



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

ASUHWO General Senate Meeting 14-020 called to order at 3:35 pm on December 3, 2014.

## **Members Present**

President Courtney Ketzenberger  
Vice President Ryan Sommer  
Treasurer Shane Nishimura  
Secretary Joyleanne Santos  
Junior Class Senator Brieana Williams  
Senior Class Senator Micah Gowen  
Business Administration Senator Eric Kang  
Social Sciences Senator Isaiah Baclaan  
Student Caucus Ambassador Sara Perry  
Student Life Coordinator Rouel Velasco

## **Members not present**

N/A

## **Guests**

Interim Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Judie Oliveira  
Librarian Sara Aiello

## **Quorum**

Yes

## **Open Forum Guest**

### 1. Interim VCSA Oliveira

Executive Policy EP 6.204 concerns

Chancellor stressed that he wants to hear from students about it to keep dialogue as transparent as it can be. So far, general consensus of students don't like the 10% of merit-based scholarships changing to a set dollar amount. There is also fear that whatever the fund is spent on will not be clearly communicated, and thus unfair to the students since it is their money. Majority of people approached on subject so far were on financial aid or not on any aid, which clears bias.

The chancellor did emphasize that if he had to dip into the funds, ASUHWO would be notified of where it went for transparency's sake. With increased enrollment at UHWO, it has allowed for the school to stay open without any need of the money. There is concern that there isn't enough money already for Pell grant and unsubsidized loans, so cutting merit-based scholarships seems unacceptable.

Originally, the policy was suggested due to decrease in enrollment in order for schools to stay open. Will be meeting with financial aid group next week to gather

data on numbers school and will update ASUHWO with findings next meeting.

On the caucus level, a letter has been sent in opposition of policy to change the percentage to a dollar amount and recommended that it be reviewed on a semester basis. The policy still may go through because the community colleges need it.

ASUHWO asked for a resolution stating student support or opposition for the next meeting.

ASUHWO extended invitation for IVCSA Oliveira to attend all future meetings to continue to build relationship. Next meeting will be on December 17.

### Smoking Policy

The school needs to take on stance on if UHWO will be a smoking or nonsmoking campus. There hasn't been too many complaints concerning smoking on campus. Smoking of e-cigs have been banned in the lounge.

Ad hoc committee created to draw up a survey and talk with students and faculty on changing the smoking policy by next week: Vice President Sommer, Junior Senator Briana, Senior Senator Gowen, and Business Administration Senator Baclan.

Option 1: follow the current no smoking policy of not smoking within 20 feet of entrances, open windows, etc. Will need to provide proper signage and ashtrays of smoking areas as well

Note: currently in the definition of "smoking," it only refers to tobacco products and not vapor smokes from e-cigarettes.

Option 2: make UHWO a nonsmoking campus, which will then need to provide services for smokers that will aid in quitting smoking, which may require more space and resources.

### Reading of Minutes

1. **Motion: To approve the minutes for 14-019**
2. **Motion by:** Shane Nishimura
3. **Seconded by:** Briana Williams
4. **Resolved: Minutes for meeting 14-019 approved**
5. **Vote:** Unanimous

### Reading of Agenda

1. **Motion: To approve the agenda for 14-020**
2. **Motion by:** Ryan Sommer
3. **Seconded by:** Joyleanne Santos
4. **Resolved: Agenda for meeting 14-020 approved**
5. **Vote:** Unanimous

### Internal Reports

1. Secretary  
Still need to talk to facilities on the coffee cart initiative, where a trial run has been decided for Spring 2015.

2. Treasurer

Possible hours for coffee cart Spring trial: have it Monday and Tuesday in the beginning of the week or Monday through Thursday for one week and see what times have the most traffic. Information of the coffee cart needs to be communicated clearly to campus through email blasts and more so people don't just notice it.

3. Advisors

Student Life Coordinator

Office supplies requested and was ordered on November 10.

4. Activities

Room for caucus meeting is reserved. There will be further meetings with the Student Caucus ambassador and SLC Velasco.

5. Senior Class

Communication staff relayed that overflow parking will be closed at 5 pm to put up lighting.

6. Junior Class

Blue boxes are up and running but is inquiring on who will be doing checks on them. Also, it is a long process when hitting the blue security button, so a 311 system may be put in place that takes non-emergency calls versus a 911 system that will immediately connect with security once the button is hit. Our security does not have enough personnel, which accounts for students complaining about the lack of visibility. Will be working on a solution to make security more visible.

