

## System Governance Council Resolution 202001 Regarding the Proposal to Increase AY21 Tuition

WHEREAS, the NWCCU response letter dated November 1, 2019 stated, <sup>3</sup>You are also creating opportunities for inclusive dialogue regarding the future structure of the University of Alaska (UA) System as you develop a path forward to solve the funding and enrollment challenges that WKUHDWHQ WKH VWDWH **L**VQLQVDVQLQWXWLRQV RIKLJKHU OHDU

WHEREAS, the BOR has proposed a 5% tuition increase for AY21; and

WHEREAS, the Coalition of Student Leaders has not received an acceptable reply as to where the additional 5% of tuition dollars will be spent; and

WHEREAS, the three universities are undergoing expedited academic program reviews in order to prepare for anticipated budget cuts; and

WHEREAS, further cuts to the UA budget are anticipated for AY21 and AY22; and

WHEREAS,

the impact of a 5% tuition increase could result in lower enrollments and less tuition revenue; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to have each university examine their respective tuition rates in relation to their comparator institutions.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the UA System Governance Council does not support a 5% tuition increase and believes this is counter to student success and could result in lower student enrollments.

Heather Batchelder, Chair

Date

Voting results: 5-0