

David Guttenberg, candidate for Senate District 302 which is the west side of Fairbanks. He has lived in the area for 27 years. Guttenberg recognizes that the University is the heart of this senate district. He has been involved with the university for most of that time either through taking classes and through the rest of his family. Guttenberg has been going to Juneau for about 10 years as student of the legislative process in a variety of capacities. He is known throughout the state as a strong advocate for the state outside of Anchorage. Friends say that 50 percent of the people live in Anchorage and he responds that that means 50 percent live outside of Anchorage. What happens after November 5 is important in the organization and makeup of the legislature. We can't afford a Senate dominated by Anchorage. Fairbanks has not been able to defend itself or prevail in a variety of issues. Currently a new dorm is being built at UAA, when ours are falling apart. This campus is one of the largest parts of this community and it needs to be defended, maintained, and built. Besides the physical side of the campus what makes the campus is its faculty, staff and students.

Gary Wilken, candidate for Senate District 302. He has been a resident of Fairbanks for 40 years and has four children that have gone through the Fairbanks School District. Two are seniors at UAF, one is a Freshman at the University of Colorado and one is at West Valley High School. His wife works at the university. He has had a long association with this school. In interior Alaska there are five industries that keep us here: oil field development, military, mining, tourism, and UAF. Wilken will be very concerned with those five and a couple that are emerging. He will be concerned particularly about UAF. There is not one person in the legislature, except the governor, that has the ability to do the best for UAF. Wilken accepts that as a responsibility and a challenge. What needs to be done in the legislature for UAF falls into three categories. The first is repair, the second is enhance our university, and the third is to protect. Someone in the legislature has to remember that UAF is the flagship of the university system. Someone has to remind them that we are UAF and also UA statewide. He is committed to this place because it is not only an economic engine, but it also provides Fairbanks people a tremendous asset. It is part of our economic and social fabric.

VI Comments from Provost, Jack Keating -

The Board of Regents meeting was held in Fairbanks two weeks ago and the main issue was talks about the budget especially the capital budget. There was some confusion on the way the budget would be presented to the legislature in a six year plan as opposed to the 56 item wish list of \$156 million. It is clear that the governor has reiterated that he will just give \$7 million to systemwide this coming year. The budget request that the Board of Regents did approve was for about \$56 million; \$25 of which the first priority is deferred maintenance and of which UAF would receive the lions share.

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all the faculty to cooperate with the dÿs and directors as we are

classroom instruciyon but ÿpecially of our research and sem the state. We have been very ineftl or uneven in presenting the

picture of our service to the state in areas where we really dominate. It has been started in the Provost Council and we have a variety of initiatives coming out of the Outreach Working Group of which Kara Nance is a member. We have come up with some ways departments can focus their efforts on service and be very much in line with their particular mission. We are looking at unit types of performances as opposed to individual performances. We have to be sharper in the way we articulate it and focus it in way people can understand it. This will be an ongoing effort this semester so that we will have our message clear by the time the legislature meets in session at the beginning of next year. The question the provost asked the deans and directors was how do we come up with some benchmarks and begin to measure progress on things like retention or productivity vis-à-vis grants submitted not necessarily funded. This is a serious effort of UAF pulling together to show that we are the flagship of the university in the state and that we just don't measure quality by only student credit hours.

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Distance delivery is a key in the new \$100,000 MAPCO grant. It includes some of the same things we have done in the past.

baseline is established the University then on an annual basis will be able to statistically demonstrate increases or decreases in productivity. We are also supposed to acquire some "smart" classrooms.

The Retirement Incentive Lists are out. Be sure to check with your dean if you think you should be on the list but are not.

D. President-Elect's Comments - J. Craven

John submitted the following comments as a handout and highlighted some of the points.

1. The president's earlier report on the September 25-27, 1996, Board of Regents meeting is quite extensive. If you have not done so, I urge you to read it.
2. I was on travel and could not attend the Alliance of Faculty Senates meeting on September 20th. Again, the president's report is very detailed, and you should be familiar with the issues being discussed by faculty governance at the three MAUs. Copies can be obtained from the UAF Governance Office.
3. We are rapidly approaching midterm in this semester and the UAF Governance Coordinating Committee still has not met. This committee oversees the work of several noteworthy UAF

of October 4, 1996, are reproduced here. I seek constructive suggestions for improvements.

10.1. Operation of the Administrative Committee

I expect that many of you will agree with me when I state my feeling that the previous meeting of the Administrative Committee went on much longer than needed. This was due in some part to the lengthy discussions not necessarily relevant to the task of moving committee motions forward. My understanding of the committee's tasks include the following:

Receive reports from the president of the Senate and from the Provost with regard to current issues of importance.

Accept the motions of the otY

This motion meets the intent of the Faculty Senate to facilitate the movement of associate of arts students into baccalaureate degree programs.

B. Resolution to confirm the Chemistry and Biochemistry Department Peer Review Committee

An amendment was offered to add Larry Duffy to the Peer Review Committee. There was some discussion as to the eligibility of department chairs to sit on the Peer Review Committee. The amendment failed. The original resolution passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION PASSED
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BE IT RESOLVED, That the UAF Faculty Senate moves to confirm the

by the Faculty Senate. UAF has an open admission and we have an

Maynard Perkins will so notify Gary Copus.

-Information items: 500 level course compression policy; advisors signature requirements.

