

MEMORANDUM

Date: November 4, 2016
To: UA Board of Regents Chair Jo Heckman, UA President Jim Johnsen
From: Lisa Hoferkamp, University of Alaska Southeast, Faculty Senate President
RE: **Strategic Pathways: Restructuring of UA Schools of Education to a single College of Education at the University of Alaska Fairbanks**

In September, the University of Alaska Southeast (UAS) Faculty Senate sent a memorandum to each of you through Chancellor Caulfield supporting our Schools of Management and Education. Within that communication, we expressed that the faculty of UAS, as represented by the UAS Faculty Senate, was strongly opposed to any options that eliminate these schools from our university. Therefore, we were dismayed to learn of President Johnsen's intent to recommend to the Board of Regents (BOR) that UA establish a single College of Education at UAF.

Programs offered by the School of Education at UAS are successful, both in attracting students and in producing qualified graduates. It is clear from the strength of programs in the School of Education, that they meet significant needs that are specific to this region of Alaska.

The purpose of this memo is to communicate the most recent UAS Faculty Senate action regarding this issue. At our November 4, 2016 meeting, the UAS Faculty Senate unanimously passed the following motion:

The UAS Faculty Senate does not support President Johnsen's recommendation to the Board of Regents for the consolidation of the colleges and school of education to one college administered by UAF. The UAS Faculty Senate urges the Board of Regents to reject this recommendation.