EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Minutes

 MEETING DATE
 April 21, 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
Sarita Rai	SEC Sec.	Present
Brian Richardson	MFS Sec.	Present
Ann Sakaguchi	Vice Chair	Present
Carolyn Stephenson	Member	at 1:36 pm
John Kinder	Staff	Present

Guests

Name	Role	Time
Wendy Hensel	CEO	1:45 pm - 2:15 pm
Michael Bruno	Provost	Cancelled

Subject	Discussion/Information	Action / Strategy / Responsible Person
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order.	The meeting was called to order by Chair Biagioni at 1:30 PM.
Review of Minutes	1. The draft minutes of the 4/14/2024 Senate Executive Committee were circulated electronically.	1. Minutes were approved as corrected.
Chair's Report	1. Update on the 4/17 BOR meeting. President's report is available on the status of international students affected by visa revocations, the latest federal policy changes, and the financial mitigation measures UH has implemented in response. Also, a brief legislative update, including some discussion of bills of interest to UH.	1. Information only.
	2. Meeting with Provost Michael Bruno (3:00pm-3:45pm) was canceled due to participation in President Hensel's Town Hall meeting at the same time.	2. Information only.
	3. 2025-26 MFS Committee Preferences survey closed on Friday, April 18.	3. Information only.
	4. SEC elections to take place April 21-25.	4. Information only.
	5. Suggestion to end this SEC meeting by 3pm so SEC members can attend the Town Hall.	5. Information only.
	6. Parliamentarian funding update - Parliamentarian funding for the next academic year will be added to the MFS budget. First priority for the funds is for training (rather than for ad hoc consultation) such that resource materials can be reused in future years.	6. Information only.
Action Items	 CAPP submittal for the May 16 Senate agenda. Resolution Supporting the Proposal for a Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics CAPP submittal for the May 16 Senate agenda. 	 Place on the agenda for the May 16 Senate meeting. Place on the agenda for the May 16 Senate meeting. E. Biagioni

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	Approval of the Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Premedical Sciences John A. Burns School of Medicine – Department of Cell and Molecular Biology	request, CAPP Chair to replace "supporting" instead of "approval" on the title of the resolution.
Guest(s)	1. President/UHM CEO Wendy Hensel (1:45 pm - 2:13PM)	1. Information.
	Chair E. Biagioni informed the President that the April 16th Memo from VPAS D. Halbert and iVPCC D. Teraoka incorrectly implied that the MFS General Education revision team did not work collegially with faculty on other campuses.	
	President Hensel stated that there is a difference of opinion between consultation and collaboration. If General Education is not articulated across the system then she will not put forward a recommendation to the BOR that the MFS's resolution of April 16, 2025 be adopted.	
	Senator M. Butler asked what her thoughts were on the mutual defense compact among the Big 10 schools and another one organizing the Land Grant Universities.	
	UH is working with multiple agencies; higher education legal system; APLU, ACE AACU and PAHEI for collective actions. What would be the benefits of joining another organization?	
	In response to Senator M. Butler's question regarding what she had learned after she had completed her three-months listening project about the organization and functions of the system and mānoa including the Chancellor Mānoa, President Hensel stated the following:	
	There has to be more coordination across the board and system Technology procurement and training and how to use it Technology in the student success areas (campus specific approach).	

A baseline standard of care at the system level Enthusiasm for articulation across the majors - for the benefit of our students

How to collaborate on workforce development with employers to ensure that our curriculum is relevant; including research and science;

Moving forward, creating an AI task force in teaching and research.

As for the plans for a Chancellor for Mānoa, the separation of roles is very connected to the budget. It is impossible to have a separate Chancellor and a President at this moment. It is a long process, needs more inquiry and contemplation in advance. As to the timeline, she stated that a year is enough time to evaluate the need for a Chancellor.

Senator S. Rai asked about the current directive of travel review/approval to be at the DC/Dean's level and adding a 30 day lead time, President Hensel stated that the goal is cash preservation and that a higher level of authority is needed to oversee funds across campuses.

