



Realizing Alaska's Future: 2020-2040

University of Alaska President Jim Johnsen

Dr. Jim Johnsen was appointed to serve as the 14th president of the University of Alaska on July 28, 2015. His most recent experience includes service as an executive with Alaska Communications and previously with Doyon, Limited. President Johnsen also served the University of Alaska between 1996-2008, in several executive roles including vice president of administration and chief of staff. President Johnsen is passionate about higher education and economic opportunity, having served as chair of the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education, vice chair of the Alaska Student Loan Corporation, vice chair of the University of Alaska Foundation, commissioner on the Western Interstate Commission on Higher Education, member of the Alaska State Committee on Research, and member of the Board of Directors of the Alaska State Chamber of Commerce.

AVP Government Relations Miles Baker

Miles Baker works on behalf of the university with the legislature, the governor, and state and federal agencies. Baker advises the president, Board of Regents, and university executives on political issues and strategies essential to successfully move the university's legislative priorities. Baker has extensive experience with a wide range of skills, from communications, public relations, finance and marketing, to extensive government relations, legislative strategy and advocacy experience, and has deep ties to Alaska with contacts throughout the state.

UAA Chancellor Cathy Sandeen

Dr. Cathy Sandeen is an educational leader who is committed to providing opportunity for more Alaskans to earn degrees and credentials through strategic innovation. She began serving as chancellor of the University of Alaska Anchorage in September 2018. Prior to joining the University of Alaska system, Sandeen was chancellor of the University of Wisconsin Colleges and UW-Extension for four years. As vice president for education attainment and innovation at the American Council on Education, she lead ACE's nationwide effort to increase post-secondary educational attainment.

UAF Chancellor Daniel M. White

Daniel M. White has served as University of Alaska Fairbanks chancellor since July 2017. He previously served as University of Alaska vice president for academic affairs and research. He joined the faculty of the University of Alaska Fairbanks in 1995 as a professor of civil and environmental engineering. White has served in several positions at UAF, including director of the Institute of Northern Engineering, UAF associate vice chancellor for research and head of the Office of Intellectual Property and Commercialization and interim vice chancellor for research. He has a bachelor's degree in physics from Colorado College, a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Washington University and a doctorate in civil and environmental engineering from the University of Notre Dame.



UAS Chancellor Rick Caulfield

Dr. Richard Caulfield was selected to be the UAS Chancellor in May of 2015 by UA President Gamble. Prior to his appointment as chancellor, Caulfield served as UAS provost and executive dean. Prior to coming to UAS, Caulfield directed UAF's community campus in Fairbanks, UAF Community and Technical College. Caulfield earned his PhD in Development Studies from the University of East Anglia in the United Kingdom. He earned a Master's degree in Education from the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF), and BA and BS degrees in Political Science and Natural Resources from the University of California, Berkeley.

Chief Human Resources Officer Keli Hite McGee

Keli Hite McGee was appointed chief human resources officer for the University of Alaska Statewide System in June 2016. She brings to the university more than 20 years of professional experience in human resources, consulting, executive coaching, training and communications. From 2000-2012, McGee was an executive coach for Hites Consulting Inc. where she managed strategic planning training and worked with individuals to achieve business growth. She has also held senior-level human resources positions at companies including Tanana Valley College, Fairbanks Daily News Miner, UAF and Golden Valley Electric Association. McGee has a proven track record of building teams focused on attracting top talent, transforming organizations, leading human resources activity and creating an engaged workforce.

UA Foundation President Susan Foley

A third-generation Alaskan, Susan Foley brings substantial philanthropic, executive and non-profit leadership to the UA Foundation. As an attorney and shareholder in Foley, Foley, & Pearson, P.C. for 29 years, Foley has assisted hundreds of Alaskans with their estate planning needs, often including philanthropy and charitable giving components. A frequent lecturer on all aspects of charitable planning, philanthropy, and wealth transfer planning, she has significant teaching and speaking experience for a multitude of community and professional groups, statewide and nationally.

Donor Relations Guru Principal and Founder Lynne Wester

Lynne Wester strongly believes that donor relations is the key to unlocking fundraising success and that organizations must be as dedicated to the donor experience, or DX, as they are to the ask itself. Some-times referred to as the Olivia Pope of fundraising, Wester helps organizations when they need it the most – when crisis or opportunity arrive. Wester and her teammates at the Donor Relations Guru Group partner with nonprofits large and small on a variety of initiatives from developing sound strategy and vision to utilizing technology and creating meaningful donor engagement - all designed to positively affect the fundraising bottom line. Her guidance has led her clients to be recognized on the national stage for fundraising innovation, creative communication, and groundbreaking donor relations work.



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Strategies 360 Vice President of Communications and Operations, Alaska, Charles Fedullo

Charles Fedullo likes being in the middle of the fray, telling a story. He brings more than two decades of media and public policy communications experience to Strategies 360. Fedullo has worked in academia as a journalism professor, media as a television reporter and news director, as well as politics as an aide to two Alaska governors. This experience gives him a unique understanding of what messaging and marketing works and what doesn't from the Beltway to Barrow, Alaska. Fedullo enjoys reading as well as cooking, fishing and hiking with his family. He lives in Anchorage with his wife Shannon (University of Alaska Fairbanks graduate and UAF Alumni Board Member) and their three children. He has a bachelor's degree from Temple University in Philadelphia and a master's degree from the University of Alaska Fairbanks.