte, Donie (19)	Wildfeuer, Sandra (18)
Carothers, Courtney (19)	Williams, Gordon (18)
Chowdhury, Aatur (19)	Zhang, Mingchu (18)
Croskrey, Wendy (18)	
Cundiff, Nicole (19)	Faculty Senate Members Absent:
Dahl, Heather (19)	Ickert-Bond, Stefanie (19)
Duffy, Larry (19)	Lewis, Sarah (19)
Fallen, Chris (18)	Liljedahl, Anna (18)
Gosh, Tathagata (19)	
Harney, Eileen (19)	

Harris, Norm (19)	Others Present:
Henry, David (19)	Axx, Kara - Staff Council President
Herrick, Robert (19)	Barnes, David - Athletics
Hirsch, Alex (19)	Coffman, Chris - UNAC Representative
Huettmann, Falk (18)	Earnest, Mike - Registrar
Hunt, Steve (18)	Fitts, Alex - Vice Provost
Kelley, Amanda (19)	Henrichs, Susan - Provost
Maier, Jak (19)	Hinzman, Larry - Vice Chancellor for Research
Matweyou, Julie (18)	Sherman, Todd - Dean of CLA
Maxwell, David (18)	White, Dan - Chancellor
May, Jeff (18)	

B. Approval of [Minutes for Meeting #230](#)

The minutes for meeting #230 were approved as submitted.

C. Adoption of Agenda

The agenda was adopted as submitted.

II. Status of Chancellor's Office Actions

1:04-1:05

A. Motions approved:

1. [Motion to Approve the new program Bachelor of Applied Management](#) - approval in Courseleaf
2. [Motion to revise the Student Grade Appeals Policy](#)
3. [Motion to endorse FA's letter requesting a change to the University Regulation](#)

B. Motions acknowledged:

1. [Motion to endorse the 28-Feb-2018 letter from UAS Faculty Senate President to the UA Board of Regents](#)

C. Motions disapproved: None

D. Motions pending: None

III. Remarks

1:05-1:15

A. President - Chris Fallen (2 min.)

(00:19:15 video recording) Chris discussed the two excellent candidates for President-Elect. He explained how the President and President-Elect positions interact with the various other governance groups both at UAF and across the UA system.

Chris stated that he tried to get feedback on the more controversial items prior to the big Senate meetings every month to ensure the time used within the Faculty Senate meetings is used efficiently. He stated different Presidents have different styles, some have taken on more activist roles by forwarding specific actions or stances for faculty. He stated that he feels like President is a misnomer and it should really be Speaker of the Senate because they do not have executive authority, mostly they can ask for volunteers to work on various committees. The President-Elect chairs the Administrative Committee which is comprised of the Chairs of the Faculty Senate Committees and sets the agenda for the Faculty Senate meetings. The President and President-Elect positions greatly share the responsibilities of Faculty Senate and serving on the various committees, councils and cabinets. Along with the Past President, they all serve on Faculty Alliance to collaborate across the UA system.

B. President-Elect - Donie Bret-Harte (2 min.)

(00:23:19 video recording) Donie thanked everybody for being in attendance and understands it is a large time commitment. She thanked Gordon and Sine for both running for the President-Elect position.

In regards to the Provost Search, there will be four candidates that will be having onsite interviews. The first one is starting this Wednesday. There will be posters posted around with a schedule of their events. Donie encouraged all to attend the forums and other faculty events with the candidates because the Provost is the Chief Academic Officer. There will be 2 opportunities to mingle with candidates, a reception after their forum in the Engineering Building and the next day at 10:30 there will be a coffee meet and greet in the Murie Building. There will also be online forms to provide feedback for the candidates as well.

Donie also stated there are two opportunities to apply for initiative funding. The Planning and Budget committees is currently review the proposals for the Enrollment and Research initiative funds. They committee will make their recommendations to the Chancellor who will make choices when funding is confirmed. The second opportunity is funding from the union for funding that can be spent in two years for faculty initiatives, this will be open near the end of April. This money that was negotiated by the union and being made available for Faculty. The funding is for two years and they need concrete proposals for these funds.

C. Chancellor - Daniel White (2 min.)

(00:27:20 video recording) Chancellor White stated he is looking to the Provost candidates and thanked the members of Faculty Senate who are on the search committee. He stated they have

worked extra hard to review the candidates and get the candidates to campus in time for faculty forums and feedback while faculty, staff, and students are all still on campus.

