



The Associated Students of the University of Hawai'i – West O'ahu 4th Senate of Kapolei

ASUHWO General Senate Meeting 16-007 called to order at 11:07 am on October 8, 2015.

Members Present

President Ryan Sommer
Vice President Briana Williams
Secretary Joyleanne Santos
Treasurer Shane Nishimura
Senior Class Senator Jacxine Kaulili-Guzon
Distance Learning Senator Daniel Sieradzki
Social Sciences Senator Isaiah Baclaan
Junior Class Senator George Kalantzis
Student Caucus Ambassador Valentin Fletes
Student Life Coordinator Rouel Velasco

Guests

Librarian Sara Aiello
Student Angelo McDuffie
Student Haylie Culp

Quorum

Yes

Reading of Minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes for GM 16-006
Motion by: Shane Nishimura
Seconded by: George Kalantzis
Resolved: Minutes for GM 16-006 approved.
Vote: Unanimous

Reading of Agenda

Motion: To approve the agenda for GM 16-007
Motion by: Isaiah Baclaan
Seconded by: Briana Williams

Resolved: Agenda for GM 16-007 approved.
Vote: Unanimous

Internal Reports

1. President

Met with the Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs who shared that the Tokai University has been working with Student Affairs to resolve issues of Tokai students participating in UHWO events but not paying the fees. Originally, they did pay all fees except the publication fee and student government fee, so fees including the transportation fee and excluding the previously mentioned fees will go into effect. Professor Landgraf reached out and showed interest in getting faculty support for the daycare initiative and coffee cart initiative. During the Faculty Senate meeting, Vice Chancellors of Academic Affairs did bring up moving concentrations to majors in order to greatly impact the retention of students. Currently there is a difference in courses when it comes to what is required for concentrations versus majors. Jaquelyn Honda is the chair of such committee. Reached out to the Vice President for Academic Technology on the system level and the Director of Academic Technology because a student majoring in cyber security had a hard time looking for an internship. The VPAT and DAT expressed that they are looking for interns and recommendations, so spread the word to students looking to get into Informational Technology. The President at Caucus talked about a new initiative where they are trying to do open source text books for general education classes. Leeward has already done it for 15 professors which covers 59 classes. Manoa has done it for the Physics classes for non-science majors. Looking to have open source text books for general education classes within the next couple of years.

2. Vice President

The Senate was asked by the VCSA to provide input regarding the Student Enrollment and Assessment Committee, in which there are four sub-committees: Financial Aid, Courses, Identifying Barriers to Student Success, and Distance Learning. If not able to sit in on committees, then is encouraged to write resolution in regards to student opinion. Talked about the student code of conduct and how it can be enforced. The VCSA have also talked with the Tokai students about the options she had given them concerning their participation here in campus. Has also be keeping up with sign-in sheets and inventory as well as helping to start some clubs here on campus like Disaster CERT. Has been working with the Veterans committee too.

3. Secretary

Has been updating social media on Facebook and Instagram, as well as the website. There was also a concern about who was in charge of the maintenance of the microwave down stairs in the dining hall which is being looked into. The one in the student lounge however was confirmed to have been donated by the Senate.

4. Treasurer

Budget is posted. Please forward any transactions or receipts if there are purchases being made. There was a concern from students about why not doing the Munchies truck again since the amount of students eating on campus has

gone up, especially with the opening of Tokai. As was revealed, the chancellor does not want food trucks on campus. Also, the school had to charge the Munchies truck to be on campus due to the ethics code, so it was not beneficial to them to provide their services on campus due to the low student body population at the time to sustain their presence, and thus pulled out. Will be reconvening with the coffee cart initiative soon.

5. Advisors

a. Student Life Coordinator

Has been planning Fall Fest which runs from November 16 to 20. The focus relates to International Week. Next meeting is on Tuesday from 2 to 3 pm in D235. The whole campus for a month is fundraising for Aloha United Way by having a penny drive competition amongst all divisions including students. Adding pennies to each pot is good, but dollars are bad and minus from the total of each pot. Student Life's pot is housed in the Student Lounge. The benefits go to non-profit organizations that involve youth, disadvantaged youth, and senior citizens. The winning division gets a pizza party.

