

# Committee Updates (Nov 2, 2022)

## **Campus-Wide Updates:**

- [UA HR Organizational Alignment Changes](#)
- Public Testimony - October 31 from 4-5pm.
  - Public testimony provides the university community and all Alaskans the opportunity to talk directly with regents. Each caller will have two minutes to offer thoughts, feedback or updates on topics or issues related to the University of Alaska system. Public testimony is held in advance of the board's November 3-4 committee meetings and full board meeting on November 10-11.
  - To testify, please call 1-866-831-8713 between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. [Click here for guidelines and tips on providing public testimony](#). Written testimony is also accepted via emailing [ua-bor@alaska.edu](mailto:ua-bor@alaska.edu).
  - To listen to public testimony via livestream: [alaska.edu/bor/live/](https://alaska.edu/bor/live/).
- Board of Regents meeting November 10-11 Tune in via livestream: [alaska.edu/bor/live/](https://alaska.edu/bor/live/).
- Spring registration begins - November 14
- Campus Closure - November 24-26
- Final Exams Week - December 12-17
- Campus Closure - December 23-January 2

## **President's Update (Jon)**

- Brandee Gerke held two Success Principles workshops on 10/20 and 10/21
- November 3-4, 2022 BOR Committee Meetings
- November 10-11, 2022 BOR Full Meeting (First review of FY24 Budget)

## **Vice President's Update (Michelle)**

- No new updates

## **UAS Title IX Committee (Jessi)**

- No new updates

## **Web Strategy Committee (Katie)**

- No new updates

## **Master Planning Committee (Andie)**

- No new updates

## **Chancellor's DEICS Committee (Courtney MacArthur)**

- The committee meets on the 4th Friday of each month. The October 5 update included two months worth of reports. Reach out to your campus representative if you would like to bring anything to their attention. John Ingman (Sitka Campus), Kimberly Matsuura (Ketchikan Campus), Davina Cole (Juneau Campus)

## **Staff Health Care Committee, Staff Alliance (Jessica, Traci)**

- The Joint Health Care Committee (JHCC) voted to unbundle our health care plans. The next step for this is for the JHCC to take this request to the Chief Human Resource Officer. Currently, the bundled plan means when we enroll in our health plan, we have medical, dental, and vision bundled together. Unbundling our plans means that employees could enroll in just the vision plan if they want, allowing each of us more flexibility to choose a bundle that works best for us.

## **Staff Alliance General Meeting (Jon)**

- President responded to the [Staff Alliance FY24 Compensation Memo](#)

## **Upcoming Employee Trainings**

- Up your online security game with these IT training videos! These modules should keep track of your progress, so pick up where you left off.
  - [Phishing](#) | ~ 10 min
  - [Malware](#) | ~ 10 min
  - [Mobile Security & Third-Party Websites](#) | ~10 min
  - [Passwords](#) | ~10 min
  - [Physical Security & Unintended Disclosures](#) | ~10 min
- Just a reminder. We (all of UA) still have [LinkedIn Learning](#) through December. Feel free to sign up!! There are over 150 licenses available.
- Contact the Safety Team (Ryan Sand and David Pikul) for training requests or safety equipment. They are currently conducting fire safety training, self-defense, active threat response, fentanyl (dangerous drug) response, bloodborne pathogens, stop-the-bleed (tourniquet)/first aid, and vehicle driving safety.
- Visit the [OIT Training Calendar](#) for technology training opportunities. The Office of Information Technology offers a variety of training. Topics include Banner and Banner related applications such as Toad Data point and QMenu.
- Saturday, [November 5th, 9am-12pm via Zoom](#)
  - **Holding Each Other Up** QPR Suicide Prevention Training
- Tuesday, [November 15, 3-5:30pm, Egan 223](#) (Juneau campus)
  - **Holding Each Other Up** QPR Suicide Prevention Training
- Thursday, [November 17, 5:30-7:30pm via Zoom](#)
  - **Suicide Safety Planning Workshop**
- Wednesday, November 30, 12-1pm
  - **Supervisor Brown Bag Forum** - [Sign up at MyUA](#)  
UA HR's Talent Acquisition team is rolling out a Brown Bag Lunch Forum specifically for Supervisors. This hour will be set aside for supervisors to join the TA team to bring forward and discuss any TA related questions. These may include Classification, Compensation, Recruitment, or DEI Items. Please join us at noon on the last Wednesday of each month!
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- Visit the [HR Training Calendar](#) for more training opportunities.

