
Regents Present:

Ralph Seekins, Chair
Karen Perdue, Vice Chair
Dale Anderson, Secretary
Scott Jepsen, Treasurer
Stephen Colligan
Seth Church
Joey Crum
Paula Harrison
Mary K. Hughes
Dennis L. Michel

Regents Absent:

Albiona Selimi

A. Governance Reports

Ronnie Houchin, Staff Alliance Chair, reported on the following topics: the alliance continues to interpret and work on the employee engagement survey data, staff resources are thinly stretched in some areas, increasing enrollment could bring new resources to assist staff as it helps to keep the student at the universities, the board's work on retention, noting recruitment has a direct effect on the students' connection to the university, and staff satisfaction

Motion by Karen Perdue, second by Mary K Hughes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Seth Church, Joey Crum, Paula Harrison, Mary K Hughes, Scott Jepsen, Dennis L Michel, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins

Not Present at Vote: Dale G Anderson, Stephen Colligan

Motion by Karen Perdue, second by Mary K Hughes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Seth Church, Stephen Colligan, Joey Crum, Paula Harrison, Mary K Hughes, Scott Jepsen, Dennis L Michel, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins

Not Present at Vote: Dale G Anderson

POLICY CITATION

Regents' Policy 05.01.040 – Acceptance of State Appropriations states, "The board must accept state appropriations to the university before any expenditure may be made against the appropriation."

RATIONALE AND RECOMMENDATION

President Pitney and Vice President Rizk presented a summary of the FY25 operating budget appropriation and discuss the operating funding distribution

B. Acceptance of the FY25 Capital Budget Appropriation and Approval of Distribution Plan

Motion by Karen Perdue, second by Mary K Hughes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Seth Church, Stephen Colligan, Joey Crum, Paula Harrison, Mary K Hughes, Scott Jepsen, Dennis L Michel, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins

Not Present at Vote: Dale G Anderson

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C. Approval of the Proposed Adjustments to the UA Scholars Award Level

Motion by Karen Perdue, second by Mary K Hughes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Seth Church, Stephen Colligan, Joey Crum, Paula Harrison, Mary K Hughes, Scott Jepsen, Dennis L Michel, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins

Not Present at Vote: Dale G Anderson

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Chief Financial Officer

D. Approval of the FY25 Natural Resources Fund Budget

Motion by Karen Perdue, second by Mary K Hughes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Seth Church, Stephen Colligan, Joey Crum, Paula Harrison, Mary K Hughes, Scott Jepsen, Dennis L Michel, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins

Not Present at Vote: Dale G Anderson

POLICY CITATION

Regents' Policy 0.5.07.010 - Land-Grant Endowment, provides that the university president will present an annual budget to the board for approval.

RATIONALE

Per Regents' Policy 05.07.010(C), the Natural Resources Fund is to be used to "provide a margin of support over and above" what otherwise would be possible through traditional state, federal and private sources, and used to provide funding to projects and programs necessary to establish or enhance the quality of the university's academic programs, research, or public service. The sources of the funds available comes from the spending allowance generated by the Land Grant Endowment and Inflation Proofing Fund, currently set by the board at 4.5% of the average of the December 31 market value for the immediately preceding five years of the fund. Withdrawal of earnings in any fiscal year is limited to the unexpended accumulated earnings of the endowment as of the preceding December 31.

University of Alaska Scholars Program	\$	3,500,000	\$	3,500,000
Land Management		970,000		970,000
System-based Scholarships		170,000		170,000
IANRE USDA Grant Match and Cooperative Extension Support		500,000		500,000
University of Alaska Press		120,000		120,000
Empower Alaska Campaign		-		465,000
Supporting Board Goals and Priorities Incentives		-		500,000
Achieving Cost Effective Operations Process Improvement		-		150,000
Supporting the Ad Hoc Committee for Enrollment (Consulting)		-		228,000
G&M Emerging Opportunities		200,000		-
UAA: Preparing Students for Careers in Alaska		400,000		-
UAF: Post Doc & PhD Student Support to Advance Tier 1 Research Strategy		400,000		-
UAS: Maritime/Mariculture/Ocean Economy Student Recruitment		100,000		-
System Office: Advance Revenue Development Strategies		300,000		-
Construction Management (one-time)		200,000		-
Staff Development Fund		120,000		120,000
Faculty Initiative Fund		360,000		360,000
Foundation Philanthropic Support		-		500,000
Mining and Petroleum Training Service (MAPTS) (one-time)		-		200,000
University of Alaska Press (one-time)		119,200		-
Leadership & Team Development (Innovation Fund)		140,000		-
Reallocated from Prior Year Unexpended Balances		(388,200)		(1,200,000)

UA Scholars Program: The allocation request is based on the program being the university's largest scholarship outreach program and consists of an award paid over a period of eight semesters. The award is available to the top

ten percent of the graduates from every high school in Alaska. While an increase to the award amount of \$3,000 is being recommended for FY 2025, an adjustment to the UA Scholars' budget line is not necessary for FY 2025 due to current distributions and forecasted participation rates for the upcoming year.

