



The Associated Students of the University of Hawai'i – West O'ahu 5th Senate of Kapolei

MASUHWO General Senate Meeting 17-013 called to order at 3:38pm on February 9, 2017 in room E-228.

Members Present

President Isaiah Baclaan
Vice President Haylie Culp
Secretary Lehua Gould
Treasurer Elizabeth Gustafson
Junior Class Senator Kyle Nades
Sophomore Class Senator Christielove Espinosa
Freshman Class Senator Adryana DeAngleo
Business Administration Division Senator Gabe Geronimo
Public Administration Division Senator Isabella Pineda
S.L Coordinator Rouel Velasco

Members Not Present

Distance Learning Senator Shermila Sioson – excused
Social Sciences Senator Brian Watson – excused
Education Senator Lydia Haff – excused

Guests

Frankie Pasion
Eric
Raygiene Pascual
Rowly
Joshua Fujimoto

Quorum

Yes

Open Guests Forum

Frankie Pasion: I am a librarian for public services, business administration, and Public Administration.

Eric: I am representing Leeward Student Government.

Raygiene Pascual: I am the president of Leeward's Student Government.

Rowly: I am a senator at Leeward Community College.

Joshua Fujimoto: I am the Leeward Community College Vice President.

Reading of Minutes

Motion: to approve the minutes for General Meeting 17-012

Motion by: Isabella Pineda

Seconded by: Christielove Espinosa

Vote: Unanimous

Reading of Agenda



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Motion: to approve the agenda for General Meeting 17-013

Motion by: Lehua Gould

Seconded by: Christielove Espinosa

Resolved: Agenda for Meeting 17-013 approved with the following amendments

- **Strike New Business to remove 7.6 Previous Gift Cards**
- **Strike New Business to remove 7.7 General Elections and Transitions Calendar**

Vote: Unanimous

Internal Reports

1. President

I attended the UH Caucus meeting this past Saturday. I've also been emailing certain constituents about concerns that they've been contacting me about and I've also attended the Transportation Committee meeting, which also helped to answer some of my questions regarding distance learning. Also, I spoke with the higher education chair at the capital about the Hawaii Promise Program and it seems very favorable in aiding UH students; I am looking forward to having a more formal meeting with him to discuss that.

2. Vice President

I am working with senators on their initiatives and have several meetings lined up for this week with senators. To senators, for your reports today, please share your initiative update, where you're at and whom you are interviewing to make progress on your initiative.

3. Secretary

I've continued to work on updating the website to make sure all of our documents are up to date.

4. Treasurer

I am finishing up and sending in the coffee bill.

5. Advisors

- a. Student Life Coordinator
ASUHWO Office Reminders:

The office is a space to conduct business for ASUHWO purposes, not a place to be affectionate with your partner or for sleeping purposes. When conducting office hours, use the time wisely to work on your initiatives. Also, I've been tabling with Katrina to promote PUEO Leadership and ASUHWO's General Elections. I'm afraid that the amount of effort exerted in promoting General Elections has not been enough.

Legislative Testimony Submissions:

It is the season for advocacy at the legislature for funding for positions, programs and capital improvement projects, all are welcome to submit testimony as a private student, but not as an official representative until the senate agrees with its own legislation to support. Please review the list of legislative items that were forwarded to you, yesterday, February 8th, for legislation bills to be heard on Feb 14th. I highly encourage as much student testimony as the legislature wants to hear.

E Ola Pono 2/21-2/4



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I am looking for students to be part of the team to give free hugs on 2/21, from 10am-1pm. Also, if students contact you with a concern or issue, please bring it up with me to discuss strategies of how to proceed.

Initiatives:

Thank you to those who submitted their write-ups for review. Those are a great start. I would like to emphasize that the role of student government is to affect policies, processes and procedures in bettering the student experience at UHWO. Thank you to the three who submitted their write-ups

Frankie: If anyone needs help submitting testimony, we have a research guide online that can help you to find the schedule of everything. Therefore, if you email me, I can send you the research guide that I made for looking up the legislative measures and all of the other things that go on in the legislature.

6. Standing Committee Reports

a. Budget and Finance

No New Reports.

b. Activities

Isaiah: I have sent out the tentative E Ola Pono action plan. It is fairly broad and up for discussion. People will need to take responsibility for certain aspects of the event such as who's setting up, breaking down, who will be the game facilitator, and who will be holding the surveys and giving information to students about our General Elections. I understand that several of our senators have wanted to conduct surveys, so this would be a great time to do so.

