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Subject: RE: Ted Stevens

Tim,

We have had a group of staff and faculty from each university (UAA, UAF, and UAS), appointed by the chancellors and representing public policy, graduate and undergraduate research, honors and internship programs, and academic affairs working on proposal development. Our aim has been to come up with something that is responsive to the vision you and Karina articulated and is consistent with the missions of each of the three universities and the UA system. Not knowing what might be possible in terms of funding and fundraising, we have also tried to make it scalable.

Next week, we will meet with the president and three chancellors to present the work of the committee. My hope is that we will come out of that meeting with buy-in of our leadership and clarity around what the university would need to advance the Institute. At that point, we would like to sit down with you and whomever from the Ted Stevens Foundation you identify, to get your feedback on whether or not we've hit the mark from your perspective. I believe it would also be helpful, at that time, for us to have a very preliminary conversation about expectations on the part of the Ted Stevens Foundation, as well as those of UA, regarding what each of us would need to feel comfortable with formally announcing and moving forward with the Institute.

I know your hope is to have something to announce on the Senator's 90th birthday. We are aware that the date is rapidly approaching and are working as quickly as possible. Because of the importance of the project, however, I want to make sure we get this right...both in terms of the concept, and in making sure we're aligned on how to advance it.

Are you available for a phone call next week (Wednesday or later) to discuss a concept proposal and other details? I've copied Kathleen Miner who can work with you and your team on scheduling.

Carla