AGENDA
UAF STAFF COUNCIL #238
Tuesday, April 16, 2013
8:45-11:00AM
IARC 501

Audio Conference information: 1-800-893-8850, Participant PIN: 8244236

1. 8:45 – 8:55  CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
   A. Roll Call
   B. Approval of Agenda for Staff Council Meeting #238
   C. Approval of Minutes for Staff Council Meeting #235
   D. Approval of Minutes for Staff Council Meeting #236
   E. Approval of Minutes for Staff Council Meeting #237

2. 8:55 – 9:00  STATUS OF PENDING ACTIONS (none)

3. 9:00 – 9:05  PUBLIC COMMENT

4. 9:05 – 9:15  OFFICER REPORTS
   A. Juella Sparks, President
   B. Claudia Koch, Vice President

5. 9:15 – 9:25  REMARKS BY CHANCELLOR ROGERS

6. 9:25 – 9:35  GOVERNANCE REPORTS
   A. Jennifer Reynolds, President – Faculty Senate
   B. Mari Freitag, President – ASUAF

7. 9:35 – 9:50  UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   A. Health Care Benefit Update / Open Enrollment
   B. Officer Elections – May 16
   C. Outstanding Staff Council Achievement Award

9:50 – 9:55  BREAK

8. NEW BUSINESS (none)

9. 9:55-10:05  GUEST SPEAKERS
   A. Dr. Ping Lan, Arctic Innovation Competition

COMMITTEE REPORTS

10. 10:05 – 10:20  INTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORTS
   A. Elections, Membership, and Rules – Richard Machida
      – Attachment 238-5: April Committee Report
   B. Rural Affairs – Jeannette Altman
      – Attachment 238-1: April Committee Report
C. Staff Affairs – MaryAlice Short
   - Has not met

D. University Advocacy Committee – Lesli Walls
   - Attachment 238-10: April Committee Report

*Committee Chairs: Please forward your reports to uaf-staff-council@alaska.edu.

11. 10:20 – 10:30  EXTERNAL STATEWIDE COMMITTEE REPORTS
A. Staff Alliance’s Staff Health Care Committee – Gary Newman, Debbie Coxon, Mary Sue Dates (Alt), Debbie Gonzalez (Alt)
   - The last SHCC meeting was cancelled as the JHCC was also cancelled. The next SHCC meeting is scheduled for Tues. 4/23/13 at 9 am in Butrovich 212B. It will be video-conferenced.

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12. 10:30 – 10:40  EXTERNAL UAF COMMITTEE REPORTS (In Written Format)
A. Accreditation Steering Committee - ON HIATUS
B. Chancellor’s Advisory Committee for the Naming of Campus Facilities – Debbie Coxon
   - Attachment 238-6: April Committee Report
C. Chancellor’s Diversity Action Committee (CDAC) – ON HIATUS
   - Student Diversity Task Force – Claudia Koch
     - Has not met
   - Women’s Center Advisory Board – No representative
D. Chancellor’s Planning and Budget Committee – Juella Sparks (Rep), Trish Winners (Alt)
E. Intercollegiate Athletic Council – Debbie Coxon & Jesse Atencio
   - Attachment 238-7: April Committee Report
F. Master Planning Committee (MPC) – Gary Newman (Rep), Richard Machida (Alt)
   - Attachment 238-3: April Committee Report
G. Meritorious Service Awards Committee – Claudia Koch
   - Has not met
H. Parking Advisory Committee (PAC) – Tom Langdon
   - Has not met
   - Committee members have independently reviewed three parking citations
I. People’s Endowment Committee – Debbie Gonzalez
   - Attachment 238-9: April Committee Report
J. RISE Board – Ian Olson
   - Attachment 238-8: April Committee Report
K. Technology Advisory Board Committee (TAB) – Adam Kane & Chris Bekes
   - Has not met
L. Work-Life Balance Committee – INACTIVE

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13. 10:40 – 10:50  AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS
A. Chancellor’s Cornerstone Award Committee – Brad Krick
   - Attachment 237-2: April Committee Report
B. Staff Appreciation Day Planning Group – Ashley Munro
C. Staff Makes Students Count Award Committee – Richard Machida

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14. **10:50 – 11:00** ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

15. **11:00** ADJOURN
In Attendance:
Jeannette Altman (Chair), Chris Bekes, Kirsten Bey, Travis Brinzow, Deb Jeppsen, Adam Kane, Brad Krick, Ashley Munro, Ben Tucker, Nicole Dufour

Excused:
Sara Battiest, Richard Machida, Evelyn Pensgard, Juella Sparks, Claudia Koch

A. Alternate vs. At-Large Membership
The discussion continued on the benefits vs. potential pitfalls if At-Large membership vs. Alternate seats.

