

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Minutes

MEETING DATE March 31, 2025
 MEETING TIME 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM
 LOCATION Via Zoom

Members

Name	Role	Attendance
Edo Biagioni	Chair	Present
Marguerite Butler	Member	Present
Camaron Miyamoto	Member	Present, arrived 1:36 pm & excused 2:32 pm
Sarita Rai	SEC Sec.	Present
Brian Richardson	MFS Sec.	Present, excused 2:32 pm
Ann Sakaguchi	Vice Chair	Present
Carolyn Stephenson	Member	Present
John Kinder	Staff	Present

Guests

Name	Role	Time
Patsy Fujimoto	CAPP Chair	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Brad Taylor	GEC Chair	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Ashley Maynard	iDirector GEO	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Boyd Ready	Parliamentarian	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Michael Bruno	Provost	3:00 pm - 3:45 pm

Subject	Discussion/Information	Action / Strategy / Responsible Person
Call to Order	<p>The meeting was called to order.</p> <p><i>Senate, Congress and SEC meetings are conducted in a spirit of aloha, i.e., a brief reminder that all exchanges in the respective meeting reflect this abiding spirit of goodwill, defined by harmony, humility, and patience, as we work together, holding the well being of students at the heart of our focus.</i></p>	<p>The meeting was called to order by Chair Biagioni at 1:30 PM.</p>
Review of Minutes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The 2/10/2025 draft minutes of the Senate Executive Committee 2. The 3/3/2025 draft minutes of the Senate Executive Committee 3. The 3/10/2025 draft minutes of the Senate Executive Committee. 4. The 3/24/2024 draft minutes of the Senate Executive Committee. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minutes were approved. 2. Minutes were approved as corrected. 3. Minutes were approved as corrected. 4. Minutes were deferred until the next meeting.
Chair's Report	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 3/13 Town Hall meeting with Pres. Hensel. Many announcements at the Federal level. Impacts so far have affected about two dozen people and a dozen grants. Many questions about wording on websites – UH as a whole has no formal policy on what websites should say. 2. Provost's Council meeting was held on 3/24. Discover Mānoa will be 10 am-1pm on Saturday 11/15. Events on 3/31 include a seminar on free speech. Most of the time spent on discussion of changes at the Federal level. Simplistic keyword searches misidentified Lyon Arboretum's "seed diversity" as a diversity program. Gov Green wants UH to identify federally funded programs (800 of them at UHM) as "core", "priority", or "other" by 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For information only. 2. For information only.

<p>Thursday 3/27. While HI has some funds, it may have priorities other than UH, for example, the HI Foodbank and (if affected) Medicaid. Ultimately, federally funded institutions may not exclude people from benefits based on gender or race – it's ok to have ethnic graduations as long as all are welcome, and it's ok for private foundations to offer scholarships based on gender or race. Native Hawaiian Place of Learning will remain for now. Provost Bruno estimated that we should have more clarity on the federal funding situation by the end of April or May, except for NIH. Units should carry forward to the next fiscal year as much balance as they can, including RTRF and tuition, to cover any unexpected shortfalls in federal funding.</p> <p>3. The ACCFSC meeting was held on 3/28.</p> <p>The Hawaii Legislature may set funds aside to cover at least some of the federal shortfalls.</p> <p>Campuses that have started using Lamakū report that some faculty effort is required to move from Laulima, especially in setting up the gradebook.</p> <p>Michelle Tallquist on the presidential federal advisory committee reported that there are about 2500 federally funded jobs at UH, and even in a best case, likely 200-300 of them may be lost. Vulnerable areas include medical research, climate change research, education research, and DEI and minority research.</p> <p>The status of Mānoa General Education redesign was presented. The community colleges are considering the Mānoa proposals, and have developed a very similar alternative that requires more credits, with students taking one fewer elective. If MFS passes the current proposal in Spring 2025, the new requirements could be effective in Fall 2027, after an update to Banner needed to accommodate a new set of requirements, with the intervening time used to work out the details.</p>	<p>3. For information only.</p> <p>4. For information only.</p>
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	<p>4. Update on the 3/20 BOR meeting. The SEC chair did not attend this meeting, the BOR meeting agenda is here. President Hensel's report appears to mirror her report at the Mānoa Town Hall.</p> <p>5. Update on SEC Candidacy period March 25 through April 4 (J. Kinder)</p> <p>6. Reminder: Resolutions for the 4/16 MFS meeting are due at noon on 4/7. Final versions of all placeholder resolutions must be submitted by noon of 4/9.</p>	<p>5. As of today, we have 4 SEC candidates for 4 open seats.</p> <p>6. For information only.</p>
Action Items	<p>1. Campus Representatives meeting on April 7, 3pm-3:45pm, with Parker Executive Search, selected to assist with the search for the next UH Manoa director of Athletics.</p>	<p>1. Action taken. Chair to ask CFS and Athletics Committee members and request for volunteers to represent the Senate.</p>
Guest(s)	<p>1. CAPP Chair Patsy Fujimoto; GEC Chair Brad Taylor; GEO interim Director Ashley Maynard & Parliamentarian Boyd Ready (2:00 pm - 3:00 pm) Discuss the parliamentary process for best practices with multiple amendments on the Senate floor.</p> <p>Parliamentarian Boyd Ready stated that when presenting a resolution and amendments offered these can be handled in a timely manner. It all depends on how the chair handles the meeting and how cooperative is the body that is presented to.</p> <p>Some tools are: 1) calling the question and end debate; 2) make a motion at the beginning and set time limits; 3) if amendments are likely to take time - then indicate the time limit and vote; 4) Improvements are voted on first, and then move on to vote on the amendment.</p> <p>It is not customary practice to accept or endorse a report. In RRO one receives a report and adopts specific</p>	<p>1. action taken.</p>

