

SB 118

The University of Alaska Faculty Representation Act

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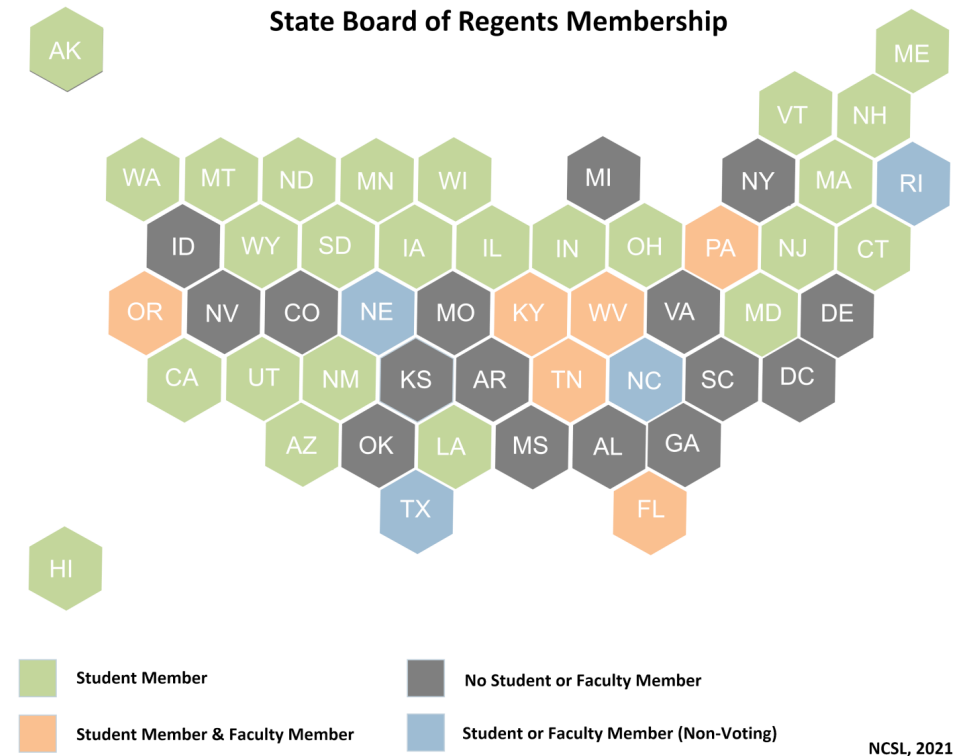
University of Alaska Board of Regents Membership

- 10 Regents serve 8-year terms
- 1 Student regent:
 - Serves a 2-year term
 - Has full board powers
 - Must have 2.5 cumulative GPA
 - 2 students are elected by their campus and then a nominee is selected by the Governor
- Current Role of Faculty with the BOR:
 - Faculty Alliance makes a report at each BOR meeting
 - Able to be called on to answer questions
 - Does not have full speaking rights as a Regent



State By State Comparison

- 24 state University systems have a student regent
- 6 state University systems have a faculty regent



Examples:

Oregon, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia

Oregon State University and University of Oregon

Trustees Board has 15 members, including 11 at-large members, 1 faculty member, 1 student member, and 1 staff member all appointed by the Governor.



Pennsylvania State University

Trustee Board has 38 Members, including 6 at-large members, 9 alumni-elected members, and 6 agriculture members. In addition, the Board elects 6 members-one of which is a faculty member.



West Virginia University

Board of Governors has 17 members, with 13 at-large members, 2 faculty members, 1 student member, and 1 staff member.



Examples:

Florida, Kentucky, and Tennessee

State University system of Florida

17 members total including 14 at-large members appointed by the Governor, the Chair of the Advisory Council of Faculty Senates, the Commissioner of Education, and the Chair of the Florida Student Association.



Kentucky State University

11 voting members, including 8 at-large members, 1 faculty and 1 staff regent elected by their respective governing councils, and 1 student regent.