B. Feedback Loops
The office of the Alaska State Ombudsman, as well as the UAF Grapevine, are both good resources for those experiencing conflict at work and may be in a vulnerable position if a complaint is made. While these are great resources, the conversation was begun to explore the need for a UA-centered Ombudsman.

http://ombud.alaska.gov/

http://www.uaf.edu/grapevine/

C. Travel Proposal to Rural Campuses
The following campuses were proposed for visitation:
- Chuckchi (Kotzebue)
- Northwest (Nome)
- Kuskokwim (Bethel)
- Bristol Bay (Dillingham)
- CTC, Interior-Aleutians
Staff Council Meeting Report
Chancellor’s Cornerstone Award Committee

Members: Brad Krick (chair), Robin Weinant, MaryAlice Short, Deb Jeppsen, and Claudia Koch

The committee received the nominations for the 2013 Chancellor’s Cornerstone Award on Thursday, March 28. We individually read and scored them and then came together on Wednesday, April 3 to discuss the nominations. On Friday, April 5 we met to finalize our nominations and forward them to the Chancellor. The award will be presented on May 15 during Staff Appreciation Day.

As a committee, we were asked for feedback on the award and the process. We came up with these recommendations:

- The committee would like to receive the nominations earlier so as to have more time to read and review them.
- Nominators were asked to answer at least three of eight questions on the nomination form. Some answered all eight questions. In addition, some answered the question with one sentence; others with detailed paragraphs. This made it difficult to score all the nominations equally. We suggest that either the number of questions be reduced or more questions be required to be answered.
- Ensure that this award is on par with other awards of merit, like Staff Make Students Count. Ideas to increase the appeal of this award:
  - A free parking spot for one year
  - Airlines miles
  - Monetary award
  - Party for department of winner
- All nominees should be recognized, perhaps with a Cornerstone Pin. The list of nominees should also be publicized. Finally, we also think it would be a great morale booster if nominees could read their nominations.
UAF Master Plan Committee (MPC)

April 11, 2013

Meeting Notes by Gary Newman

1. Presentation by Chas Jones for the UAF Community Garden (on old Fairbank St. alignment south of the bridge. It was created for summer 2012 with 42 plots, demand for at least 83 plots, asking to expand to the south. MPC agreed.

2. West Ridge Plaza rocket installation. The Geophysical Institute had requested permission to mount a rocket in the plaza roughly south of the Elvey Bldg. This was forwarded from the Campus Landscape Subcommittee of the MPC. The size of the rocket, originally 40’ is now 70’. Discussion over exact placement so as to not overshadow the Milepost sign. MPC requested these items be rendered to size and to alternate locations and come back to MPC. Deb Coxon is the lead on communicating with the MPC.

3. Troth Yeddha park area development – a many point spreadsheet of items with approximate costs were presented. Total cost $3.9 mm to be privately funded. Prioritizing of items such as S. of Yukon Dr. viewing platform, Honors’ circles, etc. The group is working with landscape architects Jones and Jones – www.jonesandjones.com

4. Trails Committee – continuing progress on Goals, Objectives and Performance Measures. MPC reviewed the plan outline and discussed a number of the specific areas where improvements were needed to encourage non-vehicular access to and within the UAF campus. The Trails Committee entertained a presentation from Nat and Caren Goodhue. Nat is an alumnus of UAF from the 1960’s and had been involved in a number of trails development and planning for the Equinox Marathon, Anchorage area and now lives in Stowe, VT. They were in town, intrigued by the effort of the Trails Committee. It was noted that the Yankovich-Miller Hill bike path plans might be available from DOT in June, 2013, with construction 2-3 years out.

