

The UAF Faculty Senate approved the following at its Meeting #16 on February 12, 1990:

MOTION PASSED AS AMENDED (with 7 nays)

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The UAF Faculty Senate instructs the Curricular Affairs Committee to make a careful study of the UAF academic calendar with a view toward extending the length of the semester to 840 minutes of instruction per credit hour, exclusive of the final exam period. The committee should attempt to complete its deliberations in time to submit a motion to the full Senate for action in its April 1990 meeting. In any case, the motion must be acted upon by October 1990 in order to be implemented in the 1991-92 academic year.

Effective: Immediately

Rationale: While there is considerable faculty discontent with the current UAF academic calendar, the 1990-91 calendar has already been published and advertised. If changes are to be made in the academic calendar, it is only reasonable to contemplate such changes with deliberation.

David R. Smith

2-27-90

President, UAF Faculty Senate

Date

The UAF Faculty Senate approved the following at its Meeting #16 on February 12, 1990:

RESOLUTION PASSED AS AMENDED (unanimous approval)

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The UAF Faculty Senate moves to adopt the following resolution relating to the policy on sabbatical leaves for faculty and to the manner by which they are funded.

WHEREAS, Faculty are to be responsible for the understanding of the most current information germane to their specific areas of research and teaching; and

WHEREAS, The concept of faculty sabbatical leave is recognized by this university and others worldwide as a means by which faculty can remain current in their specific areas of responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Faculty of the University of Alaska, because of our geographic remoteness, are at a relative disadvantage to interact with colleagues at other universities and research centers; and

WHEREAS, Sabbatical leave is no longer funded directly by University-wide funds, but rather is now the financial responsibility of the faculty members' administrative unit; and

WHEREAS, Statewide policy on time in residence for faculty applying for a second or subsequent sabbatical has recently been changed from five to six years; and

WHEREAS, The president of the University supports the concept of sabbatical leaves and recognizes that policies on funding and residence time should not have been changed; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the UAF Faculty Senate recommends that University of Alaska reestablish University-wide funds for sabbaticals and that the residence requirement for second, and subsequent, sabbaticals revert back to the previous period of five years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Faculty Senate requests the Chancellor to make the reinstatement of sabbatical leave funds a top priority in the next incremental budget request.

David M. Smith 2-27-90
President, UAF Faculty Senate Date

Information Only

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MOTION PASSED (unanimous approval)

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The UAF Faculty Senate moves to endorse the proposed amendments to the Regents' Policy, Part V, Finance and Business Management, Chapter X, Student Fees and Tuition as presented with Vice President Rogers' memo of January 23, 1990.

David R. Smith 2-27-90
President, UAF Faculty Senate Date

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The UAF Faculty Senate moves to direct the Administrative Committee to solicit nominations for the next Faculty Senate President Elect and to submit a slate of nominations for consideration by the Senate at its Meeting #17 on March 9, 1990.

Effective: Immediately

Rationale: This motion provides a procedure by which the Senate will be assured of having a strong field of candidates from which to select its next President-Elect.

David A. Smith 2-27-90
President, UAF Faculty Senate Date

Information Only

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The UAF Faculty Senate moves to support in principle the following recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on Governance Structure included in the committee's February 1990 report:

1. The Faculty Senate amend its constitution
 - a. to include a forceful, coherent statement of purpose
 - b. to focus on legitimate faculty concerns (teaching, research, creative activity, service)
 - c. to have the major voice in shaping academic policy
 - d. to address budgetary issues while items are being discussed and ranked, so that the opinions of faculty will be considered along with those of the Executive Council.
2. The Faculty Senate withdraw from and recommend the dissolution of the UAF Assembly.
3. The Faculty Senate withdraw from and recommend the dissolution of the Statewide General Assembly.
4. The Faculty Senate seek direct access to the President and the Board of Regents via a Presidents' Council made up of the presidents and presidents-elect of the faculty groups at UAF, UAA, and UAS.

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President, UAF Faculty Senate Date

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The UAF Faculty Senate moves to refer back to the Graduate Council the motion amending the policy on composition for graduate advisory committees and asks for assurances that the interdisciplinary degree program is not adversely affected by such a motion. Further, the Senate empowers the Graduate Council to act on this motion on behalf of the Senate after making these assurances.

[Motion distributed at Senate meeting:

The UAF Faculty Senate moves to amend the policy on committee composition for graduate advisory committees to require that faculty serving on these committees be primarily employed with the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

Effective: Fall 1990

Rationale: The graduate catalog presently states that the primary employment of faculty members on the graduate advisory committees will be with the University of Alaska. The current composition of graduate advisory committees generally is in accord with the proposed amendment. In addition, the University of Alaska Fairbanks, not the University of Alaska, is the degree granting institution.]

David R. Smith 2-27-90
President, UAF Faculty Senate Date