



Associated Students of the University of Hawaii - West Oahu *The 3rd Senate of Kapolei*

ASUHWOW General Senate Meeting 14-013 called to order at 2:09pm on August 5, 2014.

Members Present:

President Courtney Ketzenberger
Vice President Ryan Sommer
Secretary Joyleanne Santos
Social Sciences Senator Isaiah Baclaan

Members Not Present:

Treasurer Shane Nishimura excused/absent
Sophomore Class Senator Crizalmer Caraang Jr. unexcused/absent
Student Caucus Ambassador Sara Perry excused
Student Life Coordinator Rouel Velasco excused
Student Services Advisor Leslie Opulauoho

Reading of Agenda

1. **Motion: To approve the agenda for 14-013**
2. **Motion by: Ryan Sommer**
3. **Seconded by: Isaiah Baclaan**
4. **Resolved: Agenda for meeting 14-013 approved with the following modifications**
 - a. **Remove Katrena Gunn's name from roll call and replace with vacant.**
 - b. **Remove Leslie Opulauoho's name from roll call as Faculty Advisor.**
 - c. **Include current status of CJ Senate Stance as 8.2 in New Business**
 - d. **Regarding former UH Manoa Chancellor Tom apple as 8.3 in New Business**
5. **Vote: Unanimous**

Quorum

Yes

Internal Reports

1. Vice President
 - a. State of the bus stop: the school had to bounce back on contract and resubmit it out because UH policy requires that it be built by a company. The school will need to contact company in the area to do assembly and it will be tacked on to bill. It's already approved by Vice Chancellor's office and it's moving forward.
 - b. Shuttle bus: the school tried to get a 5-passenger van w/ ADA compliance with the wheelchair but it does not exist. So looking at doing a 15 passenger van with ADA compliance. Initially, will be getting a van with ADA compliance and then get another van to be available if someone needs it.
2. Advisors
 - a. Not at meeting due to Hoot training being held at student lounge.
 - b. New food vendor. Waiting on chancellor's signature. Will be open later and have hours in the evening with a wide variety of healthy foods.
 - c. Involvement fair on August 22nd
 - i. VP Sommer will not be there.
 - ii. Senator Baclaan will be there as a representative of another organization
 - iii. 11:30 am – 1:30 pm
 - d. Welcome Back/Club Rush
 - i. Wednesday, August 27th, 10am – 2pm in the courtyard.

ii. Arrive at 9:30 am and breakdown afterward

3. Budget & Finance

a. Voting on budget today. Last meeting it was sent to the VCSA who responded with suggestions on combining the semester budgets for a yearly one. The budget was resubmitted with those changes. VCSA then reformatted and reallocated monies so will have a budget that will be approved once it comes to vote.

b. There was a question about the budget in the travel section concerning airfare. We accounted \$16,000 for twelve people, but with only 7 people in the Senate right now the numbers for airfare is way overshoot. Had to accommodate for it and lodging and everything else. The only asked to do was basically, have a remainder of 25% at the end of the year no matter what section. It's for the overall budget.

c. The budget can be readjusted at the end of fall, reallocating the money amongst other categories. As far as stipends go, they won't be raised until the VCSA sees more senators completing initiatives and doing what's required of them. After all, being a part of student government is service learning and on volunteer basis.

4. Strategic Planning Committee

a. President Ketzenberger and VP Sommer informed the senate that a draft is going out to senior members of faculty and administration to get their input. The process is that drafts will go out to groups of people at a time and from top down in order because offices higher up may need things done a certain way in order for the other offices to follow suit.

Unfinished Business

1. Senate Photos

a. Postpone senate photos until 9:30 am on Wednesday, August 27th

2. Budget Approval

a. **Motion: To approve ASUHWO budget for 2014-2015**

b. **Motioned by: Ryan Sommer**

c. **Seconded by: Sara Perry**

d. **Vote: Unanimous**

New Business

1. Education Senator Katrena Gunn's Resignation

a. President Ketzenberger will send an email thanking former Education Senator Gunn for her service on behalf of the Senate.