5. Discussion about desire to establish a roller ski course. No decision and the $1.2 mm cost would hopefully be privately funded.

6. Biking on specific N. Campus trails had been approved by the N. Campus Subcommittee and it was agreed that a trial period was in order.

7. A second disk golf course is being looked at for the N. Campus area. Conflicts with existing uses will be looked at and mitigated. Due to construction on campus and the Terrain Park, the existing 18 hole course will likely be reduced to a 9 hole course.

8. Art Subcommittee – the wooden piece in front of Wood Center will be moved for construction. Any repairs and an alternate location is being looked at.

9. Communications: There is a Student Cornerstone electronic newsletter in development.

10. Next meeting April 25, 2013 – 9 am – 11 am – Signers Hall – Chancellor’s Conference Room
CAMPUS COMMUNITY GARDEN
Proposed Expansion

Chas Jones
PhD student, Campus Community Garden Committee Chairperson
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LOCATION & PURPOSE

- Place to grow organic foods
- Enhance campus community across disciplines and between students, staff, and faculty
- Outreach: workshops, classes, & campus tours
- Mental & physical well-being
- Site beautification

FORMERLY FAIRBANKS AVE.
ROADWAY CONVERTED INTO CAMPUS COMMUNITY GARDEN

2012 Garden Process

Consulted with
- UAF Lands office
- Facility Services
- CCHRC & Sustainable Village
- Master Planning Committee
- Parking Services
- Environmental Health, Safety and Risk Management
- UAF Police Dept.

2012 – Actual gardeners (42 plots)

- Student 52%
- Faculty 12%
- Staff 31%
- Alumni 3%
- Other 2%

Percentage breakdown (as of March 28)

2013 – 82 Plots reserved (as of April 8)

- Student 57%
- Faculty 31%
- Staff 12%
- Alumni 7%
- Other 4%

38% Undergraduate 62% Graduate

Percentage breakdown (as of April 8)
GARDEN – Proposed expansion

2012:
• 50 ft x 120 ft
• 0.14 Acre

Infrastructure
• 42 plots
• 6 ft wire fence
• 2 Water tanks
• Storage shed
• 2 Picnic tables

2013 Proposed:
• 50 ft x 200 ft (+80 ft)
• 0.23 Acre (+.09 Acre)

Infrastructure
• 100 plots (+48 plots)
• 6 ft wire fence (+ 210 ft)
• 2 Water tanks
• Storage shed
• 2 Picnic tables

• Proposed installation
  (May 11 & May 18)

Garden Successes

• Infrastructure
• Committed gardening group
• Email listserv
• Garden Committee
  (3 students, 1 faculty, 1 staff)
• 2 gardening workshop
  • 24 participants (2012)
  • ~ 70 participants (2013)
• 2 Garden BBQ Social (2012)
• Sun Star / Cornerstone
• Facility Services cooperation
  (most helpful)

Questions / Advice?

Chas Jones
Master Planning Committee
of
University of Alaska Fairbanks

Date: April 11, 2013

To: Brian Rogers, Chancellor

From: Josh Greenberg, Chair

Re: MPC Recommendation 2013-03 – Biking corridor along winter walking trail

The UAF Master Planning Committee recommends allowing winter biking on current walking trail that run north-south from LARS to the ASF antennae, as well as the walking trail immediately south of the stadium, and the walking trail on ASF antennae access road. The impacts of winter biking on the trail system will be reviewed by the North Campus Sub-committee in spring 2014.

Motion made by:  
Seconded by:  
Passed:
UAF COMPLETE SIDEWALK AND TRAILS PLAN

Definition
The University of Alaska Fairbanks’ (UAF) Complete Sidewalk and Trails Plan focuses on non-motorized users. This include sidewalks, recreational activity trails, and specialty trails both on and connection to campus. Sidewalks are portions of a roadways or pathways connecting buildings that are intended for pedestrians. Trails are pathways for recreation and/or travel within natural environment, parks, greenways or designated corridors that are not designated as roadways. The Complete Sidewalk and Trails concept is a derivation of the Complete Street concepts by the National Complete Streets Coalition http://www.smartgrowthamerica.org/ where sidewalks, trails and roadway elements are considered for all users during design and construction. The main principles are to design and accommodate user safety, prioritize pedestrian movement, sensitivity to the surrounding context while at the same time mitigate environmental impacts. For UAF, the intended users are: runners, walkers, strollers, bicyclists, hikers, snowshoers, roller skiers, skier, and wheelchair users.