Chancellor White stated that VC Evon Peter is currently going through the Faculty Senate process for Group A administrator reviews. He thanked those on Faculty Senate working on that committee as well for the short timeline.

He stated there were four open forums this year; diversity, budget, enrollment, and safety. He will plan to have the same forums again next year. Chancellor White requested that if there are ideas for valuable forums for him to connect with faculty on their issues, he would like those be brought to his attention.

Chancellor White stated they had several receptions this year at the Chancellor's House this year for outstanding teaching faculty as nominated by their deans and directors; there will be a reception on April 10 for outstanding research faculty as nominated by their deans and directors; and there was also a reception for Faculty Senate. He asked for names of groups of faculty that seem to be under-recognized, he would like to work on a reception for next year for them.

He stated the Board of Regents (BoR) submitted a budget request of \$341 million university-wide to the Governor. The Governor came back with \$317 million, which is what the university received last year without any opportunity for fixed cost increases and no capital budget. The Governor did propose a \$70 million capital increment but tied it too a payroll tax. The House of Representatives' subcommittee proposed for a \$336 million budget, but has not been voted for it yet. The Senate subcommittee has scheduled three meetings three weeks in a row to vote on what they want our budget to be. They have had to cancel their meetings because they are waiting for the House to vote on their budget. The Senate subcommittee has another meeting schedule for Wednesday and they may come out with their own budget even if the House doesn't pass theirs and they expect it to be between the Governor's budget and the House budget.

The campus is required to have a Master Plan that is updated periodically and this year is the year for that to happen. The company that is coming to campus to help with the Master Plan will be interviewing people regarding the Master Plan for the next seven to 10 years. They will be coming to campus soon before everybody is off of contract.

Chancellor White thanked everybody for their work on Faculty Senate and for those that have been willing to work on additional committees when the requests were sent to Chris. Faculty Senate has people on the I.D.E.A. Task Force, the Provost Search Committee, and Group A Administrator Review.

D. Provost - Susan Henrichs (2 min.)

(00:35:35 video recording) Provost Henrichs stated the Planning and Budget Committee is reviewing the proposals for the Enrollment and Research Initiatives. They are doing a very thorough job and working hard to pick the best possible proposals out of the group. There are a lots of very good proposals, once that people put a lot of effort into. The committee is focusing on the proposals that will have the broadest and largest impacts, the proposals that will really move the dial on enrollment and research productivity.

She stated she just completed reviewing the promotion and tenure files and fourth year pre-tenure review files. She stated it is always a wonderful but lengthy and challenging experience. She stated she put in a lot of time over the last few weeks on these files. Every year it causes her to recognize that faculty are working very hard and accomplishing many wonderful things in their teaching, research, and service activities around the university and the community. Provost Henrichs thanked everybody for their hard work.

E. Vice Chancellor of Research - Larry Hinzman (2 min.)

(00:37:15 video recording) VCR Hinzman thanked Provost Henrichs for the hard work and detail she puts into reviewing the faculty's files.

VCR Hinzman stated there are limited submission opportunities when proposals are requested and stated he gets RFPs all the time and does not always send them out for different reasons. He requested that if you are submitting or hearing of somebody submitted a proposal for a limited submission opportunity be sure VCR Hinzman is informed because if we don't have the competition to submit and it will come down to one or two proposals to submit, somebody will have wasted a lot of time and effort. It is to everybody's benefit if VCR Hinzman is aware when somebody is going after a limited submission opportunity. There are 100s of research opportunities available every week and they can't get through all of them. VCR's office has a subscription to a program that keeps them informed of all the research opportunities available. If anybody would like to subscribe, his office will pay for the subscription, just go to alaska.instrumentl.com to sign up.

The Office of Intellectual Property & Commercialization hosted a Late Launch workshop on March 12-14 which went very well. They had 26 participants and it helped them to understand how we can progress the development of a research project or product for commercialization. They have three ambassadors who work with OIPC to help faculty identify good research ideas that could be commercialized and work through the process to get them patented. He thanked Peter Weby from GI, Rajive Ganguli from INE, and Brian Buma from UAS for their help as ambassadors. He encouraged faculty contact OIPC or one of those three for help.

IV. Reports

1:15-1:25

A. Staff Council - Kara Axx

(00:40:44 video recording) Kara stated Staff Council has several events coming up. First, several boxes were distributed around campus to collect food items for donation for the Bone Builders program, sponsored by the Fairbanks Food Bank. This program provides lunches to local school children who do not have school lunches to rely on during the summer. More information can be found in the Cornerstone.

