

## **University of Alaska Statewide System Bylaws of the Board of Regents**

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A. Name.

The official name of the Board of Regents will be the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska. In these bylaws, the term “board” means the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska.

B. Constitutional Authority.

1. The University of Alaska is established by the Constitution of the State of Alaska, Article VII, Section 2, which provides:

The University of Alaska is hereby established as the state university and constituted a body corporate. It shall have title to all real and personal property now or hereafter set aside for or conveyed to it. Its property shall be administered and disposed of according to law.

2. The Board of Regents and its authority over the University of Alaska is established by the Constitution of the State of Alaska, Article VII, Section 3, which provides:

The University of Alaska shall be governed by a board of regents. The regents shall be appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by

**BL02. Appointment, Term of Office, Compensation and Orientation.**

A. Appointment of Regents.

Regents will be selected, appointed, and will hold office in the manner provided by law. For purposes of determining the qualifications for office of the student regent appointed pursuant to AS 14.40.150(b), "full-time student" as used in AS 14.40.130(e) means a

**BL05. Officer Election, Term of Office, Removal from Office, and Vacancies.**

- A. Election.  
At the annual meeting of the board, the officers of the board will be elected by a simple majority vote. Voting may be by secret ballot. Nominations will be taken from the floor.
- B. Term of Office.  
The officers of the board will serve a 1-year term of office or until a successor is elected. A regent may not hold office as chair for more than three full consecutive terms.
- C. Removal from Office.  
An officer of the board may be removed from the office by a simple majority vote of the whole board at any regular or special meeting.

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exhibit the records at any time to any person authorized to inspect the same. The treasurer will give a bond for the faithful performance of duties in such sum as the board may prescribe, the premiums to be paid from the funds of the university.

E. Secretary or Treasurer Pro Tem.

In the absence of the secretary or treasurer, the chair may appoint a regent to serve as secretary pro tem or treasurer pro tem who will have all authority of the secretary or treasurer. The appointments may be terminated by a majority vote of the board.

F. Delegation of Powers.

In case of the absence of any officer of the board, or for any other reason that the board may deem sufficient, the board, by majority vote, may delegate the powers or duties of





- H. Special Committees.  
The board chair may appoint such special committees with such membership and responsibilities as the chair may determine.

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**BL08. Meetings of the Board of Regents and Committees.**

- A. Open Meetings  
Meetings of the board and its committees are subject to the Alaska Open Meetings Act. The board will provide adequate facilities for members of the public to attend board meetings.
- B. Executive Sessions.





2. The first order of business at any meeting of the board will be the adoption of the agenda for the meeting. At that time,

**BL12. University President.**

In accordance with Article VII, Section 3, of the Alaska Constitution, the board will appoint the president by a majority vote of the whole board and fix the president's compensation. The board shall annually review the performance of the president. A failure to conduct a performance review is an internal matter and does not affect the validity of any action.

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**BL13. Indemnification.**

The board will defend, indemnify, and hold harmless board members and officers, university officers and employees, and members of advisory bodies and councils established by policy or regulation from any and all liability or damage arising out of acts on behalf of the board and the university performed within the course or scope of their official duties.

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**BL14. Board Policies.**

The board may adopt, amend, or repeal policies. Action by the board to adopt or amend a policy of the board may be taken at any regular, special, or emergency meeting by a majority vote of the whole board, but any proposed policy or policy proposed for amendment must appear in the advance agenda of the meeting.

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**BL15. Bylaws and Policy Manual.**

The board will maintain its bylaws and policies in the form of a compiled manual entitled "Regents' Bylaws and Policy," which will be made available for public inspection.

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**BL16. University Regulations.**

The president is authorized to adopt regulations consistent with bylaws and policies of the board and maintain them in the form of a compiled manual entitled "University Regulations," which will be made available for public inspection. The lack of a regulation anticipated in policy is an internal matter and does not create a right of action for any purpose.

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**BL17. Actions by the Board of Regents; Ratification; Objections.**

- A. The board at any meeting may take action by motion that is consistent with these bylaws, even if inconsistent with adopted policy.
- B. Requirements of these bylaws may be waived at any time by unanimous consent of all regents who are not disqualified from acting on the matter. Actions of the board in violation of these bylaws may be ratified by a majority vote at a meeting of the board at least three days following notice of the action to all regents.
- C. Objections to proceedings or action taken during meetings must be made as soon as reasonably possible and the right of a regent to object may be waived by action of that regent which is inconsistent with the objection.

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**BL18. Priority in the Event of Conflict.**

If provisions conflict, the following order of priority will apply:

1. Bylaws
2. Regents' Policy
3. University Regulation
4. Major Administrative Unit (MAU) Rules



- a. In accordance with AS 39.52.120(a)(4), *Roberts Rules of Order* and this bylaw, the affected member may not participate in the vote, but is considered an active member for purposes of the required majority.
5. If the motion passes by the required majority the secretary immediately shall transmit the motion, the report and any written response or materials provided by