Vision Statement
UAF strives to increase overall active living, mobility and wellness by providing an integrated non-motorized sidewalk and trail network of facilities throughout the campus for the purposes of recreation, athletics, conservation, education and research, and alternative modes of commuting. This network should be safe, convenient, efficient, and ease to travel for all ages and abilities.

Goals, Objectives and Performance Measures
The following goals, objectives and performance measures will support the vision statement:

Connectivity and Integration

Goal:
Promote connectivity and integration of new and existing sidewalks and trails to both UAF and adjacent Fairbanks North Star Borough’s (FNSB) network.

Objective:
1. Identify and prioritize closing gaps or uncompleted sidewalks and trails that currently exist.
2. Provide sidewalks where pedestrians currently walk with no sidewalks (major goat trails).
3. Provide sidewalks on both sides of major and popular campus roadways.
4. Improve and expand the existing sidewalks and trails system, by completing and connecting to FNSB network and adding segments in high priority corridors.
5. Connect visitors’ destination points such as the Museum of the North and UAF Botanical Gardens.
6. Promote Fairbanks regional coordination, communication and information sharing amongst agencies on non-motorized plans.

**Performance Measure:**
1. Number of destinations/activity centers connected to sidewalks and trails.
2. Track the percent reduction in the presence of gaps in inaccessible sidewalk system per year.
3. Number of completed sidewalk and trail connections per year.
4. Number of projects in partnership or by other agencies such as DOT/FMATS and FNSB impacting UAF per year.

**Accessibility**

**Goal:**
Improve and provide greater access to existing and future sidewalks and trails for all ages and abilities.

**Objective:**
1. Provide safe and convenient roadway crossings for all pedestrians and trail users.
2. Create and implement a plan to eliminate barriers to sidewalks and where appropriate to trails using best practice and current ADA (Americans with Disability Act or PROWAG - Public Right of Way Accessible Guidelines) accessibility standards.
3. Perform periodic safety inspections to identify potentially harmful or dangerous conditions and create an itemized and prioritized list of necessary repairs, replacements and improvements.
4. Focus on partnering with FNSB and AKDOT/FMATS to achieve ADA compliant sidewalk and appropriate trails within a half mile radius of UAF of noncompliant sidewalks and trails.

**Performance Measure:**
1. Number of ADA compliant curb ramps installed or improved per year.
2. Number of physical obstructions that have been removed from sidewalks and trails per year.
3. Measure compliance towards achieving a fully accessible walkways network by 2025.

**Recreation, Fitness and Athletics**

**Goal:**
Promote health/fitness benefits of physical activity.

**Objectives:**
1. Continue to facilitate a high quality outdoor varsity and intramural athletic training, conditioning and competition venue.
2. Provide trails for a variety of users including runners, walkers, strollers, bicyclists, hikers, skaters, and wheelchair users.
3. Provide recreation trail amenities such as distance markers, drinking fountains, fitness stations, benches, litter receptacles and lighting where appropriate.
4. Provide trailheads at locations where parking and other amenities currently exist.

**Performance Measure:**
1. Total number or linear miles of designated bicycle/pedestrian lanes.
2. Total number or linear miles of designated athletic trails.
3. Number of students who use trails for training.
4. Number of collegiate or intermural athletic activities conducted in the trails per year.
5. Number of UAF and community-sponsored bicycle/walking/running recreational events.

Maintenance and Stewardship

**Goal:**
Properly and regularly maintain sidewalks and trails to increase user safety and to enhance the quality of existing amenities and infrastructure.

**Objectives:**
1. Design and construct trails, sidewalks and amenities for low maintenance.
2. Uniformly maintain all sidewalks and trails by developing a maintenance program which ensures that trails are inspected and maintained on a regular schedule.
3. Promote sustainable and balanced development and maintenance to protect and preserve the open spaces and natural environment.
4. Establish standard signage along the trails for regulatory, identification, and to educate the users about local ecology and ongoing research activities.
5. Provide context sensitive design guidelines and standards for developing and maintaining sidewalks and trails.