Christielove: As a recap of Club Rush, thank you to those who helped out and to Lehua for taking the initiative to set up and make sure that everything got to our booth so that we could begin the day. We realized that carrying the Connect Four from the lounge down to the courtyard is difficult, therefore we will be looking into attaching wheels to the bottom of the game to make transporting the board much easier. I would also like to recommend that we remember what we are promoting at the moment. We will be promoting the General Elections and informing people of what we as an organization work towards.

Lehua: I looked over the action plan and it is great that we want to do more than one activity but we should also keep in mind that we do not want to bite off more than we can chew being that only a few of us will be able to attend the event. I understand that we've agreed that only an hour of service is mandatory at these events, but as most of our senate is off campus, if you are able to serve more time, your help would be greatly appreciated.

c. Legislative

The Executive Board has discussed that the resolution drafted by our Distance Learning Senator still needs a bit of revision and is not yet ready to be passed on to the Legislative Committee for first reading. Therefore, we will be contacting Shermila to make sure that the proper revisions are made.



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7. Ad Hoc Committees

a. Elections Committee

As Rouel has mentioned, we will need to better promote our General Elections, especially when it comes to the actual voting period. Last Spring, we were able to get 172 people to vote and we want to strive to collect more votes than that. Hopefully with a new, more accessible way to vote, people will be able more easily vote in our elections. We also want to consider Caucus Representatives for the next semester.

b. Transition Committee

We will discuss a timetable for transitioning training between the old senate and the new senate and the possibility of a passing the torch ceremony between both senates.

Christielove: I got confirmation form Lynn yesterday that we can table in the D-Building Tunnels on Monday and Wednesday from 12:00pm - 3:00pm.

8. Senators Report

a. Distance Learning Division Senator

I will send a resolution today on a different email as Google docs. Also, I participated in the transfer fair yesterday to encourage students to enroll in our university. I also talked to them about the distance learning senator position. I also have two incoming students that are interested in the distance learning senator position.

b. Junior Class Senator

Rouel has been helping me to format my initiative. So far, from my last report, I talked to Lo'ea and we have set a date for the week of April 3rd, which would consist of the workshop that I will be organizing. I had to reevaluate my initiative so it will be a workshop first for undecided students transitioning from sophomores into their junior year or undecided juniors who I'd have to connect with advising so that they can help to guide those undecided students. I also have been rounding up my professors from different divisions for help with this workshop. I will continue to focus on this initiative first before moving on to the next.

Rouel: Because part of your initiative involves sophomores, are you working with Christielove? As the sophomores are Christielove's constituents, it would be a good idea to also involve her within your initiative.

Frankie: If you're interested and would like to set up a workshop with the library, we have resources and databases to look up job outlooks, job wages, articles about jobs, and so forth if the students want to look at more detailed information on jobs, what's trending in the next ten years, and so forth.

c. Sophomore Class Senator

I would really like to start getting more people to attend my constituency meetings to do surveying of the sophomore students who are struggling with determining a major or who have been undecided. Most of the people that I've spoken to, which are within the small cohort of sophomores I do know that are decided, it doesn't seem to be a big struggle and I know Lo'ea is already providing career fairs and that is really helping students but he is not having a high attendance. Therefore, my next constituency meeting date is on



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March 2nd and I am hoping to add another one on March 22nd. So far, my constituency meeting dates and times are only posted on the website so I will need to do a lot more promotion in order to increase my attendance. I am working on a survey that will ask students if they are decided or undecided and what their goals are or were before coming into college at West Oahu. Lastly, I am still working on my initiative proposal.

d. Freshman Class Senator

I have just been working on my initiative. I have decided to do the whole flower/ info cards the week before spring break so that I can uplift spirits before midterms or any other big projects that they may have. I am just working on getting my initiative report together so I can give it to the senate to look over. I had two students email me about my friends but after I emailed them back I haven't heard from them so just thinking of different things I can maybe do to get them to keep emailing me back.

e. Business Administration Division Senator

I just shared with everyone my initiative implementation plan for BigInterview.com; if you'd like to contribute feedback, your input would be greatly appreciated. I am still working on my initiative for the global entrepreneurship week with Kyle and the other UH system schools and will be sure to submit an implementation plan by our next meeting.

f. Public Administration Division Senator

I held my constituency meeting on Tuesday January 31st. I had one PUBA student come to express their feelings on practicums.

