

Approved MINUTES UNAC #4996 RA Meeting

Date: August 28, 2021 **Time:** 10:00am-2:00pm AKT **Location:** [Zoom](#)

Meeting ID: 920 6740 6373 Passcode: 226852 Phone: (346) 248-7799

Discussion Item	Facilitator
CALL TO ORDER	
Land Acknowledgement	President 10:05a
AAA Statement	President 10:05a
Roll Call - Quorum Confirmed Present: Abel Bult-Ito, Charla Brown, Falk Huettmann, Jennifer Ward, Joel Potter, John Lutterman, John Radzilowski, Kevin Maier, Katie Lubowicki, Kris Racina, Kristen Ogilive, Lisa Hoferkamp, Mara Bacsujlaky, Nelta Edwards, Nalinaksha Bhattacharyya, Pete Praetorious, Rick McDonald, Tara Palmer, Tony Rickard Staff: Kate Quick Absent: Tim Hinterberger, Melanie Arthur	Secretary 10:10a
Approval of Agenda - Motion to approve - APPROVED	President 10:15a

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OPERATIONAL BUSINESS	
<p>Welcome to New RA Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Orientation Slides - Held 8/24 ● AFT Members Only Access (use "04996" as Local #) ● Commitments to Excellence - for review on 10/30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Faculty - Approved 4/17 b. Representative Assembly - For Discussion 10/30 	Secretary
<p>UNAC Elections Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Motion to approve - Nelta/John - APPROVED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sharon Chamard - Chair ○ Open - UAA (RA approved appointment by Abel) ○ Margaret "Peggy" Keiper - UAF ○ Paulette Schirmer - UAS ○ Susie Feero - Extended Sites ● Special Election for UAS Organizational VP - ASAP 	President
<p>APEA/AFT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Motion to approve slate - Sharon/Kevin - APPROVED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Andrea Dewees - SEAT 1 b. Abel Bult-Ito - ALTERNATE 1 c. Tim Hinterberger - SEAT 2 d. Pete Praetorius - ALTERNATE 2 	Secretary
<p>RA Committees and Chairs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● AY2022-2024 - Convening meetings to take place within the next month; committees asked to meet monthly. 	President
<p>UNAC Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● In Progress - Current Manual 	Secretary 11:10a
<p>UA Safety and Health Concerns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Update on UNAC COVID actions ● Motion for vaccine mandate - Sharon/Joel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ORIGINAL motion: UNAC supports a Covid-19 	All 11:15a

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vaccination mandate for UA employees and students who are present on campus, with exemptions for valid medical and/or religious reasons.

- APPROVED Amendment: United Academics calls on the UA administration to require all students and employees to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19, or have a valid exemption before being physically present inside university buildings.
- APPROVED Main Motion (18 Yeah, 1 Nay, 1 Abstain): United Academics calls on the UA administration to require all students and employees to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19, or have a valid exemption, before being physically present inside university buildings.
- Motion to follow CDC Guidelines - Nelta/Sharon
 - APPROVED (20 Yah, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain): United Academics calls on the UA administration to adhere to all CDC guidance pertaining to COVID-19 for Institutions of Higher Education.

REFERENCED RESOURCES:

- [University of Indiana Vaccine Mandate](#)
- [UAF Faculty Senate Motion](#)
- [AAUP EXAMPLE](#): *“The AAUP calls on campus administration to do everything possible to ensure the highest levels of health and safety, and to follow the guidance of public health experts to use every available tool to protect students, faculty, staff, and neighboring communities from further spread of COVID this fall.”*

UA COVID MONIES

- President created new adhoc committee to review UA COVID expenses and appointed Kris Racina, Mara

President
12:15p

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Bajsujlaky, and Nelta Edwards to coordinate/report.	
REPORTS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● UNAC Officers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ President ○ Treasurer - Motion to accept Treasurer's report: Tony/Pete - APPROVED ○ Secretary ● UNAC Organizational Vice Presidents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ UAA ○ UAF ○ UAS ○ Extended Sites ● UNAC Staff ● UNAC Committees - No Reports 	As Assigned 12:45p
CLOSING ITEMS	
Good of the Order	President 1:45p
Adjournment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Next RA Meeting - Saturday, 10/30 ● Motion to Adjourn - Tony/Charla - APPROVED 	President 1:48p

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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We live and work on the land of Alaska Native Peoples.

As part of our commitment to enkindle racial justice and social equity within the University of Alaska system, we will speak up when we experience examples of racial narratives, racism, or whiteness in our meetings and as we conduct our business. This means we can and will interrupt the meeting to draw the issue to one another's attention. We will do this kindly, with care, and in good faith. This statement is a reminder that we commit to doing this in the service of ending the system of racial oppression that is perpetuated through institutionalized policies and individual unconscious bias.

United Academics Executive Board		
PRESIDENT	Abel Bult-Ito, Ph.D.	2020-2023
TREASURER	Nelta Edwards, Ph.D.	2020-2023
SECRETARY	Charla Brown, Ph.D.	2021-2023
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ORGANIZATIONAL VP - UAF	Mara Bacsujlaky	2022-2024
ORGANIZATIONAL VP - UAS	Lisa Hoferkamp, Ph.D.	2022-2024
ORGANIZATIONAL VP - Extended Sites	Rick McDonald	2022-2024
<p>CONTRACT MANAGER Melanie Arthur, Ph.D.</p> <p>ASSISTANT CONTRACT MANAGER Kate Quick, M.F.A.</p>		