

# Ga Naa Learning Center teaches agriculture, aviation

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At an organizational meeting of the University of Alaska Regional Learning Center in Galena, Mary Farmer was elected chairperson, Ava Walsh, vice-chairperson.

By-laws for the new center were approved.

By unanimous decision the committee decided to name the center the University of Alaska Ga Naa Regional Center. Ga Naa is the Athabascan equivalent of the English word "friend."

Courses are being offered by the regional center include accounting, agriculture, aviation, business law, and macrame.

Committee members present represented the five villages currently being served: Manley,

Ruby, Tanana, Galena, and Nulato. Other villages in the region include Bettles, Allakaket, Alatna, Hughes, Huslia, Koyukuk, Kaltag, and Minto.

Other representatives present were Frank and Diane Gurtler of Manley, Morris McGinty of Nulato, and Max Huhndorf and Elma Gillette of Galena.

It was voted to send a telegram to state senator John Sackett, Dr. Ferguson, acting president of the University of Alaska and Dr. Hugh Fate and Sam Kito of the University Board of Regents requesting an additional \$250,000 for the upcoming year to fulfill the needs of the eight villages currently not being serviced due to lack of funds.