

MEMORANDUM

TO: Faculty, Staff, and Students

FROM: Robert A. Altenkirch

RE: Draft and Interim Policies/Draft Smoke- and Tobacco-Free Policy

DATE: October 5, 2015

As you know, we established a Policy Website

<http://www.uah.edu/images/administrative/president/memos/policy-website-08-28-2015.pdf>

containing all university policies currently in effect. In addition, draft and interim policies for review are posted on myUAH under the section entitled "Draft and Interim Policies for Review."

Recently posted on myUAH is a revised (draft) "smoking policy" that proposes to make the UAH campus smoke- and tobacco-free to help ensure the health and well-being of UAH students, faculty, staff and visitors. A rationale for proposing such a policy is included with the draft policy. Additionally, of the 14 state universities in Alabama, half of them are smokefree, including The University of Alabama and The University of Alabama at Birmingham. Alabama A&M and Calhoun Community College in Huntsville are also smokefree.

The draft smoke- and tobacco-free policy has been shared with the Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, and Student Government Association as per the Policy on Policies detailing the process of policy development. Please let me know if you have any comments on the draft smoke- and tobacco-free policy. Feel free to provide input on this draft policy, and any other draft and interim policies posted on myUAH, through your respective representative bodies as well.

Thanks,

Bob