They will be hosting a series of professional development series brown bag lunches. The first is Crucial Conversations led by Nicole Cundiff, Keli Hite-McGee and Pips Veazey held in Akasofu 401 on April 10 at noon. This will also be livestreamed.

Staff Council will also be hosting a blood drive on Thursday, April 26 from 8:00-3:00 in the Wood Center Conference rooms C&D. The official announcement will be coming out in the Cornerstone.

The next Staff Council meeting is next Tuesday, April 10 at 9:30 in Akasofu 401. The majority of our agenda will be filled with President Johnsen as a guest speaker.

B. ASUAF - Molly O'Scannell

Not present for comment.

C. UNAC - Chris Coffman

(00:42:14 video recording) Chris stated the form for cashing in up to five days of faculty time off is now available. Cindy West sent it off at the end of last week to the entire membership.

UNAC is still continuing with the Workload Campaign that she has been discussing over the course of the semester. Chris has been meeting with members, department chairs and groups of faculty in similar units to advise them on workload and response to their request for assistance. She has been communicating with the Org VP from UAA to monitor and strategize about workload issues on respective campuses.

The Representative Assembly will be meeting in Anchorage this Saturday.

D. UNAD - TBD

Not present for comment.

E. UAFT - Kate Quick

(00:43:17 video recording) Kate stated there is nothing new to report. They are continuing the process of merging the two unions. There are a few people within UAFT that will need turn in UAFT workloads, but anticipate they will need fill out UNAC workload in the near future.

F. Athletics - David Barnes

(00:43:54 video recording) The search for the new athletic director is well underway. The committees have had their first meeting and will be meeting with the consultant firm later on this month. The athletics department is searching for women's basketball coach, men's ice hockey coach, and a men's basketball coach. These searches are well underway and close to being finished.

G. [Faculty Alliance Report](#) - Lisa Hoferkamp

H. Senate Member's Questions/Comments

V. Public Comment

1:25-1:30

No public comment.

VI. President-elect Election

1:30-1:50

A. Personal Statements from Nominees

1. [Sine Anahita](#)

(00:46:26 video recording) Sine stated she is eager to serve as you read in her personal statement. She stated she is all about transparency, increasing open and collaborative decision making, especially in this time of budget cuts.

2. [Gordon Williams](#)

(00:45:28 video recording) Gordon stated he is honored to have been nominated. His goal is one of service. He considered the position as a real responsibility as a tenured faculty to step up to the plate when asked and he was asked so he is stepping up. We have a lot of work to do and there are a lot of positive changes Faculty Senate can make if we work together. On of the things he really appreciates on Faculty Senate is the extent to which his own ignorance is corrected and address by his peers. He feels that is something important that we all use moving forward that we have a great deal of collective wisdom as a community that should be fostered.

B. Voting

(00:47:08 - 00:51:09 video recording) Voting took place at approximately 1:35pm.

BREAK (counting votes) (01:06:50 - 01:18:18 video recording)**1:50-2:00**

VI. Announcement of the 2018-19 President-elect

2:00

(01:19:00 video recording) Out of 43 members, 40 votes were received. There was 1 abstention, 20 votes for Sine Anahita, and 19 votes for Gordon Williams. The new President-Elect for 2018-2019 Academic Year is Sine Anahita.

VII. New Business

2:00 - 2:35

A. [Motion to allow UAF Associate of Arts & Associate of Science degrees to meet GER](#) (CAC)

- (00:51:51 video recording) Motion was introduced by Eileen Harney.
- Motion was seconded by Kate Quick
- (00:53:25 video recording) discussion of the motion started.
- Motion passed.

B. [Motion to Approve the New Occupational Endorsement Request](#) (CAC)

- (00:54:26 video recording) Motion was introduced by Eileen Harney.
- Motion was seconded by Jak Maier
- No discussion of the motion.
- Motion passed.

C. [Motion to amend the Syllabus Checklist](#) (CAC)1. Draft [Student Handbook](#) for the Syllabus Checklist

- (00:55:33 video recording) Motion was introduced by Nicole Cundiff.
- Motion was seconded by Gordon Williams
- (00:56:27 video recording) discussion of the motion started.
- Motion passed.

D. [Motion to allow PhD students approved to “walk-through” for the 2018 commencement ceremony to be listed in the commencement program booklet](#)

- (00:57:34 video recording) Motion was introduced by Sean Topkok.
- Motion was seconded by Larry Duffy.
- (00:59:20 video recording) discussion of the motion started.
- Motion passed.

