



FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES

September 16, 2015

Architecture Auditorium (ARCH 205)

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

ATTENDANCE

Present (64)

ALLEN, Chizuko; ANGELO, Michael; BARGERHUFF, Mary; BHATAWADEKAR, Sai; BHATTACHARYA, Torsha; BUTLER, Marguerite; CASKEN, John; CHESNEY-LIND, Meda; CHIN, David; COFFMAN, Makena; COONEY, Robert; CROSS, Patrick; CSISZAR, Katalin; DANIEL, Marcus; ERICSON, David; FELIPE, Miguel; FLYNN, David; FRANKE, Adrian; GLAZER, Brian; GOSNELL, William; HARRIS-MCCOY, Daniel; HELLEBRAND, Eric; HERENIKO, Vilsoni; HONG, Seunghye; HUTCHISON, Elisabeth; JUN, Soojin; KAME'ELEIHIWA, Lilikala; KUHN, Jeffrey; LIM, Unhee; LUCAS, Christopher; MANINI, Bonnyjean; MASTERS, Patricia; MAYNARD, Ashley; MCKIMMY, Paul; MINATODANI, Dore; MITCHELL, Lauren; NGO, Viet; O'HARROW, Stephen; OISHI, Martin; OLIVEIRA, Katrina-Ann; OYAMA, Ian; PAULL, Robert; POISSON, Guylaine; RAI, Sarita; RICHARDSON, James; SAKAGUCHI, Ann; SANDERS, David; SCHOLLY, Kristen; SHIRAMIZU, Bruce; SIPES, Brent; SOON, Reni; SORENSEN, Christine; STEGER, Manfred; STEPHENSON, Carolyn; STEWART, Maria; SUVOROV, Ruslan; SZYMCZAK, Victoria; TSE, Alice; VALENZUELA, Hector; WARD, Cynthia; WERTHEIMER, Andrew; WITHY, Kelley; YAN, Tao; YUE, Ming-Bao

Excused (8)

ABHARI, Kaveh; BUENCONSEJO-LUM, Lee; HARRIGAN, Rosanne; ISKANDER, Madgy; JOHNSON, Shannon; THOMAS, Florence; WELLS, Jenny; XIAO, Bo

Absent (3)

DEENIK, Jonathan; NGUYEN, Hannah; TAM, Elizabeth

Guest(s)

David Ross (Math); Jonathan Dial (GSO)

1. CALL TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order by Chair Cooney at 3:01 p.m.

2. MINUTES

- May 6, 2015 Senate Minutes were approved unanimously via an iClicker vote.

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

- Chair Cooney welcomed the incoming senators.
- Congratulations to newly elected SEC members. Chair Cooney introduced all the SEC members.
- Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) Report update [\[PDE\]](#)
 - o The Longanecker Report is available on the 9/16/15 agenda. Longanecker agreed that Mānoa does need independent leadership and that it would not make sense to go back to a system where the UH President is also the Mānoa Chancellor. At the same time he recognized that duplications might need to be resolved. We hope that the question of having an independent leader of Mānoa has been resolved. President Lassner uses the Chancellor as part of his management team. That makes sense, but we all need the Mānoa Chancellor to have his own vision and execute it. President Lassner reportedly agrees that there needs to be a search for a