10/11/96 Curricular Affairs Committee meeting minutes

1. Quorum established: Maynard Perkins, Carol Barnhardt, Joan Braddock, John Creed, Gayle Gregory, Wanda Martin, Jerry McBeath, Terry McFadden, Paul Reichardt, Ann Tremarello, Jane Weber, Don Lynch.
2. The Provost has an Instructional Working group and is requesting a Senate faculty representative. In the past this has been the chair of the Curricular Affairs Committee. The chair's schedule does not allow attendance to all of the meetings. The Curricular Affairs committee requests the Senate to select a faculty representative to attend the meetings. Wednesdays 9:00-11:00, October 2, 23, November 27; Wednesday 2:00-4:00 December 18.
3. The CA committee discussed the Faculty initiated withdrawal/No Basis grade motion that was sent to the Administrative Committee (AC) and returned to the CA for further consideration based upon input from the Developmental Committee. The CA moved to bring the motion directly to the Senate meeting floor at the October 14, meeting.

MOTION
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The UAF Faculty Senate moves to change the Student-Initiated Withdrawal Policy that applies to all Fairbanks campus courses (i.e., all UAF courses except those given by the rural campuses or the Center for Distance Education); and change the no basis (NB) grade to the following:

The last day for student-initiated withdrawal for all Fairbanks campus students shall be the sixth Friday of the semester.

Class roll correction forms completed by faculty during the sixth week of class (rural campuses will follow their own time line) will also serve as faculty initiated withdrawal forms for students not attending or participating in that course. For courses with duration other than the normal fall or spring semester the time period will be prorated according to the length of the course. For non-semester based correspondence students a course length of one year will be used.

The no basis (NB) grade will be eliminated from grades given at UAF.

EFFECTIVE: Fall 1997

RATIONALE: One major factor in the senate vote that created the relatively short time period for student initiated withdrawals was a belief that students were shopping for credits. The elimination of the tuition cap and implementation of new late add fees have changed the situation.

Each semester the faculty is requested by the registrar to correct class rolls but often see no change in the status of nonparticipating students in subsequent class rolls. Although our registrar may check student initiated withdrawal records, or change to audit requests, and may even attempt to contact these students, in many cases no change occurs in the student's status.

With the faculty being able to withdraw students who are not attending class or who have not submitted work

by the end of the sixth week, there is no longer a need for the NB grade.

Together these changes should reduce student resentment for missing a deadline, reduce the number of negative interactions between students, faculty, and administrators, and reduce the abuse of NB grades.

4 The committee discussed the senates position concerning course compression policy. The committee reaffirmed the Senates #59 meeting dated November 13, 1995 motion to apply to all courses including 500 level courses. This discussion was held in response to Provost Keating's request for clarification.

5 Discussed the Chancellor's signing off on the following:

Students that have completed at least 30 credit hours at UAF are no longer required to get an advisor's signature prior to telephone registration. All students are encouraged to discuss course selection with their advisor.

No action taken or recommended.

Adjourned 12:00

B. Faculty Affairs - Dave Spell

Dave Spell indicated that the charge of Faculty Affairs is to address topics of workload, appointment, termination, promotion/tenure, sabbatical leave, and academic freedom. Within that broad purview they will be looking at ethical issues, especially in the context of academic freedom.

C. Graduate Curricular Affairs - Mark Tumeo

A report was attached to the agenda. Comments on the issue of project vs. thesis should be sent to any committee member. They will be developing guidelines on what is a thesis project vs what a project for a master's degree.

D. Scholarly Activities -

The committee has scheduled their first meeting October 16, 1996.

E. CNCSHDR - Rudy Krejci

No report was available.

F. Developmental Studies - Ron Illingworth

A report was attached to the agenda.

G. Faculty Appeals & Oversight - Diane Bischak

No report was available. The Committee will be meeting October 17.

H. Faculty Development, Assessment & Improvement -
Rich Seifert

A report was attached to the agenda.

I. Graduate School Advisory Committee - Peggy Schumaker

No report was available. The Committee's next meeting is scheduled for October 25.

J. Legislative & Fiscal Affairs - Michael Jennings

Mike indicated that he had no report from his committee. The committee has been responsible for inviting candidates to the Senate meetings.

K. Service Committee - Kara Nance

The Outreach Working Group brought up an item on developing service to the Provost Council for discussion. Some departments are voluntarily going to implement it as part of their annual evaluation on a trial basis to see how it works.

L. University-Wide Promotion/Tenure - John Keller

No report was available.

IX Discussion Items - none

X Members' Comments/Questions

A. James Walworth commented that the Fairbanks and Anchorage campuses operated under a different schedule of class time and it is an impediment to distance delivery. It was pointed out that the UAF campuses operate with different class times.

B. Dave Spell indicated that he was a past chair of the Scholarly Activities Committee and has been tasked by the Administrative Committee to work with that committee to regenerate it or see whether it belongs in some other area. Dave is inviting comments from Senate members.

Dave also indicated that he was a member of the Academic Computer Users Committee under the General Assembly and when the Senate was formed he tried to get it moved into the Senate. Staff and students felt that they had input into the computer too, so it was kept in the Governance council.

C. Norm Swazo wanted to comment on the Provost's comments on effectiveness and measurement of productivity. He indicated that circulated in his department was a statement that said all new faculty would be required to have submitted proposals for extramural funding. If that is to occur does it take into account workload distribution--teaching, research, and so on.

Keating indicated that it did come from the Provost's Office at the request of the Chancellor for him to indicate what kind of measures and benchmarks could we have for productivity. For example, a 0.2% increase in retention rate over three years would bring us up over the national average of freshmen and sophomores. There were ten of those. One of them was we have no benchmarks for how first year faculty are submitting grant proposals. The first year he calls for benchmarks, the second year a 33% increase and 33% each year after that. Those are his targets for productivity submitted to the Chancellor. These are still in discussion with the Chancellor as a way of looking for productive measures.

XI Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Tapes of this Faculty Senate meeting are in the Governance Office,
312 Signers' Hall if anyone wishes tyyvMMca