E. [Motion to Adopt an Alaska Native Themed Requirement as a degree requirement](#) (CAC)

1. [Criteria Rubric for required Alaska Native course](#)

- (01:21:35 video recording) Motion was introduced by Eileen Harney.
 - Invited Jessica Black, Assistant Professor in DANSRD to assist in the discussion and answer questions.
- Motion was seconded by Sean Topkok.
- (01:23:41 video recording) discussion of the motion started.
 - Gordon Williams moved to replace the word and with and/or in items #1 through #4 in the Criteria Rubric for required Alaska Native course.
 - Motion was seconded by Jak Maier.
 - The motion to amend passed.
- Motion passed: 20 ayes, 9 nays, and 3 abstentions.

F. [Motion to Approve CFOS Fisheries Unit Criteria](#) (Unit)

1. [Edited Copy](#)

2. [Clean Copy](#)

- (01:03:38 video recording) Motion was introduced by Julie Matweyou.
- Motion was seconded by Nicole Cundiff.
- No discussion of the motion.
- Motion passed.

G. [Motion to Approve Sociology Unit Criteria](#) (Unit)

1. [Edited Copy](#)

2. [Clean Copy](#)

3. [Support for public sociology criteria](#)

- (01:56:55 video recording) Motion was introduced by Julie Matweyou.
- Motion was seconded by Jeff May.
- (02:00:50 video recording) discussion of the motion started.
- Motion passed: 23 ayes, 2 nays, 4 abstentions

H. [SNRE Resolution to the Chancellor](#) (FAC)

- (02:05:38 video recording) Resolution was introduced by Jak Maier.
- Resolution was seconded by Sine Anahita
- (02:08:20 video recording) discussion of the motion started.
- Resolution was moved to be tabled for the next meeting.

- I. [Motion to Confirm the Nominee for OSSYA](#)
 1. [Nomination text from Andy Mahoney](#)

- (01:05:20 video recording) Motion was introduced by Chris Fallen.
- Motion was seconded by Sean Topkok
- (01:05:56 video recording) discussion of the motion started.
- Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm prior to the discussion items.

VIII. Discussion and Information Items 2:35-2:50

- A. [Results from ASUAF student survey](#) on adopting Carnegie hour for course sharing
 1. Faculty Survey: In Progress
 2. Faculty shared [document discussion on switch to Carnegie hours](#)
- B. [Election Results](#)
- C. [Provost Finalists](#) - click for detailed schedule
 1. Betty Lou Leaver - April 4th-5th
 2. Rajib Sanyal - April 16th-17th
 3. Paul Layer - April 19th-20th
 4. Anupma Prakash - April 23rd-24th

IX. Members' Comments/Questions/Announcements 2:50-3:00

- A. General Comments/Announcements
- B. Committee Chair Comments (*an active link is added if minutes are submitted*)
 1. Standing Committees:
 - a) Administrative Committee - Donie Bret-Harte
 - b) Curricular Affairs Committee - Eileen Harney ([2-12-18 Minutes](#), [2-26-18 Minutes](#))
 - c) Faculty Affairs Committee - Andy Anger & Jak Maier ([2-14-18 Minutes](#))
 - d) Unit Criteria Committee - Julie Matweyou ([2-15-18 Minutes](#))
 2. Permanent Committees:
 - a) Committee on the Status of Women - Jennifer Guerard & Ellen Lopez ([3-7-18 Minutes](#))
 - b) GER and Core Committee - Leah Berman ([GERC Review Cycle Page](#))
 - c) Curriculum Review Committee - Nicole Cundiff ([CRC Review Cycle Page](#))
 - d) Faculty Development, Assessment and Improvement Committee - Sarah Stanley & Steve Hunt ([2-1-18 Minutes](#))

- e) Graduate Academic and Advisory Committee - Sean Topkok
([GAAC Review Cycle Page](#), [2-16-18 Minutes](#))
- f) Information Technology Committee - Rick McDonald
- g) Research Advisory Committee - Anna Liljedahl & Rob Rember
([12-11-18 Minutes](#), [1-22-18 Minutes](#), [2-19-18 Minutes](#))
- h) Student Academic Development and Achievement Committee -
Sandra Wildfeuer & Jennifer Tilbury ([2-8-18 Minutes](#))
- i) Faculty Administrator Review Committee - has not convened

X. Adjourn

3:00

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm.

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