

committee on the job evaluation process. The committee addressed the geographic differential bill. This bill is going through the house and would adversely affect rural staff with a cap of 20% for the geographic differential. President Scholle spoke with Wendy Redman and she feels it will be passed. There has been conflicting reports that if the bill is passed, currently employees would be grandfathered in at the current geographic differential. However, this needs to be confirmed. Representative Hanley has requested that the state participate in a survey regarding state employees' salaries compared to the private sector and other state employees in different states. At this time the University would not be considered in the survey. Staff Council representatives recommended that the University not participate, but that a comparison be made after the results are known.

B. Information Coordinating - R. Pierce

There was no report, President-Elect Pierce had jury duty.

C. Staff Affairs - G. Matheke

1. Motion to delete the Library Information Technology Users Committee from the Governance Coordinating Committee

After a brief discussion, a motion was made and seconded. The vote was unanimous.

MOTION PASSED (unanimous)

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The UAF Staff Council moves to delete the Library Information Technology Users Committee of the Governance Coordinating Committee.

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

RATIONALE: The current committee is inactive and not functional at this time.

2. Motion to approve the 1997-98 Academic Calendar

After a brief discussion, the motion was tabled. The Business Office has expressed concerns regarding the length of time for fee payment. This motion was tabled and will be addressed along with parking at the April 23 Staff Affairs Committee meeting. A copy of the latest draft of the dispute resolution was distributed and will be addressed at the next committee meeting.

MOTION TABLED (unanimous)

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The UAF Staff Council moves to approve the 1997-98 academic calendar for the Fairbanks campus.

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS - Fairbanks Campus
ACADEMIC CALENDAR 1997-98

FALL SEMESTER - 1997

Application for admission deadline/fall semester	Tues., Aug. 1
Orientation for new students	Sun.-Wed., Aug. 30-Sept. 3
Labor Day	Mon., Sept. 1
Residence halls open, 9:00 a.m.	Mon., Sept. 1
Registration materials & advisors available	Tues.-Wed., Sept. 2-3
Registration: course selection	Tues.-Wed., Sept. 2-3
Last day for residence halls check in	Wed., Sept. 3
Fee payment	Tues.-Wed., Sept. 2-12*
First day of instruction	Thurs., Sept. 4
Last day of late registration	Fri., Sept. 12
Last day for student-initiated withdrawals except freshman and non-degree students	Fri., Sept. 26
Low grade reports for freshman due	Wed., Oct. 1
Last day for student initiated withdrawals for freshman and non-degree students	Fri., Oct. 10

Last day to apply for fall graduation	Tues., Oct. 15
Priority registration/1997 spring semester	Begins Nov. 10
Thanksgiving holidays	Thurs.-Sun., Nov. 27-30
Last day of instruction	Fri., Dec. 12
Final examinations	Mon.-Thurs., Dec. 15-18
Residence halls close, noon	Fri., Dec. 19
Grades due to Admissions & Records, noon	Mon., Dec. 22

SPRING SEMESTER-1998

Application for admission deadline/spring semester	Fri., Dec. 1
Orientation for new students	Mon.-Tues., Jan. 12-13
Residence halls open, 9:00 a.m.	Sun., Jan. 11
Registration materials & advisors available	Tues.-Wed., Jan. 13-14
Registration: course selection	Tues.-Wed., Jan. 13-14
Last day for residence hall check in	Wed., Jan. 14
Fee Payment	Tues.-Wed., Jan. 13-23*
First day of instruction	Thurs., Jan. 15
Alaska Civil Rights Day (no classes)	Mon., Jan. 19
Last day of late registration	Fri., Jan. 23
Last day for student-initiated withdrawals except freshman and non-degree students	Fri., Feb. 6
Low grade reports for freshman due	Wed., Feb. 11
Last day to apply for spring graduation	Mon., Feb. 16
Last day for student initiated withdrawals for freshman and non-degree students	Fri., Feb. 20
Spring recess	Mon.-Sun., Mar. 16-22
Priority registration/1998 fall semester	Begins Mar. 30
All Campus Day (no classes)	Fri., Apr. 24
Last day of instruction	Fri., May 1
Final examinations	Mon.-Thurs., May 4-7
Residence halls close, noon	Fri., May 8
Commencement	Sun., May 10
Grades due to Admissions & Records	Wed., May 13

*Change of last day of late registration may require lengthening of fee payment and change in refund policy.

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

D. Elections, Membership, & Rules - L. Bender

VII Comments and Questions

Calendar - A suggestion was made to have next years staff calendar horizontal instead of vertical. This would fit their work area better. However, another representative stated that the vertical calendar fits better in their work area. The photo selected for the calendar dictates the position of the calendar.

PERS - Representatives asked if there is going to be a change to PERS. There is a House Bill that would make the PERS system into 3 tiers for new employees. This is attached to the retirement incentive bill. This would not affect current employees.

Door Prize - Linda Ilgenfritz was the winner of the door prize.

E-Mail - If you are having trouble receiving information via e-mail, contact the Governance Office at 7056.

VIII Announcements

A. Upcoming Staff Council Committee Meetings

April 22 Administrative Committee, 3:30 p.m., Wood Center Conference Room B

April 23 Staff Affairs, 9:00 a.m., Wood Center Conference Room B

April 23 Picnic Committee, 10:00 a.m., Wood Center Conference Room B

May 1 Staff Council, 8:30 a.m., Wood Center Ballroom

May 6 Rural Affairs, 11:00 a.m., Wood Center Conference Room A

IX The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

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