

Faculty Alliance

Resolution 2020-03

Whereas Faculty Alliance hosted President Ramaswamy and Mac Powell of NWCCU on an August 9, 2019 Faculty Alliance Meeting; and

Whereas the NWCCU provided their perspective on potential restructure of the UA system that might lead to a single accredited institution or consolidation of Colleges, Schools and programs; and

Whereas the NWCCU made it abundantly clear that the process for moving forward has to be based on shared governance principles that include the meaningful engagement of Faculty, Staff, and Students in the process; and

Whereas the Chancellors of UAS, UAF and UAA had initiated a working group to meet budget cuts and maintain accreditation in July 2019 and laid the groundwork for a process based on shared governance; and,

Whereas Vice President Layer is initiating an Academic Structure Management team for the week of August 19, 2019, and Faculty Alliance recognizes the short timeframe in which the UA BOR has to be presented a plan that includes budget cost savings, potential consolidation of schools, colleges, and programs by mid-September.

Therefore be it resolved, Faculty Alliance recommends that the three Chancellors be involved and provide the initial groundwork they covered that examined budget cuts, shared services, and potential consolidations for the August 19 convening of the Academic Structure Management team of Vice President Layer.

Adopted by a vote of 7 in favor and 1 against by the Faculty Alliance on the 13th day of August 2019.

Maria Williams, Chair