## **Sitka Update (Katie)**

### **Events**

- Academic advisors, Kristin Scotchmer, Aklei Dangel, and Katie Sill attended the NACADA conference in Portland.

### **Personnel Changes**

- Willa Johnson, the Communication Specialist for the RASOR program joined the Sitka team. Her immediate focus will be assisting regional high school students participate in Whalefest.

### **Campus Concerns**

- Two external evaluators are on campus 10/24-26 working with the SUPPORT grant team to assess progress and chart future planning.

## **Ketchikan Update (Jessica)**

### **Events**

- N/A

### **Personnel Changes**

- N/A

### **Campus Concerns**

- N/A

## **Juneau Update (Traci)**

### **Events**

- Evening at Egan - October 28, 7-8:30pm: *Lessons from Inigenous Tourism for a Regenerative Future with Dr. Alexis Bunten* - This is live streamed from the Egan Library. More information is available at [uas.alaska.edu/eganlecture](https://uas.alaska.edu/eganlecture).
- Halloween - October 31 - See how your colleagues decorated for Halloween with a campus walk-through. Keep an eye out for communication from Student Government about when the announcement will be for the winner of this year's Golden Pumpkin Award.
- Second Annual Walking Challenge - November 1-November 30: Get your groups together and join the second annual UAS walking challenge. Walk in a group or

alone. This challenge kicks off November 1 and ends November 30. Keep an eye out throughout October for information about registration. This is open to students, faculty, and staff. For more information, please contact Kolene James.

- Evening at Egan - November 4, 7-8:30pm: *The Empirical Study of Art Objects: How Philosophical and Scientific Approaches Have Framed our Preferences and Understanding of What Art Is and What Art Does* with Dr. Melissa Dolese - This is live streamed from the Egan Library. More information is available at [uas.alaska.edu/eganlecture](https://uas.alaska.edu/eganlecture).
- Evening at Egan - November 18, 7-8:30pm: *UAS Creative Showcase with UAS Art, Theatre, and Writing Faculty* - More information is available at [uas.alaska.edu/eganlecture](https://uas.alaska.edu/eganlecture).

## Personnel Changes

- After over 8 years in Dining Services Analyn Guimmayen has decided to leave the university. Analyn's last day was in early October.
- Kailey has joined the EMSA team. Welcome Kailey Pritzl as the new Admissions Counselor! Kailey transitioned this October from an Administrative Assistant in the School of Arts & Sciences to the Admissions Counselor role. The School of Arts & Sciences will miss her terribly but is confident that she'll be GREAT in her new role.
- The School of Education will be recruiting for a new Field Placement Coordinator soon. Alan's last day was October 21. The position has a posted review date of November 7.
- Welcome our new Facilities Services Electrician, Mark Bunes! We are excited to have Mark join the team. Mark joined the team at the end of October.
- IT Services has a new Juneau Campus Classroom Support Coordinator. Welcome Mitch McLaughlin to the team.
- Our wonderful Instructional Designer Trudy Brown has taken a remote work position that allows her to live closer to extended family. Her last day will be October 24th. Keep an eye out for recruitment for a new Instructional Designer.
- The School of Arts and Sciences is accepting applications for the [Grants and Budget Administration Analyst](#). Position is open until filled.
- The School of Arts and Sciences is accepting applications for the [Administrative Assistant](#) position in Anderson.
- We are still recruiting for a [Rural Admissions Counselor](#) and [Director of Residence Life](#).
- We are close to finalizing the vacant positions: [Student Exchange Coordinator](#) and [Residence Life Coordinator](#).
- The IT Helpdesk welcomes Daniel Abeyta as the newest member of IT Services.
- There's been a small restructure in staffing in the Student Resource Center
  - Deb Rydman will continue to serve as our VA Advisor and School Certifying Official.

- Aimée Richards is now our Career Services Coordinator. Aimée will also continue to serve as an academic advisor to students in the Bachelor Intended program. ^\_\_^

### **Campus Concerns**

- Staff Compensation
- There are some Crafts & Trades positions posted on the [Careers website](#). If you know anyone looking for work, please encourage them to apply. We look forward to seeing our departments fully staffed in the near future!