**Performance Measures:**
1. Number of pedestrian wayfinding signs in place.
2. Type and number of sidewalk and trail improvements completed.
3. Existing sidewalk and trail facilities assessed for retrofitting or improvements.
4. Miles of winter trail miles groomed.

Sustainability and Environmental Education

**Goal:**
Continue to develop sidewalk and trail network that protects greenway corridors that will enhance the environment and conserve wetlands and the natural habitats.

**Objective:**
1. Promote the use of recycled materials in all aspects of sidewalk and trail development.
2. Provide interpretive signage along trails to highlight the natural resources, cultural and historical attributes, the educational and research sites.
3. Utilize trails to educate the users about the best resource natural management practices.
4. Enhance and protect the already conserved natural habitats and environmentally sensitive areas such as wetlands.
5. Minimize the amount of land devoted to automobile parking.

**Performance Measures:**
1. Miles of trails in scenic / interpretive/educational corridors.
2. Miles of sidewalk in scenic / interpretive/educational corridors.
3. Percentage of projects that incorporate environmentally friendly and context sensitive designs.
Sustained Funding

**Goal:**
Identify sustained funding and staffing resources for planning, construction and maintenance.

**Objective:**
1. Identify and create a prioritized sidewalk and trail project list for inclusion into the yearly Deferred Maintenance List.
2. Develop a Capital Improvement Plan based on priorities, needs and available resources.
3. Reduce backlog of needed maintenance projects and transition the needs into a preventive maintenance program.
4. Apply for local, state or federal funding/grants for sidewalks and trails.
5. Require and establish a method that new and future capital developments provide connected sidewalks and trails.

**Performance Measures:**
1. Miles of sidewalks and trails constructed as part of a capital projects.
2. Number of projects constructed that included sidewalks, and bike parking spaces.
3. Percentage of funding dedicated during each year’s capital improvement program for projects that primarily serve sidewalks and trails.
4. Number and dollar value of sidewalk, bicycle, and trail projects funded each year.
5. Number and amount of grant funding applied for and obtained for sidewalks and trails.

Alternative Commuting

**Goal:**
Promote alternative modes of commuting to and from UAF using non-motorized methods.

**Objective:**
1. Support wellness programs and create physical environment and amenities that promote pedestrian travel on campus and alternative commuting.
2. Provide pedestrian links at major entry points to the campus and the areas of interest and destinations.
3. Provide and improve existing amenities (i.e. showers, bicycle parking, lock-ups) at appropriate locations.
4. Whenever possible, promote sidewalk and trail projects in tandem with planned roadway improvements to minimize cost and disruption segments.

**Performance Measure:**
1. Total number or linear miles of designated and constructed sidewalks and trails.
2. Number of faculty, staff and students who use non-motorized modes of commuting.
3. Percentage of streets with sidewalks or trails.
4. Identify bicycle amenities such as bike racks and bike boxes.
5. Percentage of buildings with bike parking accommodations.
6. Number of shower facilities installed in non-residential buildings.
Safety

Goal:
Design and manage all components of the trail and sidewalk system to maximize safety and security of users.

Objective:
1. Provide appropriate signage and lighting in areas of high usage that are open and used in the winter and at night.
2. Enhance crossings in locations without signal and provide safe cross-walks and signaling where appropriate.
3. Reduce the number of pedestrian related collisions, injuries, slips and falls.
4. Design and construct sidewalks and trails to national standards for user safety.
5. Perform periodic safety inspections to identify potentially harmful or dangerous conditions and create an itemized list of necessary repairs and improvements.

Performance Measure:
1. Number of miles of separated sidewalks and trails.
2. Maintain and compare number of non-motorized users and motor vehicle collisions by location and intersections. Identify if intersection signalized or non-signaled.
3. Number of signalized intersections with bicycle and pedestrian detection systems.
Staff Appreciation Day Planning Group – April 2013 Committee Report

Save the Date and Cornerstone Announcement
Staff Appreciation Day is May 15. The save-the-date has been posted in the cornerstone, and will continue to post until the day of the event. Currently we plan on having a different part of the day or session highlighted each week.