2. Sophomore Class Senator Caraang issue

a. Senator Caraang has been excused from both June meetings due to interference with work but missed the meeting we had in July. He has been receiving all the emails as the rest of the Senate with no response. Today's meeting, 14-003, is the second meeting he is absent from with no excuse. According to the Article IV Section C, a senate member with two or more unexcused absences shall be terminated. However, since Senator Caraang is new and is not informed of this rule, VP Sommer will send him an email letting him know he is on a 2-week probation period or else he will be terminated from the Senate in the next meeting. This is in the hopes that he can come back to gain this experience and explain his situation.

3. Chancellor Apple Issue

a. Student Caucus Ambassador Perry addressed the issue going on at Manoa with the firing of Chancellor Apple by UH President David Lassner, which enraged student, faculty, and the community. A few causes of the commotion is that students and faculty believed that Apple was doing a great job and it is the students that are at a loss with the hiring and firing of Apple, and again when the search for a new chancellor starts. Ambassador Perry wanted to see if Senate will support addressing the fact that there is little input of student and faculty on how high ranking administration is removed and how

there is a lack of transparency. Instead of basing it on how well or poorly Apple did, the feeling is that he was fired based on politics which poses a problem. She is asking for a letter from ASUHWO saying stop playing politics, would like more transparency, and that students and faculty should have say in hiring and firing,

b. VP Sommer advises that before doing so, we should consult our own chancellor and see what his take is. Our school's asking for a lot right now more so than other schools. We have a lot more at stake, especially the reflection we give of the school. If GSO and caucus creates a resolution for this, then it should be brought to senate.

c. President Ketzenberger recommends that ASUHWO not to be first one to act. She advises Perry to go to caucus, draft something and send it back. We have a lot more at stake than Manoa and don't want to be the campus that attacks. It's not our campus.

d. VP Sommer reminds the senate that we don't know the big picture on what's going on in Manoa. We don't know human resources policies. Apple's fine because they came to a settlement he agreed to.

e. Senator Baclaan shared his opinion, stating that he doesn't want our government to spearhead it and then we get branded as going to campus and riling things. The Manoa campus asking for support is a different story.

f. VP Sommer suggested that Caucus looks at human resources practices on a UH level, find somewhere that could be more transparent, and work on it.

g. Secretary Santos also supports the idea of not being the ones to form the opinion, but support the opinion of such issues if it is brought up.

Announcements and Open Forum

1. Concern from VP Sommer

a. VP Sommer shared his concern on what the Senate will be presenting for the upcoming events, Freshmen Orientation and Welcome Back/Club rush, since ASUHWO is no longer in charge of activities and senate numbers are dwindling.

i. Need to coordinate with Rouel on if we're setting up a booth or hosting an activity.

ii. Suggestions: give a speech, recruit others, have posters and banners showcasing ASUHWO, pass out informational pamphlets and fliers, inform students about Fall special elections, pass out swag.

iii. Be sure to wear polo shirts and name tags.

2. Color run

a. Student Caucus Ambassador Perry reminded the senate that t-shirts need to be ordered for the color run that will be worn at our station. A max of 25 volunteers is needed. Different colors and styles were discussed.

3. Planning for the upcoming events

a. August 12, next Tuesday: bring ideas and a plan of what to showcase so that the booth is ready to set up when the days come.

4. Fall special elections

a. Accepting applications from August 25th to September 8th

b. Campaigning is from September 8th to 12th

c. Electronic voting from September 13th to 19th

Meeting Adjournment at 3:55 pm

Motioned by: Ryan Sommer

Seconded by: Sara Perry

Voting Record

Voting Record for General Meeting 14-013, Reading of Agenda: To Approve the Agenda for GM 14-013				
Name	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Vote by Proxy(?)
Ryan Sommer	X			NA
Joyleanne Santos	X			NA
Shane Nishimura	X			YES
Isaiah Baclaan	X			NA

Voting Record for General Meeting 14-014, Unfinished Business: To Approved ASUHWO Budget for 2014-2015				
Name	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Vote by Proxy(?)
Ryan Sommer	X			NA
Joyleanne Santos	X			NA
Shane Nishimura	X			YES
Isaiah Baclaan	X			NA