6. Standing Committee Reports

a. Activities Committee

ASUHWO volunteered with set up and break down at Fall Fest. Need to look into if the Senate wants to have a booth for Fall Fest. Working on Caucus planning.

11. Senators Reports

a. Distance Learning Senator

Had a Distance Learning meeting where someone did skype in. Looking for another possible way of communicating other than skype, which provides a difference experience than attending meetings in person. Hosting an event next week to prepare for midterms. It was shared that another alternative to skype is Google Hangout which can also be used for conference calls. It has a clear people and can host more people, which is a good tool to contact other distance learning individuals.

b. Senior class

Waiting to talk with Student Life Coordinator and VCSA about mentorship initiative and how to complete it, then will share it. The person to schedule meetings with for the VCSA is Tina Cohara.

c. Junior Class

May be working with another Senate member to get podcast initiative up and running and look into how many layers of tape and departments it would have to go through. Also, next semester, since the current Treasurer is graduating in December, is thinking of filling that position. Expressed by SLC to create a write up for my waste and recycling receptacles initiative so will be drafting that soon.

d. Social sciences

Met with the Transportation committee. Working on getting meetings with Psy Chi and the Sociology club to brainstorm idea of what students in the Social Sciences division to succeed in as a whole. Creating a survey to pinpoint the

exact reasoning behind suggestions and concerns proposed, such as if the students feel more professors need to be hired in the division or want an internship that will benefit them, then there will be concrete evidence to back it up.

14. Ambassadors

a. Student Caucus Ambassador

The Director of Academic Technology of Service presented at the meeting and informed Caucus of an alternate myUH website (<https://myuh2.hawaii.edu>) that takes the user to a google form or smart phone icon driven portal. He's looking to improve that service and tie in all the campuses instead of having individual applications for the schools. Caucus also prioritized concerns for each of the campus and it appears the main concern right now is open sourcing which will be the focus of Caucus. There is no finalized meeting schedules, but Caucus will be held at UHWO on December 5. Working on submitting the right documents and taking down food allergens. On another note, working on the reestablishment of the Veterans of America here on campus. Last meeting was in 2012. Working on Transparency initiative which involves working with President Sommer to release monthly Presidential Addresses. Has applied for Bachelors of Social Work program at UHM for the Spring semester, so be on the lookout for another Caucus representative.

15. Campus Committees

a. Veteran Services

Working with the committee to improve efficiency and quality on campus. There was a Veterans Affairs Information committee meeting on September 22 and there was quite a turn out. It was about recruiting members to join and form a Student Veterans club. Those who attended were under the impression that they would get to voice their concerns and Student Caucus Ambassador Fletes saw the need for such a platform and volunteered to spearhead the club. Working on getting a mass email out to everyone who is a registered veteran, a spouse, or dependent. Will be looking into setting more meetings in order to establish the club.

b. Tobacco

Taking together a variety of faculty and administration to create a task force focused on getting student conduct back on track. Although using Tobacco itself is not part of student conduct, it does involve disobedience to authority in regards to security when parameters are set in place. There will be a push for policy to involve Maxient in the new conduct code coming out who, case by case, deals with students that are problematic to campus, academics, or both.

c. Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs

Search committee is reopened. There will be a review on October 31 and process will be completed by early December. It is being reopened due to a difference in what the parties involved were looking for as far as constituencies, faculty, staff, and administration. The pool is reopening to see if there are other opportunities that can be pursued.

d. Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs

Looking forward to receiving student input soon to move process along.

e. Transportation Committee

Transportation committee is tomorrow. It was shared that the application for the shuttle at Manoa requires \$18,000 a year which is not yet in the budget here at UHWO. Plans for the bus shelter is moving ahead.

f. Technology Committee

First meeting was cancelled and haven't received word as far as rescheduling.

g. Health Committee

Next meeting is on October 16 at 9 am in C247.

Unfinished Business

1. SB 16-02

Will be sending out a write up on my current plan for the implementation of the receptacles in the parking lot.