Registration and Website
We will launch our website with registration the week of April 15 and will close a couple of weeks before the event.

Sessions
We have 60 sessions!!!! This year we have eight different tracks which includes:
- Community, Wellness & Safety
- Professional Development
- Technology
- Travel & Recreation
- Education
- Active
- Craft & Cooking
- Get to know UAF

Eight sessions will also be presented via ELive

Staff Council Calendar
We would like to host Photo Contest in which staff members would submit high res photos for the 2014 SC Calendar. All staff who submit a photo will be entered to win a special door prize. During the Staff Appreciation Day Resource & Health Fair staff will have the opportunity to vote on their favorite photo. The top three photos will be submitted to Staff Council for their consideration on the 2014 calendar.

Volunteers Needed
We will be looking for volunteers from staff council to work the day of the event and in final planning preparations. We are currently creating a volunteer list, and should have that out soon. Look for opportunities to sign up shortly.
***We will send out a Google form asking for volunteers, please feel free to forward this to anyone you know that may be interested in volunteering!

Questions and Contact:
All questions should be email to: UAF-Staff-Appreciation@alaska.edu
EMR Committee Report – April 2013
Richard Machida – Chair

EMR met on April 1, 2013 from 3:00pm to 4:00pm AKDT.

Present: Richard Machida, Toni Abbey, Kirsten Bey

Kristen Bey took the Action Item Register that Toni Abbey sent out after the last meeting and developed a straw man version of the Staff Council By-laws. As a group, we stepped through each change to determine if the change met the intent of the motions passed at the February Staff Council Meeting. The resulting changes will be made in a new document that we will review at the next EMR meeting before bringing it for a first reading at the May meeting.

The motions passed required additions to the by-laws and not simply changes or deletions.
The CAC met on Tuesday, April 2, 2013 to discuss three naming proposals.

The CAC will be submitting recommendations to the Chancellor on those requests once the CAC checks on some naming details with the proposer.

The CAC also had a discussion that clarified when a request is a "naming request" vs. simply an acknowledgement of a gift received. The committee felt we should be addressing actual requests to name or rename a physical, structure or space.
During April 2013 the IAC was given a list of UAF Scholar-Athlete nominees athletic highlights and awards, academic GPA details; their majors; and coaches comments. Through email voting the IAC chose three male and three female candidates.

Attendees for the Interview Process:
Andrea Schmidt  Tom Robinson  Carter Crawford
Deborah Coxon  Dillion Ball  Tim Bauer
Chris Eversman  Jesse Atencio
Dani Sheppard, Chair was out of town and unable to attend.

On Friday, April 5 the IAC met and interviewed all six candidates. All candidates were very well qualified and were exceptional in their commitment to UAF, their sport, and academic career.

At the conclusion of the interviews, the IAC discussed all candidates and voted on a recommendation to give to Gary Gray, UAF Athletic Director.

The IAC met on Monday, April 8 for their regularly scheduled meeting.

The IAC members discussed the Scholar-Athletic candidates and gave their recommendation to Gary Gray, UAF Athletic Director. We also discussed the plan to review (and modify if necessary) the selection process for the scholar-athlete awards.

Gary provided Athletic Department updates, and the budgeting process. Gary will be attending several WCHA meetings and the Great Northwest Athletic Council (GNAC).

Gary is working with Scott Bell, Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities Services on a preliminary plan to remodel and upgrade the UAF Athletic Facilities. The preliminary plan will go to a Facilities committee and then be given to the IAC to review. Once reviewed it will go out for community and public input. Discussion of future funding options for the plan.

Gary discussed the information gathered for a draft drug policy for UAF Athletics. Gary offered information regarding legal drugs that were still banned for use by the NCAA.

Gary and the IAC discussed Athletic Academic Aid Policy and possible changes to that policy.

