

UHM COE FACULTY SENATE MEETING
Friday, February 13, 2015, 12 Noon–2:00 PM
LSP 4A

Call to Order

Chair Tara O’Neill called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. on Friday, February 13, 2015, at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, College of Education, Lab School Portable 4A.

Present (22): Chair Tara O’Neill (EDCS), Co-Chair Eomai Kukahiko (EDCS), Secretary Kathy Ratliffe (EDEP), Denise Abara (OSAS), Helen Au (CRDG), Stephanie Buelow (ITE), Judy Daniels (KRS), Hugh Dunn (CRDG), David Ericson (EDEF), Linda Furuto (EDCS), Shannon Hillman (COEDSA), Jaret Leong (Fellowship Chair), Min Liu (EDEP), Chris Lucas (EDEA), Jessica Miranda (Dean’s Office), Leslie Novosel (SPED), Yukiya Oba (KRS), Seungoh Paek (LTEC), Stacey Roberts (EDEA), Carla Schmidt (SPED), Matthew Schmidt (LTEC), JoAnn Yuen (CDS).

Alternates (2): Jenaia Narte (CESA), Le Ha Phan (EDEF)

Excused (3): Mary Chang (COEDSA), Lisa Uyehara (CDS), Tory Watanabe (CESA).

Presenters: None.

Guests (2): David Moyer, Dean Donald Young.

Support (1): Richard Mizusawa.

Guest Speaker – David Moyer

David Moyer, Acting Director of the Data Governance and Analysis (DGA) Branch of the Hawai‘i State Department of Education presented and discussed the DGA new procedures for getting research approvals in Hawai‘i public schools. He presented about problems, solutions and answered questions that senators had regarding the process.

Report from the Chair

Chair O’Neill led a discussion on the Memorandum of Agreement between UHPA and various faculty senates regarding consultation protocols. The original deadline to have this was by December 2014. UHPA then came forth with a draft version after this. Chair O’Neill thanked everyone who did submit feedback on this.

Report from the Mānoa Faculty Senate

Senator Roberts reported that elections are going on. She is the liaison on the Senate Executive Committee for the Committee on Faculty Service, and they are working to get

elections going on for next year. The Senate is also keeping tabs on the budget. There is a meeting next Wednesday, February 18, 2015. She encouraged everybody to be sure to vote.

Report from the ACCFSC

Chair O'Neill reported that the ACCFSC has not met since we last met, and that they meet next week.

Report from Committees

Committee on Curriculum and Program Planning

Senator Roberts reported that forms 1 and 2 need to be in the Dean's Office a week from today, February 20, 2015.

Committee on Personnel

No report.

Committee on Budget and Facilities

Senator Novosel brought up a meeting about the FROGS and was just invited to it. There is a Google document up and their committee is bringing up what they want to do this semester. Issues include restroom accessibility, parking, etc. She encouraged anyone else to submit ideas.

Committee on Student-Faculty Relations

Senators Hillman and Lucas announced that they have a meeting today.

Committee on Diversity

Senator Yuen reported for Senator Uyehara that a guest lecturer, Dr. Signaye-Barr, is coming on February 24, 2015 at noon in the CCC. There will be light pupus but she asked to please bring your own brown bag lunch. The committee met yesterday and is already planning for next year. Senator Yuen said they want an event in the Fall and another guest lecturer in the spring. A possible event is a day at the lo'i for faculty to participate and learn about the culture. Also brought up idea about a panel regarding charter schools and how to run them.

Committee on Fellowship

Senator Leong said the Spring 2015 Congress meeting is geared towards the Congress awards for the following: Exceptional Staff Service Award, Exceptional Research Award, Innovation and Transforming Award, Leadership Service Award and Lifetime Achievement Award.

Chair O'Neill moved to have the COE Congress on May 8, 2015, with a second by Secretary Ratliffe. The motion was approved.

Committee on Governance

Senator Yuen brought up student involvement, and said there is no policy that restricts students from attending the Congress meeting.

Dean's Report

Dean Young said that the College has four Japanese delegations here at the College this week. We have hired a new Coordinator for international programs. He encouraged anyone who has questions about international scholars to contact her.

Dean Young provided a budget update by saying he went through this thoroughly with the chairs and we will be in the black going forward. He said we were told to expect level funding next year. The 3% sweep that VC made this year is permanent, so we will not get the 3% back. The 10% restriction from the Governor will not be lifted. After discussing the budget situation, he noted that the proposition going forward is that enrollment is down 3%, but tuition has gone up so there is a "delta" that will be redistributed back to colleges that generated it. Discussion is that the return will be based on three variables: 50% of return based on SSH (student semester hours), 25% based on the number of majors and 25% is based on the number of graduates.

He also reported that the College's enrollment for the Spring 2015 semester is down 100 students.

Dean Young said that restrictions put in place this Spring 2015 semester will remain in place for Fall 2015, at least until we know what our budget allocations are going to be. Restrictions include a moratorium on approvals for semester-long sabbaticals and a 3/3 workload for faculty. He also will postpone filling vacant positions.

He also discussed that everything is moving forward regarding facilities, with most waiting on City and County permits. There will be a meeting with Group 70 next week.

Dean Young has been tracking bills at the Legislature and sent Chair O'Neill links to them. He discussed several of the bills he is currently tracking.

Approval of Minutes of January 2015 Meeting

Senator Yuen moved to approve the minutes of the January 2015 meeting, seconded by Senator Novosel. With no corrections, the minutes were approved.

New Business

Vote on students at Congress meeting

Chair O'Neill began a discussion to see if students would be allowed at the Congress meeting. The definition of "Congress" in the Senate's rules was brought up, and the idea of changing the by-laws to include students was mentioned as a possibility. Senator Yuen also looked into this and there is no rule saying students are not allowed to attend. Based on the discussion and information presented, Chair O'Neill deferred this topic to the Committee on Governance to review and suggest changes to the Senate regarding having students be official members of the Congress.

Adjournment

With no further business, Chair O'Neill adjourned the meeting at 2:07 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 13, 2015 at 12:00 p.m.

Submitted by: Richard Mizusawa, COE Senate Graduate Assistant
Reviewed by: Kathy Ratliffe, COE Senate Secretary