University names may change — slightly

Slightly new names for the three new units of the University of Alaska will be established by the Board of Regents if they accept President Donald O'Dowd's recommendation at their meeting Thursday and Friday.

O'Dowd will recommend to the board that the three institutions, which have resulted from the paring down of the university from 14 accredited institutions to three, be called University of Alaska Anchorage, University of Alaska Fairbanks and University of Alaska Southeast.

For Fairbanks and Anchorage the only change would be the absence of punctuation between the word Alaska and the location. The consensus in Southeast was that University of Alaska Southeast, rather than Juneau, would be more representative of the broad service area of the unit.

Meeting in Fairbanks, the regents will be considering student tuition, exceptions to Regents' Tenure Policy, the Fiscal Year 1989 Operating and Capital Budget requests, approval of degree recipients and participation in the Western Undergraduate Exchange. The latter is a reciprocal arrangement whereby students of the Western states can enroll in programs in other states which are not available in their own states.

Student tuition changes will be made primarily for the purpose of standardizing tuition charges for similar types of students attending the same institution.

Reports will be presented to the regents on university lands and on the Holmes Group, an organization the University of Alaska Department of Education at Fairbanks was invited to join last year. The Holmes Group is concerned with the reform of teacher education.

Facilities issues to be discussed by the board include approval of the schematic design and authorization to go to bid for the Kenai Peninsula College Homer Post Office Building remodeling; acquisition and renovation of the Growden-Harrison Elementary School for Prince William Sound Community College; approval of selection of consultants for minor capital improvement projects and a lease between Allen Marine Ways in Sitka and the University of Alaska in

Southeast.

The meeting will be held in the Wood Center Ballroom at the University of Alaska campus in Fairbanks. It begins at 9 a.m., Thursday.

Complete agendas are available at all campus libraries.