The next scheduled meeting is May 13.
In March, the RISE Board considered 12 proposals for spring term project funding including community garden expansion, a new community garden for the Sustainable Village, a proposal for a bike shelter at MBS, a portable renewable power generation project, research into a diesel-electric hybrid shuttle bus, expansion of recycling in the residence halls, food waste bins, solar photovoltaic cells, and more. The committee had $150,000 to fund proposals, $109,000 was requested, and funded $105,000.

**Earth Day** is April 22. Through the Office of Sustainability, RISE is sponsoring a number of events for the day and throughout the week. Be sure to participate in the reusable bag exchange where you have a chance to exchange reusable bags that you might not use for ones that you think you will use. You can also just donate your bags to the effort, too. Other events include learning how to turn an old shirt into a bag, video and microphone/stage events in the Wood Center, the annual Sustainable Art Show in the Wood Center, a Slow Motion Race put on by Green Bikes, booths, trivia, and more. Beware of the Bag Monster! But really, it's a gentle and kind Bag Monster, who will be wearing over 500 plastic grocery bags while collecting signatures to ban plastic grocery bags from campus.

Three subcommittees have been formed around areas of specific need for the RISE Board. Subcommittee membership is limited to RISE Board members. Subcommittees are established with a purpose, but no distinction is made on whether the subcommittee is standing or ad hoc.

1) RISE Subcommittee on Recycling – Seeks to a) help the Board formulate its strategy on campus recycling efforts, b) facilitate campus recycling effort coordination with the Fairbanks North Star Borough, and c) identify recycling infrastructure needs and solutions.

2) RISE Subcommittee on Sustainability in the Curriculum – Seeks to a) coordinate RISE Board interests in sustainability with ongoing work in Faculty Senate and its General Education Requirements Committee, b) develop opportunities in sustainability curriculum development such as enhancements to existing courses and academic programs, or the development of new courses and academic programs, c) coordinate curricular efforts towards maximizing the institution's sustainability score per the STARS rubric, and d) develop academic opportunities for student projects in sustainability.

3) RISE Subcommittee on RISE Vision – A very new subcommittee dedicated to developing a coherent strategy for the Board as it moves forward. One specific issue to be addressed by this subcommittee will be to come up with ideas for how to make the campus sustainability effort sustainable. The Student Sustainability Fee is due to expire in approximately seven years. RISE would like to make sustainability a permanent feature of campus life in some capacity. This subcommittee will address the long-term outlook for RISE and tackle other issues such as identifying ways to increase the number of submitted student proposals, identification of annual themes or areas of focus for the Board, and giving the Board a strategic, objective outlook.

Miscellany: RISE met with Mark Ha of ABM waste management to discuss current policy on custodial collection of recyclables on campus. Mr Ha was very helpful and offered a number of suggestions while taking Board member input. ... RISE Board members designed a simple logo for the day-glo jackets for use by the UAF Recycling Crew which should be visible on campus over the coming year. ... The Board is developing a simple survey to investigate how the
presence of recycling bins in Moore and Bartlett residence halls has impacted student perspectives on the value of recycling. ... Brett Parks stepped down from chair of RISE in order to finish his thesis. Wyatt Hurlbut will chair the Board for the remainder of the term while Ben Abbott will serve as vice-chair.
People's Endowment
April 2013 Committee Report

The People’s Endowment was established at the UA Foundation in 1986 with the intent to provide a source of funds for projects that will improve UAF but would likely remain unfunded due to institutional priorities. Grants are intended to be used for a special project or to fill a critical need at UAF. Proposals are accepted from UAF faculty, staff, and students.

The People’s Endowment Board met Wednesday April 10 to review proposals submitted for Spring 2013 awards. We reviewed 17 proposals and selected 9 for full or partial funding. Specific award information will be announced shortly.

The Board also discussed expanding membership to include more past awardees and donors, as well as the need for development and advertising strategies for the People’s Endowment, so that funds continue to be available for granting. Staff and faculty are encouraged to consider the People’s Endowment not only as a source of funding, but as an option for contributing to UAF.
Staff Council University Advocacy

4/12/13

Members in Attendance: Lesli Walls - Chair, Robin Weinant, Debbie Gonzalez

Agenda Items

- **Carolyn Sampson Scholarship** – Committee felt it was important to try and have a staff council member on the selection committee as this scholarship was established by the staff council. The committee contacted Financial Aid to determine their process. They have already pulled possible qualified candidate pool and forwarded it on to the selection committee for the FY13-14. They forwarded on 39 possible applicants. The selection is based up on several factors giving a higher ranking to single head of households needing financial assistance. We may have missed the opportunity to be on this year’s selection committee, the Financial Aid is checking into that and will be getting back to us. The staff council member would have to be selected at this meeting if the opportunity is still available. That person cannot be one that has contributed to the fund as it would be a conflict of interest. If more than 1 person would like to participate we recommend a drawing of that name.

