University of Alaska Fairbanks
Staff Council
Motion 2015-264-2
Approved

The University of Alaska Fairbanks Staff Council unanimously approved the following motion to amend the organization's Bylaws. The vote was by roll-call as follows:

FOR:

Mercedes Anderson  Stacey Howdeshell  Sue Mitchell
Jessica Armstrong  Melody Hughes  Mathew Mund
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Motion 2015-264-2:
Motion to Amend UAF Staff Council Bylaws to Remove Alumni and ASUAF Representation from the University Advocacy Committee Membership and to Restructure Section 5. Committees

MOTION

UAF Staff Council moves to amend the organization's Bylaws, as follows, to remove the requirement that the University Advocacy Committee include a representative from Alumni and a representative from ASUAF and to restructure Section 5. Committees

RATIONALE: Based on the University Advocacy Committee’s internal review of its bylaws, the committee requested the removal of the requirement for an Alumni and an ASUAF representative from their membership due to the fact that this requirement has not been met for many years. The amendment results in a committee structure that more accurately reflects the functioning committee. The remainder of Section 5 was updated and restructured.

Faye Gallant, President, UAF Staff Council

Date 10/2/15
UAF Staff Council Bylaws – Section 5. Committees

Section 5. Committees

A. Permanent Committees

[[THE CHAIRPERSONS OF EACH PERMANENT COMMITTEE SHALL BE INDIVIDUALLY EMPOWERED TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THEIR COMMITTEE TO STAFF COUNCIL. THEY ARE NOT EMPOWERED TO PRESENT AN OFFICIAL UAF STAFF COUNCIL POSITION STATEMENT WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE UAF STAFF COUNCIL.]]

[[THE PERMANENT COMMITTEES SHALL CONSIST OF:]]

[[I—The Permanent Committees shall be:]]

   a. Executive Board

   b. Elections Committee

   c. Membership and Rules Committee

   d. Staff Affairs Committee

   e. Rural Affairs Committee

   f. University Advocacy]

[[II—]] (I.) Executive Board

[[III—]] (II.) Elections Committee

[[IV—]] (III.) Membership and Rules Committee

   a. The chairperson shall be elected from the committee members.

   b. The committee shall have the following responsibilities:

      1. up a Staff Council Unit, and ‘compositions’ refers to individuals within a unit.

      2. Accept petitions for proposed changes to unit designations and unit compositions from constituents.
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[[5.]](4.) Based upon guidelines set forth in the Staff Council

[[6.]](5.) Responsible for parliamentary procedure of the Staff Council meetings.

[[V.]][IV.) Staff Affairs Committee

[[VI.]](V.) Rural Affairs Committee

[[VII.]](VI.) University Advocacy COMMITTEE

a. The chairperson shall be elected from the committee members.

[[b.—A representative from the Alumni Association and ASUAF will serve on the committee.]]

c. The committee shall have the following responsibilities:

1. Organize events and functions to help make the public aware of the value of University staff, as well as students and faculty

2. Organize events and functions that increase staff morale and awareness of the University

3. Focus on on-boarding, mentoring, and communications within Staff Council and public relations with the UAF community

d. The chairperson of the committee may establish subcommittees for specific issues.

[[VII.]](B.) Ad Hoc Committees

[[a.]](1.) Ad hoc committee membership shall be appointed by the President and shall report to the UAF Staff Council

[[b.]](2.) The ad hoc committee chair shall be elected from the committee members.

[[c.]](3.) If the committee elects no chair, the President may appoint a chairperson.

[[d.]](4.) Membership is not limited to Staff Council Representatives or a designated proxy.

[[e.]](5.) A time frame shall be established for the longevity of the committee and a deadline determined for their final report.
[[IX.])(C.) External Committee Appointments

[[a.]](1.) The governance office will track membership on external committees and notify Staff Council of pending appointment expirations.

[[b.]](2.) The President will call for candidates for the external committee appointment.

[[c.]](3.) Staff Council will vote on the nominated candidates.

[[d.]](4.) The President will confirm the appointment of successful candidate.

[[e.]](5.) The successful candidate will report to Staff Council the status of external committee during regular Staff Council meetings.

[[B.] The chairpersons of each permanent committee shall be individually empowered to act on behalf of their committee to Staff Council. They are not empowered to present an official UAF Staff Council position statement without the approval of the UAF Staff Council.]}

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