Advancing Enrollment Plans with Student Financial Aid (FY25-FY27): Consistent with recommendations by the UA Scholars Working Group that met in the spring of 2024, this line item provides for a proportional distribution of student financial aid funding for each university. The student financial aid funding is intended to support growing enrollment at each university. Administration may recommend incremental

University of Alaska Foundation Philanthropic Support: This request is part of a larger rebalancing proposal between the UA Foundation and the University of Alaska that will come before the Board in September 2024. In that proposal, UA endowments will see a reduction of 30-basis points (bps) from 50 bps to 20bps. Current investment management fees for UA endowments are being used to support UA Foundation's operating activities. Therefore, a commensurate increase in philanthropic support is being recommended from the Natural Resources Fund, with the intent to provide this support from other revenue sources in the future.

Mining and Petroleum Training Service (MAPT) (one-time): UAF requests a one-time increment to support the transition of the MAPTS program to CTC and a new business model. (video timestamp 03: 33: 17)

A. Alaska College of Education Consortium Update

Alaska College of Education Consortium (ACEC) Liaison Weiss led a presentation updating the board on the ACEC, accompanied by the deans of the Schools of Education: Dean Dousay, University of Alaska Anchorage; Dean Vinlove, University of Alaska Fairbanks; and Interim Dean Simon, University of Alaska Southeast. (video timestamp 03: 57: 48)

A. Discussion Regarding Board Governance

Regents Hughes led a discussion on board governance and board assessment.

A. Executive Session

Motion by Mary K Hughes, second by Karen Perdue.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Seth Church, Stephen Colligan, Joey Crum, Paula Harrison, Mary K Hughes, Scott Jepsen, Dennis L Michel, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins

Not Present at Vote: Dale G Anderson

The Board of Regents went into executive session at 1:43 p.m. and concluded an executive session at 3:16 p.m. Alaska Time in accordance with AS 44.62.310 to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which could affect the reputation or character of a person or persons related to board self-assessment and to discuss matters that may have an adverse effect on the finances of the university related to legislative strategies. The session included members of the Board of Regents, President Pitney, General Counsel Cooper, and such other university staff members as the president designated and lasted approximately 1 hour and 33 minutes.

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DIRECTION

The Alaska College of Education Consortium (ACEC) shall develop a coordinated academic plan prior to the November Board of Regents' meeting for program development, enrollment, and increased number of graduates, internships, and apprenticeships for UA teacher preparation and other education programs. The chancellors shall review and approve the plan. The ACEC Coordinating Committee and ACEC Liaison shall review new programs coming from the UAA, UAF, and UAS Schools of Education and submit an analysis and recommendation to the Vice President for

Academics, Students, and Research (VPASR) for consideration by the Academic Council. The ACEC will provide the

The committee held a special meeting on March 21, 2024.

1. Lake Otis Ground Lease Proposal

PASSED

"The Facilities and Land Management Committee recommends that UA's Director of Land Management and the University of Alaska Anchorage continue negotiations within the general framework of the proposal under consideration, with the goal of bringing the Lake Otis ground lease proposed agreement to the Facilities and Land Management Committee and to the full board as soon as it is ready for review. This motion is effective March 21, 2024."

2. Committee Report

In addition to the action item, the committee held an executive session. (video timestamp 04:48:58)

A. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion by Scott Jepsen, second by Mary K Hughes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Voting in favor: Seth Church, Stephen Colligan, Joey Crum, Paula Harrison, Mary K Hughes, Scott Jepsen, Dennis L Michel, Karen Perdue, Ralph Seekins

Not Present at Vote: Dale G Anderson

B. Academic and Student Affairs Committee - Items from May 22, 2024

1. Approval of Revisions to Regents' Policy 10.02.040. - Academic Unit Establishment, Major Revision, and Elimination

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the revisions to Regents' Policy 10.02.040 - Academic Unit Establishment, Major Revision, and Elimination to (1) Move UAA Institute of Social and Economic Research out of College of Business and Public Policy to a stand-alone entity, (2) remove the Alaska State Climate Center from the University of Alaska Anchorage College of Arts and Sciences and relocate it into the University of Alaska Fairbanks Geophysical Institute where it has been housed since 2018, and (3) rename the University of Alaska Fairbanks College of Rural and Community Development to the College of Indigenous Studies (and re-alphabetize). The motion is effective May 23, 2024."