<p>recommendations. Recommendations should be part of the resolution/motion.</p> <p>Recommendations on the resolution can be voted all at once if they are related. Otherwise one could take one unrelated recommendation and vote separately.</p> <p>Difference between a Resolution and a Motion. A resolution is a public statement of the faculty's action. A motion can be recorded as part of the minutes and is not public.</p> <p>The Chair must let everyone know about the consequence of the adoption of the resolution.</p> <p>Parliamentarian Ready will help with the Senate meeting.</p> <p>2. Provost Michael Bruno (3:00 pm - 3:45 pm)</p> <p>Provost Bruno is working daily to prepare for a variety of scenarios relating to the Executive Order. This week there will be an announcement on guidance on approval for certain types of spending. Manoa is in a very strong financial shape. For the foreseeable future he is confident that our work continues.</p> <p>Federal Judge removed the injunction on DEI now the agencies can ask for Certification - by the PI. The preference is to have the Dean/ORU Director and then maybe the Provost for the certification. In certain instances, it might be the VPRI and VPRS, VP for Academic Strategy and VP for Enrollment Management. At other campuses the Chancellors would certify. Across the board all universities and anyone who receives federal grants are subject to certification.</p> <p>The system website has a list of EOs - and the impact on the university.</p> <p>President Hensel and the Board Chair Lee are the two people who are able to speak on the EOs.</p>	<p>2. action taken.</p>
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<p>In terms of the Special Salary Adjustment (SSA): Accomplishments such as publications and research grants for promotion are not allowed to be used for SSA. There should be additional achievements for the SSA. A national award seems to be a bit different from publications and research grants. Provost asks that the faculty member contact him and he will look into it.</p> <p>UH is building joint collaboration with APLU (Association of Public Land-grant Universities), lawsuits with DOE etc.</p> <p>In terms of building power outages and emergencies Steve is the point person who works closely with iAVPRS Chad Walton in the Office of the VP for Research. Provost proposed that a person be designated to only work on facilities related to research issues for Manoa.</p> <p>Campus Town feasibility study - the Provost is working and is involved. Michael Shibata will provide documents. Faculty housing is included, there will be incubators. Provost Bruno was interested to know why the faculty are interested in this issue.</p> <p>The College of Education needs to be in the middle of campus. When built, it will be the nicest and largest building on campus. He indicated that every faculty member has an adequate office space. The staff, more than likely, will be in shared spaces. An additional floor was added to the new building which was a direct input from COE faculty.</p> <p>He noted that it is clear NHPL and support is totally exempt from the DEI EOs. The Dept of Interior states it and the President will fight to maintain NHPL status.</p> <p>Provost stated that he would like to meet with the SEC more often. He will follow up on the items that were discussed in the meeting.</p>	
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MFS Committee Reports	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> CAB (SR) – Next meeting is on April 1, 2025. CAPP (CS) – Meeting was held on March 27 without quorum. Discussed GenEd revision proposal, and proposals for Post-baccalaureate certificate in premedical studies, and BA in Linguistics. Next meeting April 3? CFS (MB) – Next Meeting April 14th. COA (BR) – Meeting will be held on April 3rd, 2025 (was rescheduled from March 27th, 2025). COR (CS) – Next meeting TBD. CPM (CM) – Next meeting is April 7, 2025. CSA (CM) – Next meeting is April 1, 2025. GEC (MB) – Next meeting is April 2. CEE (AS) - Meeting was held on 3/28. 144 assessment reports needed to be reviewed; all were completed except for 25 reports. About 37 reviewers evaluated four reports each. The deadline for submission of the remaining reports has been extended to 4/9. The next CEE meeting is on 4/25. An additional meeting will be held mid-April, date TBD. The Chair will circulate a survey to CEE to determine the best date and time for the extra meeting. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Information only. Information only. Information only. Information only. Information only. Information only. Information only. Information only. Information only.
Other Reports	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Pilina Support Team (BR) – Held “From Fear to Empowerment: A Student-Focused Conversation on Speech, Law, and Pilina”, featuring Lauren Robel and Camaron Miyamoto, today at 11:30am. Grad Council (CS) – Meeting was held on March 25. President Hensel answered questions. Grad Council discussed approved (with revisions to be done) 16 new 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Information only. Information only.

	FISH courses for proposed Sustainable Fisheries MS and PhD. Next meeting is April 15.	
Unfinished Business	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approved: ENGR - Request to Stop-Out Engineering Science BS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Memorandum 2. Approved: EDU (LTEC) - Extension of Stop-Out for Technologies for Teachers (TeachTech) GCert <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Memorandum 3. Approved: Memo Increase Course Fees for DNCE 221-231-321-331-421-431 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Memorandum 4. APPROVED: CNS (ICS) - Provisional Status for Graduate Certificate in Applied Computing 5. Possible Campus Improvements Survey (BR) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For information only. 2. For information only. 3. For information only. 4. For information only. 5. Deferred to the next meeting.
Business	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Question from M. Stitt-Bergh Does the Faculty Senate have a requirement that program proposals must include a letter from other UH campuses that may be impacted by a new program that UH Manoa is proposing? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Action taken and Chair to respond.
New Business	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provost Bruno to SEC's meeting pm April 7. 2. APPROVED: LAW - Termination of the Doctor of Juridical Science (SJD) program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Memorandum 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SEC decided not to cancel the April 7th meeting with Provost Bruno. 2. For information only.

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Adjournment	The next regular meeting of the Senate Executive Committee will be convened on Monday, April 7, 2025, in-person meeting. HAW 208.	Meeting was adjourned at 4:17 pm.
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Respectfully submitted by Sarita Rai, SEC Secretary.

Approved unanimously on April 14, 2025.

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