Concerns about the overflow parking have been expressed. There's no lighting, so obstacles are hard to see and no real direction. There have been incidents of students almost colliding, getting tires popped, and getting stuck on the mulch.

Security classes may soon be implemented to help people feel assured that they can go to classes and protect themselves in address to the issue of not enough visible security at night.

The Steven initiative to create a bundle of school supplies and donate it to schools to give to students in need is not moving forward due to lack of interest and a similar program in place already. An alliance will be made however for clubs to participate with each other in events.

With the recent foot traffic in the office for resource or interviews with ASUHWO, compliments and appreciation have been given on the resourceful and responsiveness of ASUHWO.

7. Business Administration

Drafted up a resolution for the business rental attire initiative and will now work on bills. Still needs to meet up with No'eau center on the subject. Next step is to email blast faculty on what is needed. Will send it to SLC Velasco to send it out. As for storage, it should be held in office and a means needs to be figured out for storage to look and work functionally. Also, it may increase foot traffic in office.

Will be in New York from December 15<sup>th</sup> to January.

8. Social Sciences

Bookstore supports Texts.com initiative because it covers a time period when the bookstore isn't doing buy backs, so it saves time of the students. Membership has been growing.

Has been working on the hale. Other members of ASUHWO should come to work and learn about building it as well.

8. Ambassadors

Student Caucus Ambassador Perry

Next Caucus meeting will be on December 13.

9. Specialized Committees

Communication Committee

Prepped for WASC

**Unfinished Business**

1. Ho'opilihou Presentation

Senate should have something prepared for presentations to be done at Ho'opilihou by next meeting. Concerning earlier discussion on amenities of dorms, linens will be provided.

**Motion: To approve the six applicants for the Ho'opilihou Leadership conference: Lea Marie Transfiguracion, Rebecca Carino, Maika'i Kim, Laura McDowell, Rashad Hicks, Julian Torees**

**Motion by:** Brieana Williams

**Seconded by:** Micah Gowen

**Resolved: approved**

**Vote:** Unanimous

2. UHWO Caucus Hosting

Refer to Activities committee report.

**New Business**

1. Resolution SR14-07 (Special Order)

**Motion: To approve Senate Resolution 14-07 Special Order**

**Motion by:** Shane Nishimura

**Seconded by:** Ryan Sommer

**Resolved: Resolution SR-14-07 Special Order approved with the following amendments**

a) All mentions of "Vice Chancellor" change to "interim Vice Chancellor"

b) Add an "s" to "experience" in the phrase "myriad experience"

c) Fix Hawaiian orthography

**Vote:** Unanimous

2. Resolution SR14-08 (Special Order)

**Motion: To approve Senate Resolution 14-08 Special Order**

**Motion by:** Shane Nishimura

**Seconded by:** Isaiah Baclaan

**Resolved: Resolution SR-14-08 Special Order approved with the following amendments**

- a) Send resolution to Chancellor Hokoana
- b) Fix Hawaiian orthography

**Vote:** Unanimous

**Announcements and Open Forum**

- 1. N/A

**Meeting Adjournment at 5:06 pm**

Motioned by: Shane Nishimura

Seconded by: Ryan Sommer

## Voting Record

Voting Record for General Meeting 14-020, Approval of Agenda and Minutes: To Approve the Minutes for GM 14-019				
Name	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Vote by Proxy(?)
Ryan Sommer	X			NA
Joyleanne Santos	x			NA
Shane Nishimura	x			NA
Micah Gowen	X			NA
Brieana Williams	x			NA
Isaiah Baclaan	X			NA
Eric Kang	x			NA

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Ryan Sommer	X			NA
Joyleanne Santos	x			NA
Shane Nishimura	x			NA
Micah Gowen	X			NA
Brieana Williams	x			NA
Eric Kang	x			NA
Isaiah Baclaan	x			NA

Voting Record for General Meeting 14-020, Old Business: Ho'opilihou Presentation				
Name	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Vote by Proxy(?)
Ryan Sommer	X			NA
Joyleanne Santos	x			NA
Shane Nishimura	x			NA
Micah Gowen	X			NA
Brieana Williams	x			NA
Isaiah Baclaan	X			NA
Eric Kang	x			NA

Voting Record for General Meeting 14-020, New Business: To Approve Resolution SR 14-07 (Special Order) with Amendments				
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Ryan Sommer	X			NA
Joyleanne Santos	x			NA
Shane Nishimura	x			NA
Micah Gowen	X			NA
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Brieana Williams	x			NA
Eric Kang	x			NA
Isaiah Baclaan	x			NA