

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**MEETING DATE:** November 17, 2014      **1:30 pm**  
**LOCATION:** Hawaii Hall 208  
**ATTENDANCE:** [P = Present; A = Absent; E = Excused]

MEMBERS		MEMBERS		MEMBERS		GUESTS	TIME
Ron Bontekoe - Chair	P	Bob Cooney – Vice Chair	P	Doug Vincent – Secretary	P	Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Reed Dasenbrock	2:00 pm – 2:50 pm
Duane Stevens	P	Peter Garrod	P	Ashley Maynard	P	Chair of the Board of Regents Randy Moore and Regent Portnoy	3:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Stacey Roberts	P					GSO representatives Michelle Tigchelaar & Kristine Espinoza	4:00 pm
Lorna Ramiscal - Staff	P	Rebecca Fraser - Staff	P				

SUBJECT	CONTEXT	ACTION / STRATEGY / RESPONSIBLE PERSON
<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>		Meeting was called to order by Chair Bontekoe at 1:29 pm
<b>REVIEW OF MINUTES</b>	1. The minutes of November 10, 2014 SEC meeting had been circulated electronically before the meeting.	1. Motion by D. Vincent to approve the minutes as amended; second by A. Maynard. Passed unanimously.
<b>CHAIRS REPORT</b>	1. There was no Chair's report.	1. No action taken.
<b>GUEST</b>	Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Reed Dasenbrock 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm  1. Grade Replacement Policy – Dasenbrock suggests that units concerned with the proposed changes in the grade replacement policy to work with their Deans and the VCA.  2. Prior Learning Assessment (PLA). Community Colleges are now accepting credits for “prior learning” for credit and these credits can be applied	1. No action taken.  2. The SEC has already referred this issue to CAPP for consideration and potential

	<p>toward the 60 CR needed for AA degree. UHM automatically accepts students with an AA degree who wish to transfer to UHM. Concerns are raised about whether these credits will be accepted by UHM. Transferring students with PLA credits but not the AA degree, transfer credits are accepted on a case-by-case basis. Students who complete the AA degree and transfer would receive the full 60 CR, which might include PLA credits. Dasenbrock asked that a letter from the SEC be sent to the VCAA expressing the concern.</p>	<p>action for the Senate. However, in the interim, the SEC will draft a letter to VCAA Dasenbrock indicating our concern about using PLA credits as part of the 60 credits transferred.</p>
3.	<p>What is the status of Departmental Hiring of Staff within Approved College budget? VCAA Dasenbrock confirmed that approval of hiring APT, CS or other non-faculty positions reside in the units. There is no reason for the VCAA to approve these hires.</p>	<p>3. No action taken</p>
4.	<p>Graduate Student Protests re: TA layoffs. VCAA Dasenbrock had just learned about the issue regarding the potential layoffs in Spring 2015 of Natural Sciences TAs, especially those whose advisors reside outside Nat Sci. Dasenbrock indicated that <b>NO TA positions will be cut in Spring 2015.</b></p>	<p>4. No action taken.</p>
5.	<p>Update on the TIM school. The SEC asked about whether the TIM school issues with articulation with community colleges had been resolved. Dasenbrock said that Interim Dean Tom Bingham has reopened conversations with the community colleges about articulation. Progress seems to be made. Concerns by some faculty about sharing course syllabi has been resolved with new language in the CBA. Dasenbrock was asked about the proposal to move TIM into Shidler. At this point, Dasenbrock indicated that this was unlikely.</p>	<p>5. No action taken.</p>
6.	<p>Strategic Planning – Dasenbrock updated the committee on the strategic planning process toward the development of the 2015-2021 strategic plan. The committee continues to meet.</p>	<p>6. No action taken. The committee thanked VCAA Dasenbrock for meeting with the SEC.</p>

	<p>UH Board of Regents Chair Randy Moore and Regent Jeffrey Portnoy. 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm.</p> <p>1. Faculty Governance: The SEC provided perspective on faculty governance for Regents Chair Randy Moore and Regent Jeffrey Portnoy. Portnoy provided his perspective and emphasized, while he is only speaking for himself, he is a big believer of transparency, dialogue, corroboration and consultation and he welcomes opportunities to talk with anyone. He recognizes the need for the Regents and the faculty to work together. The discussion turned to the legislature and the recent budget cuts to the University. The erosion of the budget carry forwards was not a good thing and has resulted in loss of confidence of the legislature in UH. He also emphasized the need for better communication.</p> <p>GSO Representatives Michelle Tigchelaar and Kristine Espinoza (4:00 pm)</p> <p>1. GSO representatives Tigchelaar and Espinoza urged the SEC to join them in helping them draft legislation to increase the voice of students and faculty member at the UH Board of Regents. GSO wants to develop legislation for this session regarding changes to ensure that the voices of students and faculty are heard.</p>	<p>1. The SEC thanked Regents Moore and Portnoy for the conversation and hearing the faculty perspective. We hope to continue having similar conversations with other Regents.</p> <p>1. The SEC asked MFS researcher to review student and faculty participation on the regents from peer and benchmark institutions. We will continue to work with GSO to seek a greater voice, through current BOR policies, possible legislation, and/or even a constitutional amendment.</p>
<b>COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<p>1. CSA – The Committee on Student Affairs has received data from the institutional research office about the “15 to finish” program. A subcommittee of CSA is working on a motion to house a UH Manoa Alumni Affairs Office within the domain of the Vice Chancellor for Students. Such a relocation from the UH Foundation could enhance the connection between Manoa alumni and UH Manoa.</p> <p>2. CPM – The Committee on Professional Matters had met but there was nothing to report.</p>	<p>1. No action taken.</p> <p>2. No action taken.</p>

	3. CAB – A PPT has been produced for presentation at the Faculty Senate Meeting to help explain RCM budgeting.	3. No action taken.
<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>	1. No old business	1. No action taken.
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	<p>1. Request from Joe Mobley. Joe Mobley, Department of Nursing has requested 5 minutes at the Manoa Faculty Congress to discuss divesting UH investments in fossil fuel related companies. <a href="http://divestuh.org">divestuh.org</a> is their organization.</p> <p>2. Agenda for next SEC meeting</p> <p>3. Agendas for the November 19, 2014 Senate Meeting and Congress Meeting.</p>	<p>1. SEC agreed to add Professor Mobley to the Manoa Congress Agenda under Business.</p> <p>2. Agenda for the December 1, 2014 was drafted.</p> <p>3. Agendas for the November 19, 2014 Senate and Congress Meeting were completed.</p>
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	The Monday, November 24, 2014 SEC meeting has been canceled pending the Chair's discretion. The SEC will meet next on Monday, December 1, 2014 at 1:30 pm in HH 208.	Motion to adjourn made P. Garrod and seconded by S. Roberts All approved the motion. Meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Doug Vincent, SEC Secretary.

Approved unanimously on December 1, 2014.