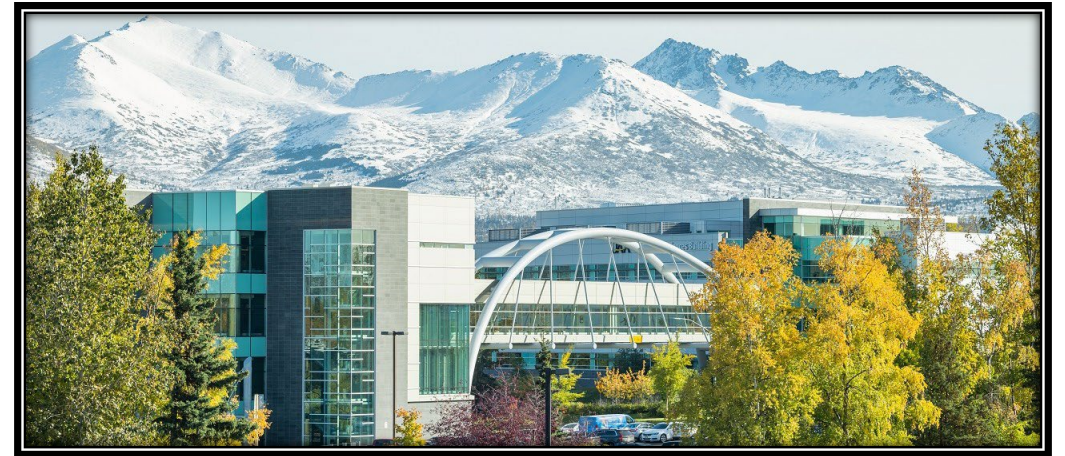
Tennessee University System

18 members total, including 12 at-large members, 1 faculty member, 1 student, and 4 ex-officio members.

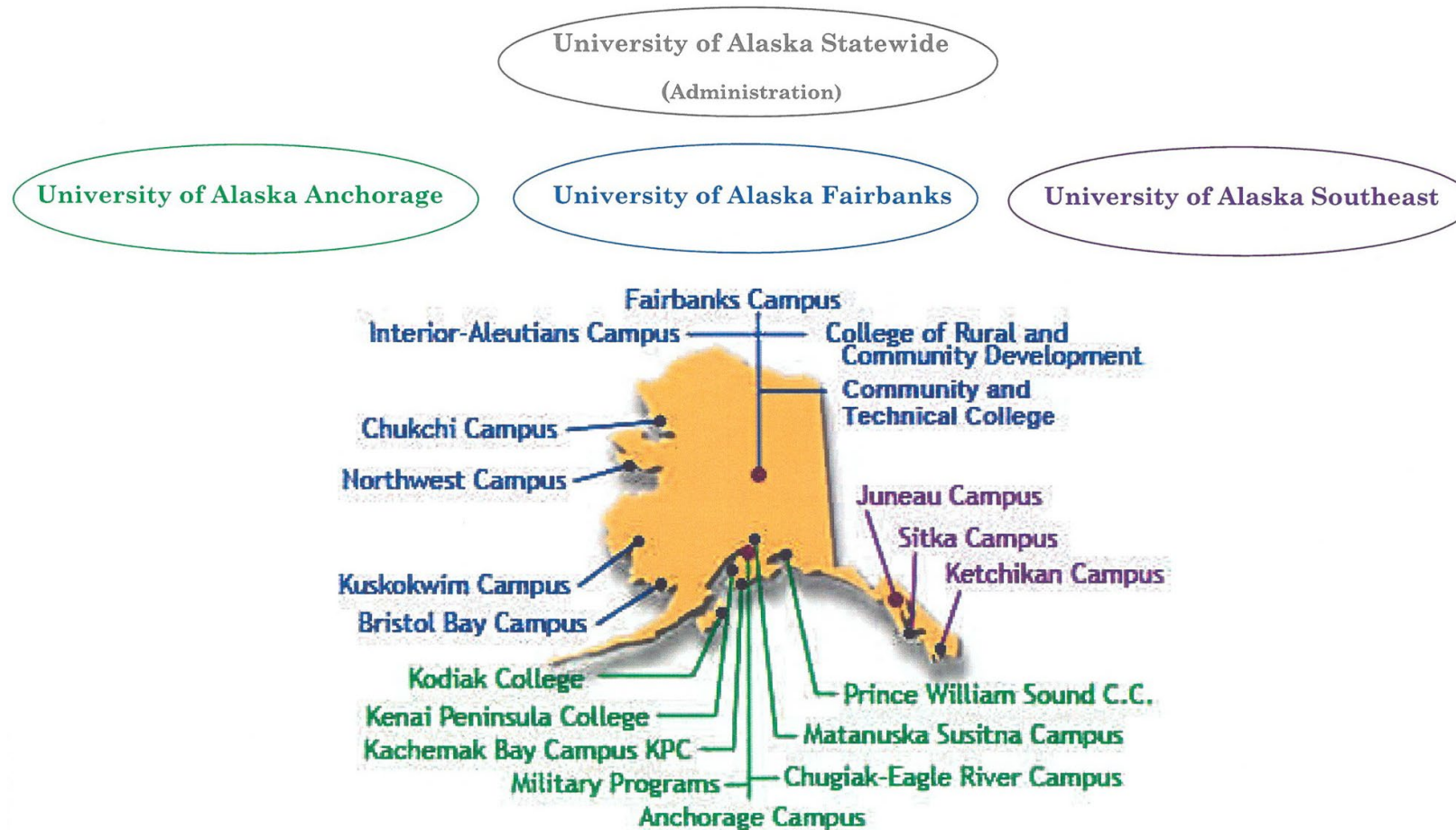


University of Alaska Faculty Representation Act *How it Works*

- Increases the number of Regents from 11 to 12
- 2 nominees from the Faculty Senate of each of the three main campuses are put forward
- Governor selects one appointee, subject to confirmation by the Legislature
- Faculty must be a tenured, full-time, UA employee
- Serves a 2-year term
- Has the full powers of a regent for voting, travel, and entering executive session
- Majority vote needed for a motion of the Board to carry



