

Coalition of Student Leaders

Minutes

February 18, 2019 – 4:00–5:00pm

[Google Meet](#) or call 262-607-9009 PIN: 443 038 146#

Members

Anthony Alvey, Kodiak College Student Association yes yes yes
Michael Livingston for Gabriella Barile, United Students of UAS-Sitka yes yes yes
Nick Bursell, United Students of UAS-Juneau, Coalition Chair yes yes yes
Audrey Kirby, Associated of Students at UAF yes yes yes
Ryan McCrossin, Matanuska-Susitna College yes yes yes
Kevin Parrish, United Students of UAS-Ketchikan not present
Zobeida Rudkin, Kachemak Bay Student Association yes yes yes
Dennis Sweitzer, Kenai River Campus Student Union yes yes yes
Teresa Wrobel, Union of Student at UAA, Coalition Vice Chair yes yes yes

Ex Officio Members

Joey Sweet, Student Regent

Staff

Morgan Dufseth, Executive Officer, System Governance

Guests

Alex Jorgensen, USUAA Speaker of the Assembly

Agenda

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
The meeting came to order at 4 p.m. and quorum was met.
2. Review and Adopt Agenda
Teresa moved to adopt, seconded. No objections.
3. Approve [January 23](#) Minutes

4. Public and Guest Comments

None given.

5. Reports

- a. Chair - UAS faculty and students held a rally outside the Capitol on Feb. 13 shortly after the governor's budget was released. The rally seemed to invigorate the UAS/Juneau community in its support of UA. SGUAS-JC also passed funding to cover legislative affairs conference catering.
- b. Vice Chair - Working to advocate for UA's budget and noticed it has created motivation for folks to work together.
- c. Student Regent - Public testimony update - in-person testimony is coming back to BOR meetings - Feb. 28 at 8:15 a.m. Also held an in-person public testimony session specifically on the UAA SOE accreditation issue; there was a lot of anger from those who testified. Also concern that UAA SOE had the only UA program on early childhood education--currently working to identify how that will be addressed. Next two weeks will see the Academic and Student Affairs committee meet on Feb. 21; the full BOR will meet on Feb. 28 and March 1. There will be a UAA SOE re-accreditation discussion but Regent Sweet was not sure if there will be a vote taken on whether to re-apply. This is scheduled to be Regent Sweet's last regular meeting. Holding a special election tomorrow at UAA to garner two student regent nominees (there were two but one dropped out). Regent Sweet is working on a transition document to share with the next student regent.

6. New Business

- a. UAA School of Education Accreditation - [draft resolution](#)
Teresa moved to amend the resolution to include 'transparency'; seconded. No objections.
Audrey moved to amend the second resolved clause of the resolution; seconded.
Audrey moved to amend the whereas statement on transfer fees to match the language in the resolved clause; seconded. No objection.
Audrey moved to amend the resolution with an additional resolve clause on apply for re-accreditation; seconded. No objections.

Teresa moved to approve the resolution; seconded.
Roll call: 8-0
Result: Motion carries

- b. Alcohol and Marijuana Policy Review – [draft for review](#)
Nick asked students to share this policy and they can send comments and feedback to him and/or Morgan on or before March 5. Will be discussed at the next meeting.
- c. FY20 Budget Update – [Gov. Dunleavy’s Budget Website](#)
Morgan gave a brief review of Gov. Dunleavy’s proposed budget and the ways it could potentially impact UA and its students.
- d. AK Public Education Matters! – Teresa and Alex – [video](#)
USUAA put together this video to help with student advocacy. Teresa asked other member to share the video, and also suggested having the Coalition film something similar when they are together in Juneau.
- e. Budget Response – Teresa – draft resolution–[draft resolution](#)
Teresa reviewed the resolution briefly with other members. There were no major questions or concerns expressed by the Coalition.
Anthony moved to approve the resolution; seconded.
Roll Call: 8-0
Result: Motion carries
- f. Administrator Communication to Students – Audrey – [draft resolution](#)
Audrey noted fees were increased at UAF and the students were not informed adequately by administration; this resolution is in response to concerns that administrators are not properly notifying students of changes.
Teresa moved to approve the resolution; seconded.
Roll call: 8-0
Result: Motion carries
- g. Staff Make Students Count Award – [SMSC website](#)
 - i. Nomination Deadline: March 15

7. Ongoing Business

- a. Legislative Conference Planning – What can you do now?
 - i. [Contact for 2019 Legislators](#) – drop them a line!
 - ii. Attend Town Hall meetings or other local gatherings w/legislators
 - iii. Check out the Legislative Conference Folder in the Team Drive
 - iv. Another rally at the Capitol on March 18?

8. Campus Updates

Kodiak - Campus is recruiting for a new director.

Sitka- Hiring new officers at Sitka.

Juneau - Changes to constitution has been approved but focusing mostly on the budget in the last week.

Fairbanks - Held a Valentine's Day event to help spread awareness of ASUAF; met for three hours yesterday. Create an ad hoc committee to address the budget.

Holding a letter writing campaign and passed funding to support it. In a week, holding a leadership strategy planning meeting.

Mat-Su - Working to revise constitution and bylaws and are voting on amendments. Holding an event on Feb. 27 that should have a strong turnout.

KBC - Held a scholarship workshop on Feb. 12 for large UA scholarships. Working on a letter writing campaign along with KPC and are going to develop tips for students on writing to their legislators. Hosting focus groups on student retention.

KRC - Preparing for the legislative fly-in.

9. Roundtable

10. Adjourn

Audrey moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

11. Announcements

BOR Public Testimony - Tues., Feb. 19 - 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. - 1-866-726-0757