

**Faculty Senate**  
Executive Committee  
Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: June 21, 2010

Attendance:

Susan Hippensteele	X	Lilikala Kame`eleihiwa	X	David Ross	X	Chancellor Hinshaw	Greg Takayama	Others:
Martin Rayner	X	Rosanne Harrigan		Tom Hilgers	X	VCGRE Ostrander	X VCAFO Cutshaw	Peter Garrod X
Shirley Daniel		Halina Zaleski		Martha Crosby	X	VCAA Dasenbrock		
		David Duffy				VCSA Hernandez		

Subject	Discussion	Action/Strategy
<b>Call to order</b>	Meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm. SEC met first with VCGRE Ostrander and Dean of the Graduate Division Garrod.	
<b>Organizational issues</b>		
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	Delayed to later.	
<b>Chairs Report</b>	Delayed to later.	
<b>Senate Budget</b>	Delayed to later. Brief discussion of budget issues and staffing issues....	.
<b>Meeting with VCRGE Ostrander and Dean Garrod</b>	Continued discussion regarding graduate program status; Grad Division identifies issues relating to unevenness across programs but does not have authority to address; Ostrander suggested most are faculty issues and that the Senate should become more involved in addressing these aspects; Garrod brought charts reflecting the size of our current graduate programs. We discussed the need to "right size" our graduate programs noting that these programs differ markedly. Some are research oriented, others address professional practice while others are purely educational in their aims. Funding is a major limiting issue for those programs that are not supported by TAs. Stipends went up recently. However 70% of Ph.D.s see their degree as a "professional qualification" rather than as a training in research practices. Some departments seek "selected excellence" in small academic areas; other departments seek larger student numbers to support teaching/research aims. It is important that we develop better evaluation metrics: where do our students end up? Not all departments have good inventories of this kind. Strategic planning needs to evolve towards effective	SEC will discuss which committee(s) should review graduate program issues.  However, we are considering initiating a Working Group on Graduate Education. We expect this to be organized and populated very soon.

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	implementation of program goals. However degree completion rates nationally hover at around 50% for Ph.Ds whereas Manoa achieves around 54 to 58% completion.	
<b>Committee reports</b>	Loose ends in GED Office staffing need to be followed up.	Discussion with Sandy French and also with Assessment Office and GED staff.
<b>Other business</b>		
<b>Senate staffing</b>	.	
	The meeting adjourned at 5 p.m.	