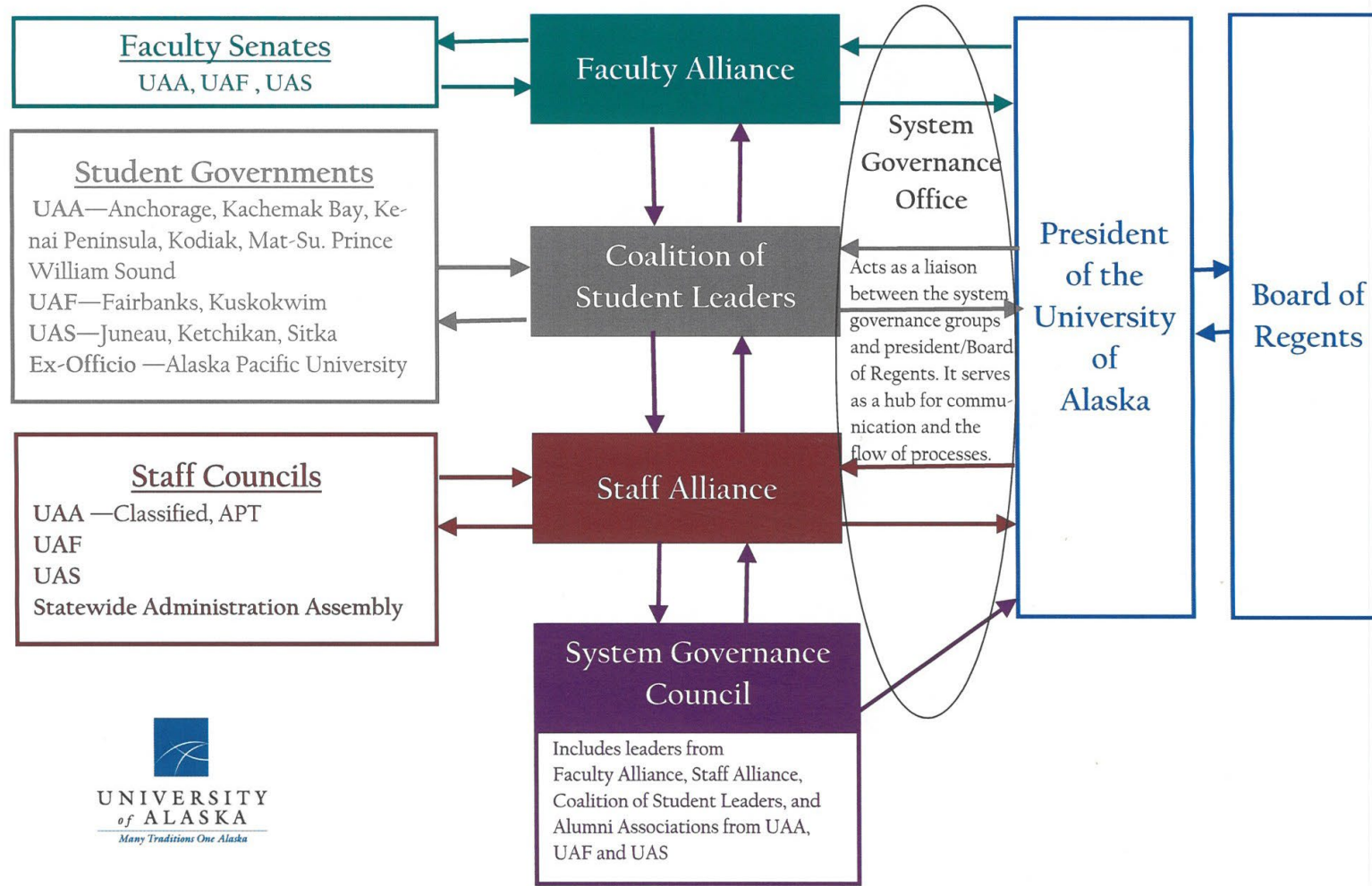
University of Alaska System



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UA System Governance Flow Cart



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Benefits of a Faculty Regent

- More than a “seat at the table”
- Faculty can enter executive session, travel for Board meetings, and can vote
- Improves the ability for faculty to provide stakeholder interest
- Held to a standard of professionalism-they can recuse themselves from a conflicted vote
- Ensures that faculty, like students, are given a voting interest in University affairs



QUESTIONS?