

University of Alaska Fairbanks Rural Affairs Committee

Committee Members

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Meeting Schedule

Second Wednesday of each month 2:00PM – 3:00PM

Scope of Work

1. Oversee the general welfare of the UAF community not residing on the Fairbanks campus.
2. Monitor all activities affecting compliance with the College of Rural and Community Development mission statement of the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

Agenda

April 15, 2015

- Research and documentation of rural campuses and facilities. Contact names and numbers.
- Definition of Purpose – Open the lines of communication to assess and address our constituents needs.

March 11, 2015

- Introduction of new committee members. All in attendance spoke about their job duties, campus, and reasons for serving on the committee.
- Definition of Purpose - Connect Rural Staff to Governance.
- Identify/Define campuses and facilities under Rural Affairs Committee representation.
- Discussion on ways to improve communication across all campuses and facilities.
- Budget Cuts – general discussion on the current fiscal situation and how it effects our constituency.
- COLA – Discussion of changes and concerns to cost of living allocations in rural areas.
- Video Conferencing – Discussion on current technologies and needs. How important is this to each site and what currently exists (delivering courses/service to students).
- No Smoking/Tobacco Use Policy – Current status at each campus/facility and plans of implementation if not already observing the policy.

February 10, 2015

- Discussion and overview of the Rural Affairs Committee.
- Selection of committee members and chair.

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