

UHM COE FACULTY SENATE MEETING
Friday, November 14, 2014, 12 Noon–2:00 PM
LSP 4B

Call to Order

Chair Tara O’Neill called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. on Friday, November 14, 2014, at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, College of Education, Lab School Portable 4B.

Present (18): Chair Tara O’Neill (EDCS), Co-Chair Eomai Kukahiko (EDCS), Secretary Kathy Ratliffe (EDEP), Helen Au (CRDG), Stephanie Buelow (ITE), Mary Chang (COEDSA), Baoyen Cheng (EDEF), Judy Daniels (KRS), Hugh Dunn (CRDG), David Ericson (EDEF), Jaret Leong (Fellowship Chair), Min Liu (EDEP), Chris Lucas (EDEA), Jessica Miranda (Dean’s Office), Seongoh Paek (LTEC), Stacey Roberts (EDEA), Carla Schmidt (SPED), Ellen Spitler (ITE).

Alternates (1): Bill Mihalke (CDS),

Excused (5): Linda Furuto (EDCS), Leslie Novosel (SPED), Lisa Uyehara (CDS), JoAnn Yuen (CDS), Shannon Hillman (COEDSA).

Presenters: None.

Guests (1): Dean Donald Young.

Support (0): None.

Approval of Minutes of October 2014 Meeting

Senator Roberts moved to approve the minutes of the October 2014 meeting, seconded by Senator Daniels. With no corrections, the minutes were approved.

Report from the Chair

Chair O’Neill announced that Dean Young will be at the meeting today at 12:30 p.m. and gave out door prizes.

Chair O’Neill presented an update from the Legislative Relations Committee. The “Back to School Night” will be held either the second or third week of January 2015. It will be a community event including legislators, alumni, grant awardees, and family members. It is anchored around the NCATE celebration. The legislators will be picked up at the State Capitol and Room 107 in Building 1 will be used to have a media presentation, created by the College. There will also be activities happening in the Multipurpose Building, including a poster session that will include information on what we want the legislators to know. There will be tents and food and this will run from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. This will also need to include COEDSA. The media is invited and a press release will be created. Everyone is encouraged to invite legislators,

including the Governor who will be invited. Alternate Senator Nguyen will contact the marching band. The committee will meet again on November 24, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

Report from the ACCFSC

Co-Chair Kukahiko brought up the Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) between UHM and UHPA, and discussed at what point does faculty governance and UHPA regulation begin. One issue brought up was the proposed smoking ban on campus. This will be discussed next Friday, November 21, 2014.

A new ad hoc committee called the Native Hawaiian Advisory Committee. Co-Chair Kukahiko suggested that a parallel committee be formed in the COE Senate. Their goal is to increase Native Hawaiian student recruitment, increase opportunities for leadership/mentorship and provide a cultural context for resources. A talk is being planned for January (Hoa Ainahou) specific to respecting and caring for the land and Hawai'i in general. This will be in conjunction with a talk by Morris Lai – he wants to open his “Lai berry” (a collection of texts related to Native Hawaiians) to students and faculty. The group wants to use more Hawai'i resources for research, etc. It was also discussed about planning for a one-time speaker series around current issues related to Native Hawaiians.

Report from Committees

Committee on Curriculum and Program Planning and Mānoa Faculty Senate Report

Senator Roberts said there is no update from the committee. Regarding the Mānoa Faculty Senate, Senator Roberts brought up a discussion on the budget. There is a committee of all the Vice Chancellors to work on it. There have been meetings with the Board of Regents, including Chair Randy Moore, to have them understand more of what the MFS does at Mānoa. There is also a Mānoa Congress meeting today at 4:00 p.m.

Committee on Personnel

Senator Ratliffe announced that there were over 20 nominations for the Chancellor's Teaching Award.

Committee on Budget and Facilities

No report.

Committee on Student-Faculty Relations

Senators Chang and Lucas announced that their committee has four new members: three students and one faculty. There was a meeting yesterday with the following discussed: 1) etiquette guidelines regarding interactions between students and faculty members, 2) learning more about transparency of budget (tuition/fees), and 3) how to include students in the COE

community more (e.g., email lists, information network). There is a good emphasis on reaching out to new students, but there is less emphasis on including current students.

Committee on Diversity

Senator Uyehara brought up the Conversation with the Dean that will be held on November 21, 2014 that is sponsored by the Diversity Committee.

Committee on Fellowship

Senator Leong encouraged everyone to RSVP for the December Congress meeting. Regarding the dessert contest, there are new rules. There will be food and prizes.

Committee on Governance

No report.

Dean's Report

Dean Young said that regarding CAEP, yesterday all initial and advanced programs met accreditation with the next accreditation happening in 2021. He also brought up that he is pleased that faculty are continuing to seek funding from URC for travel, and read the list of recent awardees.

Regarding facilities, the AC renovation in Wist Hall and Everly Hall has begun and will occur between December and March. With Wist Hall, workers may need to box up stuff (the work will be on ducts only), and in Everly Hall people will need to vacate the second floor for about three weeks, and then people downstairs will need to move out. They are replacing utilities and ducts. Regarding Castle Memorial, there is a meeting on Wednesday to talk about renovations Castle Memorial Hall will be vacated in a year. CDS faculty located in 171F on lower campus have vacated already and there is a full renovation going on. There is no information on the rebuilding of the wall along Metcalf Street, and the arrival date of the FROGS.

Green days will be going on over Thanksgiving between Wednesday, November 26, 2014 through Monday morning on December 1, 2014. This will also occur during winter and spring break.

Dean Young then brought up the “conversations with the Dean” that have been going on monthly, and that they got permission to serve beverages and food. There have been two “Conversations” so far that have been very successful.

Dean Young began a conversation on anything else the Senate wanted to discuss. Chair O'Neill brought up shared governance and concerns regarding other colleges needing funds. Dean Young explained that we do not have the same problems and that we are in the black. The College's budget is down 13% from two years ago, including the 10% governor restriction. 50%

(8) of colleges were in the red. It was also announced that four new positions were approved for 2015 for the College. Over the next 18-24 months, there may be 16 people who will retire. Mānoa is down 500 students, the College is down 30, our BEd is leveled, and KRS has increased their student numbers.

The Chancellor has appointed a budget committee to look at the new allocation of funds to units, and brought up that the funds follow the students. That may not hurt us, except our two research units (about 150 employees). Currently, funds follow faculty positions. Chair O'Neill brought up "incentive structure," and Dean Young clarified that there is an increase in recruitment, and on getting people graduated quickly, which would increase allocations. He also brought up "disincentives," which would take away funds from units who do well, which is a concern. Dean Young's thoughts on COE status regarding funding: 1) we have no standing to ask for funds, 2) UH West O'ahu has priority for funds, 3) we need to work with the State Legislature, 4) support requests in funds to the Legislature, and 5) what we need are buildings, and that we likely will not get funds from UH for this. Dean Young plans to pursue other means. A discussion was held regarding our competition with UH West O'ahu.

Adjournment

With no further business, Chair O'Neill adjourned the meeting at 1:55 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Friday, January 23, 2014 at 12:00 p.m.

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Reviewed by: Kathy Ratliffe, COE Senate Secretary