2. RISO Training Conference

Conference room that was in mind was checked out due to a confusion with Facilities on the type of conference ASUHWO would be hosting. Will need a write up in the meantime of what the conference will consist of.

3. Color Run

There is a lot on the Senate's plate right now so it has placed ASUHWO in a position of not being able to participate this year.

New Business

1. SR Support Doris Ching for Interim Chancellor

Able to abbreviate the school's name to "UHWO" after its first mention. Add Doris Ching to the person the resolution will be sent to in "Be It Finally Resolved." Make each administrative experience a different "Whereas" statement, while adding a "; and" after each. There needs to be an 'okina in "Oahu." Any other suggestions, please send an email to the President.

2. UHWO Caucus Meeting

The campus will be hosting the Caucus meeting on December 5. Caucus schedule itself is still tentative due to the shuffling around of dates to match BOR meetings and locations. First things first is to reserve the room for the meeting. The Senate will need to work with Student Life Coordinator Velasco for the logistics. The budget from last year will be looked over and adjusted. Need to make sure of any allergies from Caucus members before ordering food. The Senate will help setup and breakdown for the meeting. Need also power chords for members to plug in their laptops. Please think of any other amenities that may be needed like documents or presenters leading up to the day, like if the projection system is needed.

3. Election Results and Candidate Confirmation Vote

The total number of ballots cast is 32. For Freshman Class Senator, Christielove Espinosa received 55% of votes at 17 ballots and Brian Watson received 45% of

votes at 14 ballots. Haylie Culp ran unopposed and received 100% of votes at 28 ballots for Education Division Senator. Elizabeth Gustafson ran unopposed and received 100% of votes at 28 ballots for Humanities Division Senator. Jessica Yee ran unopposed and received 100% of votes at 27 ballots for Public Administration Division Senator. Shad Rosario ran unopposed and received 100% of votes at 29 ballots for Business Administration Division Senator. For Senate Speaker, Angelo McDuffie received 55% of votes at 17 ballots and Brian Watson received 45% of votes at 14 ballots.

Motion: to approve and ratify the election results for Fall of 2015

Motion by: Briana Williams

Seconded by: George Kalantzis

Resolved: Ratified Election Results for Fall of 2015 approved.

Vote: Unanimous

For those candidates who were not elected into a position, express interest to them in possibly joining a committee, becoming a caucus ambassador, or a sophomore class senator.

Announcements and Open Forum

1. There is pie to enjoy.
2. There is now article space for ASUHWO in the Hoot if ASUHWO wants to consistently provide an update on what the student government is doing.
3. There is a violence prevention task force being coordinated with the first meeting being tomorrow from 11 am to 12 am in C247. Will notify the senate ahead of time for the next meeting.
4. Student shared a suggestion to buy water fountain taps that shoot water directly into objects to conserve water.
5. Members of the Senate are welcome to a barbeque at President Sommer's house on October 24.

Meeting Adjournment at 12:15 pm

Motioned by: Isaiah Baclaan

Seconded by: Joyleanne Santos

Voting Record

Voting Record for General Meeting 16-007, Approval of Agenda and Minutes: To Approve the Minutes for GM 16-006				
Name	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Vote by Proxy (?)
Joyleanne Santos	X			NA
Jacxine Kaulili-Guzon	X			NA
Brieana Williams	x			NA
Isaiah Baclaan	X			NA
Daniel Sieradzki	x			NA
Shane Nishimura	x			NA
George Kalantzis	x			NA

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Joyleanne Santos	X			NA
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Daniel Sieradzki	X			NA
Shane Nishimura	X			NA
Isaiah Baclaan	X			NA
George Kalantzis	X			NA

Voting Record for General Meeting 16-007, Old Business: To Approve And Ratify The Election Results For Fall Of 2015				
Name	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Vote by Proxy (?)
Joyleanne Santos	X			NA
Jacxine Kaulili-Guzon	X			NA
Brieana Williams	x			NA
Shane Nishimura	X			Yes
Daniel Sieradzki	X			NA
Isaiah Baclaan	X			NA
George Kalantzis	x			NA