Senator ASakaguchi asked whether VP Kalbert Young provided feedback about the status of House/Senate conference committee meetings for UH-related bills, including HB 1153 for the Auxiliary Enterprises accounts.

President Hensel stated that the sweeping mechanism is for non general funds and does not involve taxes. UH did not receive an advance notice. UH has raised objections.

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MFS Committee Reports

- 1. CAB (SR) Meeting was held on April 15, 2025. CAB met today - and members ask that MFS/SEC do some push back. It seems to be adding layers of bureaucracy and delaying everything - then with the pressure of adding 30 days to process to get approval from the Provost and the MBO.
 - Why not have the DC, Dean be the final authority?
 This means that should there be a funding shortfall, the college is accountable for it
 - If grants have been stopped out then there would not be any question of moving forward - travel or hire
 - If grants are moving ahead the process of UH seeking reimbursement 6 months later is problematic - this needs to be improved and FOs need to request for reimbursements sooner than 6 months
 - TSF are generally allocated to Units so again, shouldn't the Unit DC/Director and Dean's be responsible?
 - Centralization to the MBO and the Provost is adding on layers of bureaucracy and inefficiency.

Will have the reorganization memo for the College of Education for MFS meeting on May 14. Will be sent to the SEC on Monday May 5.

Name change will have also be presented as a first reading at the MFS meeting on May 14, 2025. SEC will receive it on Monday May 5, 2025

- 2. **CAPP (CS)** Next meeting April 24.
- 3. CFS (MB) Next meeting is April 28, 2025.
- 4. **COA (BR)** Next meeting is May 1, 2025.
- 5. **COR (CS)** Next meeting TBD.
- 6. **CPM (CM)** CPM will meet to discuss EP 2.2220 relating to Artificial Intelligence. They are seeking comments from CAB and CAPP. Next meeting is May 5, 2025.
- 7. **CSA (CM)** Next meeting is May 6, 2025.
- 8. **GEC (MB)** Next meeting is April 16, 2025.

1. CAB would like to have a response.

- 2. Information only.
- 3. Information only.
- 4. Information only.
- 5. Information only.
- 6. Information only.
- 7. Information only.
- 8. Information only.

	9. CEE (AS) – Next meeting is April 25, 2025.	9. Information only.
Other Reports	1. Pilina Support Team (BR) – Next meeting is May 8, 2025.	1. Information only.
	2. Grad Council (CS) – At meeting April 15, 2025, approved MS and PhD in Sustainable Fisheries, pending revisions to be completed. Approved 33 courses toward PhD in Physical Therapy. Next meeting May 6.	2. Information only.
Unfinished Business	1. None	
Business	1. Travel & Financial Mitigation Measures FAQ	1. No action taken.
	2. Memo to President Hensel from VPAS Halbert & iVPCC on UH Manoa General Education Resolution & Vote.	2. No action taken.
	3. Update on the Possible Campus Improvements Survey (BR). The survey will conclude on April 24. As of 1:30 PM today, c 140 responses from c. 100 people.	3. No action taken.
	4. Schedule a special SEC meeting (Tuesday-Friday) to accommodate the iVPSS Kapā Oliveira to discuss the structure of the Campus Fee Committee.	4. action taken. Request meeting with IVPSS on Wed the 23rd or on the 30th of April.
	5. Senator Xiaodan Mao-Clark from Shidler contacted the Chair to volunteer to be on the SAC for the next dean of Shidler.	5. action taken. Refer/send to CFS
	6. Past practice of the SEC Chair meeting with the Provost. The Chair and sometimes the Vice Chair held joint meetings with the past chancellors outside of the regular SEC meetings and then provided updates to the other SEC members.	6. No action taken. May 5, next meeting with Michael Bruno
New Business	1. Invite Regent Tochiki before the May 12 meeting.	Senate office to invite Regent VC Tochiki.

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Adjournment		Chair E. Biagioni adjourned the meeting at 2:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Sarita Rai, SEC Secretary. Approved unanimously on April 28, 2025.