



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

ASUHWOW General Senate Meeting 14-021 called to order at 3:41 pm on December 17, 2014.

Members Present

President Courtney Ketzenberger
Vice President Ryan Sommer
Treasurer Shane Nishimura
Junior Class Senator Brieana Williams
Social Sciences Senator Isaiah Baclaan
Student Caucus Ambassador Sara Perry
Student Life Coordinator Rouel Velasco

Members not present

Secretary Joyleanne Santos – tardy/4:07 pm
Senior Class Senator Micah Gowen – excused
Business Administration Senator Eric Kang - excused

Guests

N/A

Quorum

Yes

Open Forum Guest

1. SLC Velasco spoke with Interim VCSA Oliveira who could not attend the meeting about the smoking policy and how it has not gotten much further than current efforts to draft a survey and gather information due to the fact that many students are focusing on finals.

Reading of Minutes

1. **Motion: To approve the minutes for 14-020**
2. **Motion by:** Ryan Sommer
3. **Seconded by:** Shane Nishimura
4. **Resolved: Minutes for meeting 14-020 approved**
5. **Vote:** Unanimous

Reading of Agenda

1. **Motion: To approve the agenda for 14-021**
2. **Motion by:** Shane Nishimura
3. **Seconded by:** Brieana Williams
4. **Resolved: Agenda for meeting 14-021 with approved amendments**
 - a. Correct the spelling agenda item 7.1 by adding a “u” at the end of “Ho’opiliho.”
 - b. Add Spring meeting dates to New Business.
5. **Vote:** Unanimous

Internal Reports

1. President

Rescheduling meeting with VCSA. If there are any concerns that want to be brought up, please express it in email when available to.

2. Vice President

Concurrent transcript initiative: tentative title is Student Engagement transcript. Putting together presentation and literature to show the director of Admissions to get the ball rolling. Frequently asked questions and the process of acquiring a transcript has been drawn up. Has also emailed the schools present at the ASGA conference to see if they have a similar program in place. Will need to double check with IT on possible software to run the program. Also, the categories to be included in the transcript are intermural athletics, art and culture, campus and civic engagement, clubs and organizational involvement, personal career enrichment, and service learning. Will be working with Michael Hayes for the service learning aspect.

3. Treasurer

Have been working on coffee cart initiative with Secretary Santos to get it up and running next semester.

4. Advisors

Student Life Coordinator

Emailed the students approved to attend Ho'opilihou informing them about pre-conference activities, such as service learning. An affirmation by the ASUHWO is needed concerning the expectations of the approved students to inform them that they are able to participate in these activities taking place the day before the actual conference. January 2nd is the deadline for workshop proposals.

5. Activities

Spoke to Kay about turning in the second half of the swag order to the bookstore for the Welcome Back event in Spring 2015.

6. Junior Class

Working on creating a more efficient and organized way to uphold the office.

8. Ambassadors

Student Caucus Ambassador Perry

Caucus passed a resolution to restructure the Board of Regents to reserve the two at-large position for a student and a faculty member. Such restructuring may affect those currently in the positions of the two at-large regents. Will be meeting with Representative Choy and Representative Ichiyama to discuss editing the bill to restructure.

Working on student tax travel. This is when students travel and are taxed, which is then taken out of their financial aid because it is seen as income. Trying to make CSO students who travel for leadership experiences exempt and not be held liable for the school paying for travel. Students who travel for sports are exempt, and so Caucus is focusing on CSOs and then onto clubs and RISOs. If students are held liable for travel in their financial aid amount and have

questions, they can refer to Ken Lum's online policy frequently asked questions.

Unfinished Business

1. Ho'opilihou Presentations

Signature Activities presentation: PowerPoint done, proposal submitted, and outline drafted. Presentations will be 75 minutes long. Will be incorporating Midwest academy model as a tool for other schools to build on initiatives. Will be creating connector cards to pass out as well. Making a Budget presentation: working on incorporation of activities and information: possibly a worksheet to fill out, process on making a budget, the different types of budgets, and problems that may arise. Terrible Turnover presentation: working on putting a PowerPoint together and gathered the handouts from the thumb drive.

2. UHWO Caucus Hosting

Ongoing communication with Caucus Ambassador Perry and Lyn. Need to write a bill for food to be purchased at the event on top of Caucus allotting \$500 for the event. Last year, ASUHWO did go over the \$500 allotment. Will need help with setting up and will be a mandatory Senate event.

New Business

1. Resolution Addressing Restructuring of Merit-Based Aid Policy EP6.204

For first reading. Authored by Caucus Ambassador Perry and introduced by Junior Class Senator Williams. Provided in resolution are references to Caucus letter on the subject and an email from UH President David Lassner regarding edit from council of Chancellors. Explains the purpose of the policy, Caucus' perspective, and a disclosure from Chancellor Freitas that the funds given, if permitted, will be up to the students on how it is used. The possibility of email blasting the resolution to the students was also discussed

Side note concerning email blast for smoking policy survey: there are currently three drafts of the survey and it has been expressed to also include not just if the students support smoking on campus – yes or no – but their feelings on second hand smoke and if they were even aware of the policy in the first place. The survey will should also include faculty input. Brevity of the survey will be taken into consideration, but since this policy change affects the whole the campus, important information will be need to be disclosed that may add to length.

2. Stipend Peer Review Sheets

Postponed until next meeting.

3. Spring 2015 Meeting Dates

Possible meeting days for Spring semester are either Tuesdays from 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm or Wednesdays from 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm.

Announcements and Open Forum

N/A

Meeting Adjournment at 4:37 pm

Motioned by: Ryan Sommer

Seconded by: Isaiah Baclaan

Voting Record

Voting Record for General Meeting 14-021, Approval of Agenda and Minutes: To Approve the Minutes for GM 14-020 with Amendments				
Name	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Vote by Proxy(?)
Ryan Sommer	X			NA
Joyleanne Santos	x			NA
Shane Nishimura	x			NA
Micah Gowen	X			Yes
Brieana Williams	x			NA
Isaiah Baclaan	X			NA
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