I completed my initiative plan and sent to all of ASUHOWO. My initiative plan is to complete and distribute a completed list of approved practicum sites that PUBA students may use for their capstone. I have received complaints and concerns that students are led to believe that their professor will supply them with an internship or at least be able to refer them to something. I have learned from many of my constituents that this is not the case. I hope to be able to work closer with Dr. Kristina Guo in regards to my initiative. As of now, she has not responded to any of my attempts to get in touch with her.

g. Social Sciences Division Senator

My survey is coming along. I do have a question though regarding my next steps. Who should I send it in to approve? I have also talked with Christielove and asked her about the student who first brought up the idea about the daycare in order to have her look at it as well. No name is available but efforts will be made to figure it out. Apart from that, there isn't anything new to report. Next week I will have a constituency meeting though where I will receive (Hopefully) feedback and questions from my peers.

h. Education Division Senator

Constituency meetings are set. Have not heard back from Heller but they are meeting next week. Submitted official initiative proposal to Rouel, but still need to redefine and refocus.

9. Caucus Ambassador

Currently, we do not have a Caucus Ambassador serving in the full capacity so Isaiah and Christielove have been serving in the capacity. We attended the Caucus meeting on Kaua'i and we were welcomed very warmly by the Kaua'i CC campus and we discussed several things; we



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approved the Constitution and By Laws and we also discussed the primary focus of the bills that Caucus is trying to support during this legislative session. I will be sure to forward the minutes to you folks.

Christielove: It would be great if you guys could review the minutes just for the bills section.

Isaiah: ASUHWOW does not have to support all of those bills, but if you feel passionately about one of those bills you may bring it to the senate and we can decide to submit testimony as a student government or we could submit personal testimony.

10. Campus Committee Report

- a. Communications Committee
No New Reports.

- b. Transportation Committee
At our last meeting we discussed the van situation and the future of the Pueo Shuttle and whether or not the committee would enforce a stricter stance on their ridership in the sense that an issue has been that drivers will drive students to Mililani and LCC for example, which is a bit far. Therefore, whether or not the committee will enforce a strict destination or area to better benefit the students in the sense of not having to wait so long. We also discussed the potential of getting busses in the future from companies who will do the shuttling for us. They will not be implementing a one-committee system till April I believe, as this will be about the same time as we find the results for our General Elections. The new committee will consist of one ASUHWOW member, one Pueo Leader, two other general students who'd like to serve in the capacity, and three other faculty members; a total of seven committee members.

- c. Technology Committee
Awaiting meeting minute updates.

- d. Health Committee
The Health Committee meeting will be held tomorrow from 9:00am - 9:50am if anyone would like to sit in on the meeting.

- e. Strategic Planning Committee
I've been forwarding the updates from the Strategic Planning committee to the senate and the next meeting is on March 3rd. I will start forwarding the updates to Kyle now that he has volunteered to serve on this committee.

Motion: to appoint Kyle to the Strategic Planning Committee

Motioned by: Isaiah Baaclan

Seconded by: Isabella Pineda

Vote: Unanimous

Yea (s): [10] Vice President Culp, Secretary Gould, Treasurer Gustafson, and Senators Espinosa, DeAngelo, Pineda, Watson, Haff, Geronimo and Sioson.

Nay (s): [0]

Abstain(s): [0]



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Unfinished Business

1. Student Survey Roll Out Committee

Thank you to everyone who has been working to promote this survey. We have currently increased by 5.2% so we are now at a 17% participation rate and our goal for this survey is 20%. We are almost there and we are currently ranked second place in the entire UH system, percentage wise. We are a tad bit below UH Hilo by 1.1%. So let's keep promoting! Although this is not a competition, the more responses we can get from our constituents, the better we'll be able to address future concerns of the university.

All of the senate is required to take the survey and will need to provide proof of completion at our next meeting.

2. Island Liaison Ad Hoc Committee

I'd like to suggest that we discuss this in our next Executive Board meeting as our Distance Learning senator has expressed that there are people interested in taking over her position. Per the transportation committee, I was informed that fees for distance learning students such as activities and health fees are being done away with, so I will follow up with them about that.

Rouel: Yes, a follow up will need to take place as this brings about the issue regarding O'ahu students who are completely online but still could possibly benefit from these services without being charged a fee for them.

3. Issue of Professional Liability Insurance

No New Updates. I will gather all of the information I have, forward it to the senate, and at our next Executive Board meeting, we can decide if we'd like to formulate a resolution or not for second reading.

4. Town Hall

We will discuss this during our next Executive Board meeting and then bring a decided upon date back to the senate.

5. Club Rush

As a recap of Club Rush, thank you to those who helped out and to Lehua for taking the initiative to set up and make sure that everything got to our booth so that we could begin the day. I'd also like to remind everyone that you are required to serve an hour of your time at these events, as this is a commitment you made by joining ASUHWO.

New Business

1. E Ola Pono

It is mandatory for everyone to respond to the E Ola Pono action plan regarding a time when you will be able to table.

