

Board of Regents
Meeting of the Full Board
June 4-5, 2020
Zoom Conference

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

Full Board Actions

1. Approval to Prepare a Conceptual Plan to Review a Structural Option Involving a Merger of the University of Alaska Southeast and the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED AS AMENDED

“Whereas, the University of Alaska’s state funding has been reduced by \$76 million (20 percent) between FY2014 and FY2020, and an additional \$45 million (15 percent) through FY22;

Whereas, the University has reduced programs and services in response to the state funding cuts, including the loss of 1,727 employees since 2014;

Whereas, the university plans to reduce or discontinue academic programs which will be considered by the Board of Regents at its meeting on June 4-5, 2020;

Whereas, given enrollment declines since 2011, COVID pandemic related impacts, and planned state funding reductions, by FY21

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Whereas, the institutions that comprise the University of Alaska are separately accredited by the Northwest Commission of Colleges and Universities, and the Board of Regents is committed to complying with all accreditation requirements.

Now therefore be it resolved that—in order to provide higher education programs and services to the people of Southeast Alaska during a time of unprecedented financial challenges, while ensuring the survival of the University of Alaska and long-term excellence—the Board of Regents, utilizing a transparent and inclusive process, intends to inquire and collect data, examine ideas and opportunities, explore potential efficiencies, study the pros and cons of a structural option involving a merger of the University of Alaska Southeast and the

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$59,000,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA GENERAL REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, 2020 SERIES W (TAXABLE); AUTHORIZING THE OFFERING OF SAID BONDS AT NEGOTIATED SALE; APPROVING THE FORM OF A SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE FOR SAID BONDS, A

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Section 1. The issuance of the Bonds in an amount not to exceed the

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Section 8. The Authorized Officers are, and each of them is, hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to enter a “continuing disclosure undertaking” pursuant to the Rule.

Section 9. The

6. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor

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12. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Master of Arts in English at the University of Alaska Anchorage

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Master of Arts in English at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with discontinuation effecu0.00000912 0 612 792 reW*nBT/F1 1

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6. Master of Science in Environmental Chemistry
7. Master of Science in Resource and Applied Economics
8. Undergraduate Certificate in Mining Applications and Technologies
9. Master of Science in Computational Physics
10. Master of Science in Space Physics
11. Undergraduate Certificate in Power Generation
12. Associate of Applied Science in Renewable Resources
13. Undergraduate Certificate in Veterinary Science

This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

20. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Science in Sociology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Science in Sociology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, with discontinuation effective upon

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33. Approval of the Interdisciplinary Bachelor of Arts at the University of Alaska Southeast

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the

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15. Approval of the Discontinuation of the Bachelor of Arts in Theatre at the University of

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PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the immediate reduction of the Bachelor of Science in Environment and Society at the

12. Approval of a Resolution of Appreciation for Michael Hostina

PASSED

“The Board of Regents approves the resolution of appreciation for Michael Hostina. This motion is effective June 5, 2020.”

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina has served the University of Alaska with tireless dedication, integrity, and excellence for more than 20 years and will retire in June 2020; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina was appointed as university general counsel in October 2011; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hostina served as associate general counsel for the university from 2002-2011; as the university’s director of labor

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