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- permanent chancellor for Mānoa. The MFS needs to take the lead in the recruitment process when we do have a search.
- A senator asked whether the UH President has convened a group to look at how efficiencies could be found between UHM and System.
 - Chair Cooney did not know of any group that has been convened.
 - Motion to Endorse the Reorg Proposal of the PBRC into SOEST [[PDF](#)] [[DOC](#)]
 - The re-organization proposal for PBRC into SOEST came rather late, but CAB went beyond the call of duty and investigated and approved the reorganization. There were reasons on behalf of the PBRC faculty to get the process done over the summer.
 - Motion to Endorse the UHCC Faculty Senate Resolutions [[PDF](#)]
 - The UH Cancer Center formed a faculty senate this year. They requested two things in resolutions:
 - 1. A search for a permanent director
 - 2. Independent leadership of the Cancer Center.
 - Background: When Carbone stepped down, JABSOM Dean Hedges was appointed Director of the UHCC. This was last November. Chair Cooney expressed to UHM Interim Chancellor Bley-Vroman that a temporary joint dean-director position was acceptable, but that a conflict of interest exists. A good principle to follow is that both entities that are going to reorganize need independent leadership. The chancellor has agreed to begin a search for a permanent director. He has refused to appoint a new interim director. The SEC sees this as problematic if they are going to go forward with the reorganization. We are most concerned about the process, not about the outcome that occurs.
 - Natural Sciences - Interim Dean
 - There was an appointment of an interim dean for Natural Sciences. The process had begun with the resignation of Bill Ditto. There was very little involvement by the faculty. The process was being run by the VCAA with very little faculty input in a relatively secret process. SEC contacted the chancellor, and the process was halted. Faculty needs to be intimately involved in the selection of their leader as a dean or director. The Natural Sciences faculty took over and developed a plan to evaluate candidates and make recommendations to the chancellor. Chancellor Bley-Vroman was concerned that the faculty would slow down the process, but the faculty were able to meet the deadlines. Kristin Kumashiro was approved as Interim Dean of Natural Sciences at the August BOR meeting.
 - Budget Task Force update
 - The Budget Task Force did not come out with the report promised this summer. We have been informed that the report would be out by Monday, September 21. Chair Cooney will receive it and forward it to CAB. The process we had really diluted faculty input. The four faculty on the committee may have been outnumbered by the administrators on the committee. The CAB of the MFS needs to review any budget proposals coming out of such a task force or committee.
 - A senator asked how the new committee was formed. The chair indicated the new committee is mostly administrators. It is not clear who the committee is.
 - Guest David Ross indicated that the final document that came out was the form of a model, rather than a model. The form of the model was chosen so that by tweaking a couple of parameters you could make a smooth transition to something like an RCM model. A parameter tweak could be built in later, with numbers. The structure of the model is actually different from what we have had. CAB will really need to monitor what the numbers that get attached to the model mean.



- o Committees are really important. We want to make sure that the committees are listened to and that the appropriate items for consideration are sent to the committees. The VCs will meet with respective committees as well as the SEC.

An SEC member mentioned that she is looking for faculty input as to issues. Please ask constituents to let you know of any issues, and route them to the SEC.

The chair commented that just because a faculty member serves on an administrative committee, this doesn't mean the faculty have been properly consulted. Whatever proposal the administrative committees come up with need to come back to the senate and be routed through the appropriate committee. Collectively, we can do a pretty good job.

Chair Cooney said that his view of the chairmanship is that his job here is to run the meeting. He will be here to moderate things, run the meeting, and be impartial. He will do his best to accomplish that.

A senator asked about the new VCR that will be appointed at the BOR meeting tomorrow: Was the MFS involved?

Answer: Yes, faculty including MFS members, were involved. Chair Cooney pointed out that a lot of things have changed since that time.

4. BUSINESS

- Motion to Endorse Independent Leadership for the UH Cancer Center [[PDF](#)] [[DOC](#)]

A senator asked about why the two UHCC resolutions are combined. Why is the search for a new interim director going on now while discussions are occurring about a reorganization?

A UHCC senator indicated that the reorganization seems to be occurring already, but the UHCC faculty are under a time constraint. The permanent director needs to be in place for 12 months before the NCI renewal can be submitted.

A senator from JABSOM said that the NCI external advisory committee (EAC) urged them not to have a director search because the renewal is being prepared now, and the director has to have been in place for a year before submission.

A UHCC senator said that the dean of the medical school refused to step down as interim director of the UHCC because he would have a hard time convincing the President and the BOR of it. Also, the EAC came out with the statement after the UHCC faculty asked for replacement of the interim director.

The motion was approved: 47 FOR, 6 AGAINST, 3 ABSTAIN.

5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENT

- Thanks to outgoing SEC members Ron Bontekoe, Doug Vincent, Peter Garrod, Stacey Roberts, and Duane Stevens.



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6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Senate Secretary Ashley Maynard.

Approved by the Mānoa Faculty Senate on October 21, 2015.