2. University Promise Program RESO

Chancellor Benham emailed Isaiah, asking that we send a letter supporting this bill. However, we are not allowed to provide support as a student government unless we push forward legislation, in this case, in the form of a resolution. The Hawaii Promise Program bill is a bill that would provide scholarships to provide for unmet financial needs of students within the UH system. There are two versions of this bill, 1591 and 1594. 1591 is only for the Community Colleges, which is why



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UHWO is backing bill 1594 because it is for the Universities. I've sent out a resolution to the senate and it potentially mimics a lot of the information from the actual bill itself but is not plagiarized.

Motion: to Approve SR 17-03

Motioned by: Isabella Pineda

Seconded by: Kyle Nadres

Resolved: SR 17-03 approved with the following amendments

- **Correct the second whereas to remove the dash before “to”**
- **Correct the fifth whereas to read “and” instead of “anb”**
- **Correct the sixth whereas to read “and” instead of “ab”**
- **Correct Now Therefore Be it Finally Resolved to include a space between “Vice” and “Chancellor”**
- **Correct Now Therefore Be it Finally Resolved to remove “interim”**
- **Correct Now Therefore Be it Finally Resolved to remove the comma before Vice Chancellor Judy Oliveria**
- **Correct Now Therefore Be it Finally Resolved to remove Planning and Campus Operations and the American Legion Auxiliary – Aloha Girls State Program**
- **Correct Now Therefore Be it Finally Resolved to include the UHWO Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs Jeffrey Moniz.**
- **Correct Now Therefore Be it Finally Resolved to include the Hawaii State Legislature**
- **Correct Resolution No. to read “SR17-02”**

Vote: Unanimous

Yea (s): [10] Vice President Culp, Secretary Gould, Treasurer Gustafson, and Senators Espinosa, DeAngelo, Pineda, Watson, Haff, Geronimo and Sioson.

Nay (s): [0]

Abstain(s): [0]

Announcements and Open Forum

Meeting Adjournment at 5:04pm

Motioned by: Isabella Pineda

Seconded by: Kyle Nadres



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Voting Record

| Voting Record for General Meeting 17-013, Approval of Agenda and Minutes: To Approve Agenda for GM 17-013 | | | | |
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| Name | Yea | Nay | Abstain | Vote By Proxy |
| Lehua Gould | X | | | N/A |
| Christielove Espinosa | X | | | N/A |
| Adryanna DeAngelo | X | | | N/A |
| Kyle Nadres | X | | | N/A |
| Isabella Pineda | X | | | N/A |
| Brian Watson | X | | | Yes |
| Lydia Haff | X | | | Yes |
| Shermila Sioson | X | | | Yes |

| Voting Record for General Meeting 17-013, Approval of Agenda and Minutes: To Approve Minutes for GM 17-012 | | | | |
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| Name | Yea | Nay | Abstain | Vote By Proxy |
| Lehua Gould | X | | | N/A |
| Christielove Espinosa | X | | | N/A |
| Adryanna DeAngelo | X | | | N/A |
| Kyle Nadres | X | | | N/A |
| Isabella Pineda | X | | | N/A |
| Brian Watson | X | | | Yes |
| Lydia Haff | X | | | Yes |
| Shermila Sioson | X | | | Yes |

| Voting Record for General Meeting 17-013, Approval of Agenda and Minutes: To appoint Kyle to the Strategic Planning Committee | | | | |
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| Name | Yea | Nay | Abstain | Vote By Proxy |
| Haylie Culp | X | | | N/A |
| Elizabeth Gustafson | X | | | N/A |
| Lehua Gould | X | | | N/A |
| Christielove Espinosa | X | | | N/A |
| Adryanna DeAngelo | X | | | N/A |
| Brian Watson | X | | | Yes |
| Isabella Pineda | X | | | N/A |
| Gabe Geronimo | X | | | N/A |
| Lydia Haff | X | | | Yes |
| Shermila Sioson | X | | | Yes |

| Voting Record for General Meeting 17-012, Approval of Agenda and Minutes: To Approve the allocation of gift cards amongst Club Rush, E Ola Pono, Brian's Social Sciences Initiative Survey, and ASUHWO General Elections | | | | |
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| Name | Yea | Nay | Abstain | Vote By Proxy |
| Haylie Culp | X | | | N/A |
| Elizabeth Gustafson | X | | | N/A |
| Lehua Gould | X | | | N/A |
| Christielove Espinosa | X | | | N/A |
| Adryanna DeAngelo | X | | | N/A |
| Brian Watson | X | | | N/A |
| Isabella Pineda | X | | | N/A |
| Gabe Geronimo | X | | | N/A |
| Lydia Haff | X | | | Yes |



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| Shermila Sioson | X | | | Yes |
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