

**UAF Alumni Association Board of Directors
Winter Meeting APPROVED MINUTES
Saturday, January 28, 2023
9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

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9:30 a.m. I. **Call to Order and Roll Call**

Marybeth Loewen (President, Seat 2-Southcentral) Present
Tom Brice (Vice-President, Seat 7-Southeast) Present
Rhonda Widener (Secretary, Seat 9-FNSB) Present
Thomas Farrugia (Treasurer, Seat 11-Municipality of Anchorage) Present
Dee Dee Ivanoff (Seat 1-Rural) Absent
Forrest Kuiper (Seat 3-FNSB) Present
Meredith Cameron (Seat 4-Southcentral)
Meadow Bailey (Seat 5-FNSB)
Darryl Lewis Sr. (Seat 6-At-Large) Present
George Cromer (Seat 8-At Large)
Lorna Shaw (Seat 10-Outside) Present

Theresa Bakker, Executive Director, ex-officio Present
Ashlyn Espinosa, ASUAF, ex-officio Not Available
Scott Roselius, Hockey Chapter, ex-officio Not Available
Forrest Kuiper, Firefighters Present

II. **Adoption of Agenda**

MOTION: “That the Board adopts the agenda as presented.” Tom Brice moves that the board adopts the agenda as presented. Seconded by Thomas Farrugia. Approved unanimously.

III. **Approval of the September 2022 Meeting Minutes**

MOTION: “The Board approves minutes for the September 2022 regular meeting.” Tom Brice moves that the board adopts the agenda as presented. Seconded by Lorna Shaw. Approved unanimously.

IV. **Land Acknowledgement**

OLD BUSINESS

10:00 a.m. V. **Standing Reports/Committees**

- A. Executive Committee/ President's report-Mary Beth Loewen
Discussion of UAF Giving Day participation, plans of growing engagement in Kodiak and rural Alaska.
- B. Executive Director Report – Theresa Bakker
Additional staff position was renamed to attract a wider audience. UAFAA sponsorship of UAF Giving Day challenge. Benefactor Fund drive on track. Membership is down but membership drive is scheduled.
- C. ASUAF President – Ashlyn Espinosa (NA)
- D. Chapter Reports
Fairbanks – Brenda Riley (NA)
Firefighter – Forrest Kuiper Discuss involvement during reunion.
Hockey - Scott Roselius (NA)
- E. Scholarship – Lorna Shaw Scholarship information has not been released by UAF.
- F. Legislative – Tom Brice
DISCUSSION: UA Impact debrief, discussion of newly seated legislators and expected budget concerns, participation was good.
[Lunch and Learn recording](#)
- G. Awards -- Darryl Lewis
[Gray, Wool honored with UAF alumni awards](#)
- H. Governance -- Meredith Cameron
DISCUSSION: Potential new board members for 2023 election. Need more participation from the Fairbanks area and rural Alaska. Discussion of BOD advocacy and support for interested alumni.
- I. Finance -- Thomas Farrugia
DISCUSSION: Investment account UAFAA update policy and procedures for target investment strategy, approved by finance committee.

12:00 p.m. VI. **Lunch/break - On our own**

Reconvened 12:30 p.m.

12:30 p.m. VII. **Bylaw Update** [New version here](#)

DISCUSSION: Transition chapters to network, restrict networks from committing UAFAA to financial obligations, update recognition and support.

MOTION: “The Board approves updates to ARTICLE XII.” Tom Brice moves that the board adopts the agenda as presented. Seconded by Thomas Farrugia. Approved unanimously.

12:45 p.m. VIII. **Policies and Procedures update** [New version here](#)

MOTION: “The Board approves updates to UAFAA policies and procedures.” Tom Brice moves that the board adopts the agenda as presented. Seconded by Lorna Shaw. Approved unanimously.

1:00 p.m. IX. **Audit** – RJG

2:00 p.m. X. [Updates to Benefactor Fund parameters](#) – Executive Committee
➤ Fundraising plan including stewardship
➤ Guidelines for student and campus orgs

2:30 p.m. XI. **Strategic Planning Checkin** – Mary Beth Loewen
[Review the current UAFAA Strategic Plan](#)

DISCUSSION: Legislative advocacy portal, remove from high priority, changes in ASUAF leadership have limited their participation, staff member addition is in process.

3:00 p.m. XII. **Good of the Order**

3:30 p.m. XIII. **Adjourn**

MOTION: “The UAFAA Board Adjourns. Tom Brice moves that the board adopts the agenda as presented. Seconded by Thomas Farrugia. Approved unanimously.”