

## **Board of Regents' Meeting**

June 13-14, 1991

PASSED

"The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation honoring Ruth E. Burnett for her invaluable service and dedication as a member of the University of Alaska Board of Regents. This motion is effective June 13, 1991."

### **2b. Childcare Needs Assessment**

Bob Warren, vice president for Human Resources, and Ann Secrest, president of the Statewide Administration Assembly, presented a status report on the childcare needs assessment recommended by the General Assembly and approved by regents at the February 1991 Board meeting. Vice President Warren reported that campuses attempted to do the assessment, but it soon became apparent that the project was more of an undertaking than originally envisioned and they also found that it was difficult to generate a response so late in the school year from students. After a meeting with the General Assembly leadership and with Ann Secrest, chair of the committee on childcare, it was decided to delay and re-evaluate the needs information so a more comprehensive response could be obtained from students and a formal report made to the Board after fall 1991 registration.

### **2c. Consent Agenda**

#### **Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

##### **(1) Deletion of Doctoral Programs in Biology, Wildlife Management, and Zoology at University of Alaska Fairbanks**

In August of 1988, the Board of Regents approved the addition at the University of Alaska Fairbanks of a doctoral program in biological sciences with major emphasis areas in botany, biology, wildlife biology, and zoology. This degree was presented at that time as a formalization of the process by which the Ph.D. was awarded in these areas of specialization through the interdisciplinary degree program. With the initiation of this program, UAF also intended to delete the doctoral programs in biology, wildlife management, and zoology since they could be offered under the umbrella of the biological sciences program emphases. Because approval of these deletions was inadvertently not

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sought in 1988, UAF seeks approval at this time. Although these deletions will be effective immediately upon regents' approval and no more students will be admitted to study for these degrees, an opportunity will be given to any students presently enrolled in these programs to graduate with these degrees. They must, however, complete their studies by spring of 1998, the date at which the current catalog is no longer effective, and these degrees will no longer be awarded.

The Academic and Student Affairs Committee recommends that:

"The Board of Regents approves the request of the University of Alaska Fairbanks to delete its doctoral programs in biology, wildlife management, and zoology. This motion is effective June 14, 1991."

**Regent Stitham moved, seconded by Regent Breeze and passed with Regents Henri and Lamkin abstaining that:**

**PASSED**

"The Board of Regents approves the recommendations of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee as stated above. This motion is effective June 13, 1991."

### **Academic and Student Affairs Committee Report - Information and Other Items**

#### **(1) Report on the College of Rural Alaska**

President Jerome Komisar and Vice President George Christensen reported on the College of Rural Alaska. President Komisar explained that to get from its current configuration to the future, two committees will be appointed: one to look at the extended campuses and how they will cooperate and work with each other, chaired by Ralph Gabrielli and composed of the directors of the extended campuses as well as