



## United Academics and the University of Alaska continued federal mediation today

Dear Colleagues,

Today, your negotiation team showed up ready to reach an agreement based on the needs of our more than 1,000 bargaining unit members. We will continue to negotiate on your behalf in good faith with university management while continuing mediation. Our UNAC negotiation team stands ready to partner with the university management team in reaching a rapid conclusion to our negotiations.

“This isn’t a game—it’s the living and learning conditions of faculty and students and we look forward to further mediation and to reaching a positive agreement,” says Tony Rickard, chief negotiator, educator and researcher at the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

“Our university faculty make our university what it is. Without them, we have nothing,” says Joelle Hall, president of the Alaska AFL-CIO.

Please see the letter of support from the AFL-CIO [here](#); we are not in this alone!

In solidarity,

Your UNAC negotiating team

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