AGENDA
UAF STAFF COUNCIL MEETING #185
Face-to-face meeting
(No audio conference)
Friday, 14 December 2007
8:45 – 11:00 a.m.
Wood Center Carol Brown Ball Room

Staff Council Audio-Conference Information: 1-800-893-8850
Chair PIN: 8244640 (only the chair or meeting convener uses this number). Participant PIN: 8244236.

Our next Staff Council meeting #186 is scheduled, Wednesday, 20 February 2008, 8:45-11 a.m., Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom.

1. 8:45-8:55 CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
   A. Adopt Staff Council #185 Agenda, Friday, 14 December 2007.
   B. Approve Staff Council Minutes #184, Wednesday, 14 November 2007.

2. 8:55-9:05 OFFICER REPORTS
   A. Kayt Sunwood, President, Staff Council.
   B. Juella Sparks, President-Elect, Staff Council.

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3. 9:05-9:25 GUEST(S)
   A. Stephen B. Jones, UAF Chancellor.
   B. Mike Humphrey, Director of Benefits, Human Resources, UA statewide: Current healthcare cost increase issues.

4. 9:25-9:35 GOVERNANCE REPORTS
   A. Jon Genetti, President, Faculty Senate.
   B. Jake Hamburg, President, ASUAF.

5. 9:35-9:40 PUBLIC COMMENT
   A. Naomi Horne, Development Officer, Development Office: Giving opportunities, specifically the UA Foundation funded Carolyn Sampson memorial Scholarship. Giving opportunities web link: http://www.uaf.edu/giving/annual/index.html.

ACTION

6. 9:40-9:50 UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   A. Discuss motion to certify Fall 2007 Election Results, Kelly Williams for Mary Pat Boger, Attachment #1.
INFORMATION

7.  9:50-10:00 NEW BUSINESS

A. Orientation: Orientation: new rep and alt orientation reminder, request recommendations for guest speakers, and request committee chairs to prepare committee presentations, Lynette Washington.
B. Discuss Bunnell House Resolution, Juella Sparks, Attachment #2.

8.  10:00-10:10 BREAK

9.  10:00-10:20 COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Staff Affairs, Liam Forbes, access meeting minutes at web link: http://www.uaf.edu/uaafgov/staff/staffcom/affairs/minutes/20071128.html .
B. Rural Affairs, Barbara Oleson, Rural Affairs, access meeting minutes at web link: http://www.uaf.edu/uaafgov/staff/staffcom/rural/ .
C. Elections, Membership, and Rules, Kelly Williams for Mary Pat Boger.
D. Advocacy Committee, Maria Russell.
E. Ad Hoc 2008 Staff Calendar, Gary Newman.

Committee Chairs: If available please forward your reports to fystaff@uaf.edu and post reports on the Governance web site - http://www.uaf.edu/uaafgov/staffcouncil.html

10.  10:20-10:30 EXTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORTS (if available).

A. Master Planning Committee (MPC) – Gary Newman, access the MPC Web site for the purpose of the MPC and the SCP for more details about the purpose of the committee and its subcommittees access URL: http://www.uaf.edu/mastplan/bylaws.html .
C. Governance Coordinating Committee (GCC) – Juella Sparks.
D. Chancellor’s Campus Diversity Action Committee (CCDAC) – Juella Sparks.
E. TAB Committee Report – Gary Newman, for more details about the TAB committee access URL: http://www.alaska.edu/uaf/tab/index.xml .
F. Provost Budget and Planning Committee - Gary Newman.

Note: this is the correct/current UAF Governance Web link: www.uaf.edu/uaafgov/staffcouncil.html .

11. 10:30-11:00 ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

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MOTION

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The UAF Staff Council moves to approve the fall 2007 Even-Numbered unit election results.

RATIONALE: The Elections, Membership, and Rules committee would like the Council to approve the fall 2007 Even-Numbered unit election results.

Effective: Immediately

Whereas, elections for even-numbered unit Staff Council Representatives and Alternates were held during the month of November and counted at a meeting of the Election Membership and Rules Committee on December 3, 2007; and

Whereas, the election results indicate that the following staff are elected to the following units according to this report of the Election Membership and Rules Committee;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the UAF Staff Council accepts the election report of the Election, Membership, and Rules Committee and certifies the election of Even-Numbered Unit Representatives and Alternates beginning their two-year terms January 1, 2008.

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RESOLUTION ON BUNNELL HOUSE

WHEREAS, it was announced that the Tanana Valley Campus (TVC) is no longer able to sustain the operating costs of the Bunnell House Early Childhood Lab School during the summer months and that it will close, starting in May 2008; and

Whereas, the provision of adequate childcare is a critical issue affecting all members of the university community, including faculty, staff, students, and administrators who depend on Bunnell House year-round; and

Whereas, with approximately 70 families on the Bunnell House wait list, there is a demonstrated need for expanded childcare on the UAF campus; and

WHEREAS, there is already a shortage of childcare available in Fairbanks, which is exacerbated when school is out for the summer; and

Whereas, most staff work 12 months of the year; and

Whereas, the loss of year-round childcare may have a disproportionate and negative impact on women, especially their recruitment, professional development, and retention; and

Whereas, Bunnell House has an experienced and knowledgeable permanent staff who will be unlikely to be retained if Bunnell House is closed during summer; and
**Whereas,** the Bunnell House ECL Advisory Committee, composed of representatives from TVC, UAF and the community is working to find long-term solutions to the challenges of keeping Bunnell House open year-round and expanding childcare services on campus; and

**WHEREAS,** the Staff Council affirms that providing on-campus childcare is a valuable tool in recruiting and retaining excellent faculty and staff; now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** That the UAF Staff Council strongly encourages the UAF campus to share in the operating costs of Bunnell House by contributing the funding needed for operating costs during the Summer 2008 and recognize the need for more childcare space on campus.

Offered to Staff Council by the Staff Affairs committee (Written by Diane Wagner, Juella Sparks, Sine Anahita, and Kayt Sunwood).

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