- **Staff Council Travel Support Fund** – The committee has checked with the foundation to see if the funds could be modified to be used for other uses other than just airfare. Unfortunately the Administrative Agreement that was established has made it inflexible for such requests to use it for any other purpose. With the funds current balance it would only offer a small portion of a single traveler’s airfare. The committee did discuss possible fund raising activities but before moving forward with that idea we need to discuss with the staff council if this is something that we would like to undertake or would we like to possibly consider a new fund that would be able to be used for other staff training and advancement opportunities such as professional development classes that are not tuition based or conference registration fees.

- **Staff Mentoring** – The committee still believes this to be a good idea but need to find method to see if we could get buy in from the staff to commit time to help mentor those that wish to seek improvement or skill for advancement into positions within the University.

- **Campus Tours** – It was decided to table this topic until after Summer when everyone’s schedule resumes a normal pace and find locations and offer them in late fall and early spring. If you know of any locations that would be of interest to the staff to see what the University has to offer please forward on those ideas to Lesli Walls.

*This committee would truly benefit from additional members – Please consider volunteering time and Ideas that we could take on to advocate on behalf of the staff to get the message out there how important we are to the daily operations of the University.*
Arctic Innovation Competition

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Features of the AIC

AIC: is an annual innovative idea contest based in Alaska started in 2009.

- Open to the public: adults + kids.
- Focus on ideas: products are not necessary.
- No topic and region restrictions.
- No any charge to entering the competition.
- Over 800 ideas have been submitted.
- About 30 organizations sponsor the AIC.
The AIC Cash Prizes

For Adults

- 1st place $10,000.
- 2nd place $5,000.
- 3rd place $2,000.
- 4th place $1,000.
- 16 honorable mentions $100 each.

For Kids

- 1st place $500.
- 2nd place $300.
- 3rd place $200.

Over $20,000 each year!
Everyone Has the Currency

Innovation

Modify an existing solution

Get Something from Nothing or Next to Nothing

Create a new solution

Problems
Arthur Fry with a Post-It note on his forehead.

Create a new product

Fry attended a seminar given by another 3M scientist, Spencer Silver on a weak glue in 1974.

Fry used slips of paper to mark the pages of his hymnbooks. When the book was opened, the bookmarks often moved around or fell out.
Developed Summly which automatically boils down articles to about 400 characters.


Create a new solution

Nick was revising for a history exam at age 15.

He was frustrated with trawling through Google searches and separate websites.

http://vimeo.com/52014691
Invented in 1920

AmoeBAND
University students in Taiwan came up with a design that features cutaways so the band-aid can be adjusted to fit the location of the wound. Placing the tear lines and finding a suitable material were among the challenges they encountered. They named their creation after the shape-shifting amoeba.

Modify an exiting product

The X configuration (above) is ideal for fingertips, while an H-shape (right) fits joints

The AmoeBAND has tear-out sections so it can be adjusted for a better fit

A pH-sensitive cross at the center alerts the wearer if the wound is infected

The Creators
Tsai Cheng-Yu and Hsu Hao-Ming are students at Shih Chien University’s Department of Industrial Design in Taiwan. Their AmoeBAND prototype won a Red Dot design award in 2012.
Remington No.1 launched in 1874

Underwood No.1 launched in 1895

Modify an exiting product

From blind type to visible type
Mani-Pedi, a modified application

Josh Espley created Blakk Cosmetics offering Alpha Nail paint at $12.
The AIC Idea Selection Criteria

Novelty
What is new?

Value
How profitable it may be?

Feasibility
Can it be implemented?

Utility
What is its usage?
Submit Your Ideas at www.arcticinno.com

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