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE

Community Campuses

Kenai Peninsula College

Kodiak College

Matanuska-Susitna College

Prince William Sound College

College of Arts and Sciences

~~Alaska State Climate Center (AS 14.40.085)~~

College of Business and Public Policy

~~Institute of Social and Economic Research (AS 14.40.110)~~

College of Engineering

College of Health

School of Allied Health

School of Justice and Human Services

School of Nursing

School of Preventative and Therapeutic Sciences

Institute for Circumpolar Health Studies (AS 14.40.088)
School of Social Work
WWAMI School of Medical Education

Community and Technical College

~~Institute of Social and Economic Research (AS 14.40.110)~~

School of Education

University Honors College

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS
College of Business and Security Management

College of Engineering and Mines
Mineral Industry Research Laboratory (AS 14.40.115)

College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences
Institute of Marine Science (AS 14.40.080)
Seward Marine Center

~~College of Liberal Arts~~

~~College of Natural Science and Mathematics~~

~~College of Rural and Community Development~~

College of Indigenous Studies
Alaska Native Language Center (AS 14.40.117)
Bristol Bay Campus, Dillingham
Chukchi Campus, Kotzebue
Interior Alaska Campus, Fairbanks
Kuskokwim Campus, Bethel
Northwest Campus, Nome

~~College of Liberal Arts~~

~~College of Natural Science and Mathematics~~

Community and Technical College

Geophysical Institute
Alaska Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration – Research, Development, Test and Evaluation (ACUASI-RDT & E)
~~Alaska State Climate Center (AS 14.40.085)~~
Alaska Earthquake Center (AS 14.40.075)
Alaska Volcano Observatory (AS 14.40.075)
Poker Flat Research Range

Institute of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Extension
Cooperative Extension Service (federal mandate)
Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station (federal mandate)

Institute of Arctic Biology

International Arctic Research Center

Kodiak Seafood and Marine Science Center (AS 16.52.010-070)

Rasmuson Library

School of Education

University of Alaska Museum of the North

2. Approval of a Name Change for the Bachelor of Arts in Justice at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves a name change for the Bachelor of Arts in Justice to the Bachelor of Arts in Criminology and Criminal Justice at the University of Alaska Anchorage. This motion is effective May 23, 2024."

3. Approval of a Master of Science in School Psychology - Specialist at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves a Master of Science in School Psychology - Specialist at the University of Alaska Anchorage. This motion is effective May 23, 2024."

4. Approval of a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Early Childhood PreK-3rd Grade at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves a Post-Baccalaureate Certification in Early Childhood PreK-3rd Grade at the University of Alaska Anchorage. This motion is effective May 23, 2024."

5. Approval of a Bachelor of Science in Energy Resource Engineering at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves a Bachelor of Science in Energy Resource Engineering at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. This motion is effective May 23, 2024."

6. Approval of a Bachelor of Arts in Wildlife Ecology and Society at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves a Bachelor of Arts in Wildlife Ecology and Society at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. This motion is effective May 23, 2024."

Facilities and Land Management Committee - Items from May 22, 2024

1. Approval of Revisions to Regents' Policy 05.12. - Capital Planning and Facilities Management

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the revisions to Regents' Policy 05.12. - Capital Planning and Facilities Management as presented. This motion is effective May 23, 2024."

2. Approval of Revisions to Regents' Policy 05.06 - Procurement and Supply Management

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the revisions to Regents' Policy 05.06 - Procurement and Supply Management as presented. This motion is effective May 23, 2024."

3. Formal Project Approval for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Childcare Facility

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the formal project approval request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Childcare Facility as presented in compliance with the approved campus master plan as amended in this request, and authorizes the university administration to proceed through schematic design at a cost of \$350,000 with an estimated total project cost of \$10,000,000. This motion is effective May 23, 2024."

4. Formal Project Approval for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Patty Center Pool Code Corrections and Renewal

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the formal project approval request for the University of Alaska Fairbanks Patty Center Pool Code Corrections and Renewal as presented in compliance with the approved campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to proceed through schematic design at a cost of \$300,000 with an estimated total project cost of \$8,200,000. This motion is effective May 23, 2024."

5. Formal Project Approval for the University of Alaska Southeast Sitka Mariculture Program Expansion

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the formal project approval request for the University of Alaska Southeast Sitka Mariculture Program Expansion as presented in compliance with the approved campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration to proceed through schematic design and prepare construction documents at a cost of \$461,243 with an estimated total project cost of \$5,500,000. This motion is effective May 23, 2024."

6. Schematic Design Approval for the University of Alaska Anchorage Health Workforce Expansion & Diversity Project – Phase 2

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the schematic design approval request for the University of Alaska Anchorage Health Workforce Expansion & Diversity Project – Phase 2, as presented in compliance with the campus master plan, and authorizes the university administration

Steve Noonkesser, Anchorage, spoke in support of approving the Post-Baccalaureate Certification in Early Childhood PreK-3rd Grade at the University of Alaska Anchorage.

Frank Paskvan, Anchorage, spoke in support of transitioning the