# **United Academics AAUP-AFT Local 4996**

# **Executive Board Meeting Minutes - approved**

**Date:** Wednesday, May 1, 2024 **Time:** 9:30-11:30 am AKDT

CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:31AM Land Acknowledgement **Statement on Racial Justice and Social Equity** Roll Call Members present: Abel Bult-Ito, Jill Dumesnil, Nelta Edwards, Kathy DiLorenzo, Tara Palmer, Doug Cost Members absent: Cindy Trussell Staff: Kate Quick, Melanie Arthur **Guests:** Andrea Dewees Motion to Approve 2024-05-01 agenda passed Motion to approve minutes from 2024-04-17 meeting passed **REPORTS**  President Report provided. Secretary Report provided. • Treasurer No report. • VP UAF Report provided. • VP UAS Report provided. • VP Extended sites No report. • VP UAA Report provided.

• Contract Manager

# Report provided.

• Organizing Manager

# Report provided.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. AAUP Statement on Free Speech and Peaceful Protest

Motion to sign on to the AAUP Statement on Free Speech and Peaceful Protest passed.

2. Update on AGWA negotiations

# Update provided.

3. Phone conversation with Irene Mulvey, AAUP Candidate

## The conversation was discussed.

4. Todd Wolfson, AAUP Candidate

#### We had a conversation with Todd.

5. Transcriptionist services <u>read.ai</u>

## This AI tool was discussed.

6. Summer E-Board meetings

Third Wednesday of the month for May, June, July, and August with email updates in between.

- **NEXT MEETING**: 9:30-11:30 am AKDT Wednesday, May 15, 2024
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#### Issues were discussed.

• Motion to Adjourn passed at 11:45am.

#### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We live and work on the unceded territories of Alaska Native Peoples. We very much appreciate their past and ongoing stewardship of these lands.

#### STATEMENT ON RACIAL JUSTICE AND SOCIAL EQUITY AT UA

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 racism or injustice 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 bias.

| United Academics<br>Executive Board |                       |           |
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| ORGANIZATIONAL VP - UAS             | Kathy DiLorenzo, D.A. | 2023-2024 |
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