

ATTACHMENT #1
UAF STAFF COUNCIL #202
November 18, 2009
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Staff Council President's Report

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Issues to Highlight

Compensation –

Board of Regents met in Fairbanks on October 30th to consider the FY11 Budget. Staff Affairs drafted a letter that was provided to the Regents as written testimony voicing our concern that the 3% amount for compensation increases for non represented staff was insufficient. (<http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/staff/meetings/fy10meetings/SC-201/BORCompensationLetter10-09.pdf>) I testified orally also about this also. The Board of Regents tabled the motion on the budget. The Board feels after the meeting with the Senate Finance Committee this summer that there is value in having the BOR budget aligned with the governor's budget. Meetings with the governor's office are being held and the BOR has public noticed a meeting for November 20th. There is a chance that meeting may not happen if the final work on the budget is not complete. The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 30 & December 1 in Anchorage. If they have not passed the budget by then they will need to do so. I have received no indication from the Board of Regents or Administration that they are seriously considering changing the 3% number in the budget.

Committee Meetings

Faculty Senate –Meeting November 9, 2009

I gave a brief report at Faculty Senate regarding Staff Council. Key issues on Faculty Senate's radar include the Bookstore and Follet's Scheduled Forums, Accreditation Core Themes. They also received a presentation by the Center for Distance Education on Distance Learning.

<http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/facultySenate.html>

Governance Coordinating Committee – Meeting 10/26/09 meets twice a semester

Committee is reviewing purpose and bylaws. Will be meeting somewhat more frequently to sort out purpose & bylaws.

<http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/coordcommittee.html>

Staff Alliance – Meeting 11/10/09

Discussion of Board of Regents meeting and FY11 budget process. Alignment with governor's budget. Compensation discussion: consensus that at this point efforts to change the 3% number would not be effective. Extensive discussion regarding Health Care. Fall River Holistic Cost Containment Report. This extensive report is posted as an attachment to the agenda below under Joint Health Care Committee Documents.

<http://gov.alaska.edu/Staff/Agendas/>

Evaluation Committee

This committee is meeting regularly working on developing a consistent performance evaluation tool to be used throughout UA. Currently working on performance factor definitions

Chancellor Pre-Staff November 11, 2009

Discussed

- Policy Review

- Google Calendar & Email Transition

- Chancellors Forum

- Staff Appreciation Day

- Chancellor's Staff and Supervisory Recognition Awards

System Governance Council

Discussion regarding the process for the selection of a new president and the role of Faculty, Staff and Students in the process. SGC will be writing a letter to BOR expressing desire to have input to the process particularly as finalists are vetted at the various campuses.

Juella Sparks thanked for excellent job done as chair this past year. Joe Hayes, Alumni Asso. Elected new chair.

Other References

MacTaggart Report

<http://www.uaf.edu/chancellor/communications/AlaskaReport0809.pdf>

Information Technology Executive Council (ITEC)

<http://www.alaska.edu/itec/>