## **Senate Executive Committee Meeting Agenda: May 7**

2:30 - 5:00 pm; Hawaii Hall 208 - began 2:50 PM

In attendance: Robert Cooney, Tom Conway, Ian Pagano, Carolyn Stephenson, Bonnyjean Manini and Dick Chadwick

GUEST: VCS Hernandez (4:00 - 4:30 pm)

- A Progress re student enrollment deadline passed for applications; more applications submitted than last year, compared with west coast enrollments in general. Increase in admitted students greater than the number applying, indicating that more applications from more qualified students occurred. Now awaiting acceptance responses. So far it appears we will have the same or more coming in the Fall. Many more have said yes this year that at this time last year; acceptance rate being monitored daily. Variables affecting rate of arrivals include competition from other schools, payment schedules and so on. Retention: about 100 more than last year at this time
- A Progress re housing: Gateway House painting nearly finished. With Johnson Hall completion we'll have about 210 more beds available than last year to house students.
- A Progress on going paperless. The "one card" system is currently tied up in administrative problems ("one card" refers to using smart card technology to have one card for identification, library use, etc).
- SEC inquiry re a 2-year old policy the Senate approved an inquiry into the effect of increasing GPA requirements. Hernandez noted that the average admission GPA has actually gone up. Simulations could be run to assess what the impact would be for raising the minimum GPA requirements. Hernandez will see what information he can have assembled to address this issue. He noted that GPA is the best predictor of later success. Also, if a student is admitted with a certain GPA, the student is automatically admitted into the Honors Program. Similar arrangements are being investigated regarding admission to Business. A Chancellor's Scholarship of \$8,000 for annual tuition for top students has also been put in place. The aim is to be more attractive to higher GPA students.
- A Question arose whether specific programs have higher admission standards than the University for undeclared students.
- A Regarding the grade replacement policy, which the Senate passed this year, Hernandez said he was not aware of the policy and he'd have to look into the status of its implementation with the VCAA.
- ▲ He also noted that the May 2012 issue of Hawaii Business indicated a growing consensus that the quality of education here combined with the connections made makes getting an education here very positive. (Creamer, "Should a Hawaii High School Graduate....")
- ▲ Efforts being made to provide more housing for graduate students who require different housing configurations.
- ▲ Infrastructure renovation (about 60%), evening staff in a variety of programs, dorm floors focused on particular languages and/or issues, as well as evening library hours have made current housing more attractive (and in the future perhaps another in the Spring of 2013 with the new Campus Center). Retention of students, especially at the freshman level, has increased.

#### 1. CHAIR'S REPORT - Robert

Parking

issue, SEC will have to advance

Tour by

Doug Vincent of CTAHR site. Tues May 15<sup>th</sup> 3:30 will have a hot dog social; all but Robert, Ian, possibly Lilikala

Google migration: SOEST complaint, back migrated while they work on unanticipated problems. An SEC member noted that mail was not sent right away. Others had email just disappear. You hit reply-all and it only does a reply. Conclusion: IT people need to be more responsive. No one should be getting on the new system and having problems like this. Conclusion: do a survey: what kind of problems? Kristin will do.

Parking issue: separate survey. Decided not to do separate survey.

Summer session: 3 week classes being offered. Quality raised as an issue. Dean Chismar sent out a notice. Follow-up with VCAA; are they indeed offering 3-week, 3-credit courses? If so, what courses and why was the Senate not consulted? Understanding was that they would not offer such courses.

#### 2. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT - Kristin**

- ▲ Feedback survey Update we now have a year subscription (\$200) to Survey Monkey, can use as often as you want to as many as you want with as many questions as you want. Current survey has 40 replies to date.
- A Faculty Retirees project Senate representative o.k. Have two reps from the Faculty Retirees Association of UHM (FRAUM) to date, glad to have Senators. Robert volunteered.
- ▲ Senate Budget Update tabled. New software (Kuali) very helpful to access financial information. All fiscal officers are having in-depth training.
- ▲ Summer SEC meeting schedule and Officer election timing officer election time. May 14, 21, and either June 1 or June 4. August meeting(s) to prep for the Fall. Kristin will be away June 12-29.

### 3. MINUTES - approval of 4/23 SEC Minutes

At the 4/23 meeting, the agenda was set for the next meeting. Carolyn will write up 4/30 minutes

### 4. OLD BUSINESS

- ▲ Resolution Requesting Modification to the FY 2013-2017 Proposed Parking Rate Schedule Pdf | Word
  - Proposed Parking Rates FY2013 2017 On behalf of the SEC, Carolyn was asked to attend BOR public hearing, Bonnyjean also volunteered, to object on behalf of the SEC, to the proposed parking rate increases. The SEC voted 5:0 to support the resolution as testimony before the BOR, supported by the straw poll of 29 for: 5 opposed at the last Senate meeting (since no quorum was present it is a poll, not a vote). The bigger issue is that the parking administration is decreasing parking stalls on the upper campus; has been cut by 254 spaces. The consulting firm specifically recommended not only to reduce the number of parking spaces in upper campus, but also to increase rates for upper campus parking to reduce the demand.
  - A Rationale for Parking Permit Rate Increases
  - △ 2012 Proposed Amendments to HAR Chapter 20-12, Subchapter 1
  - ▲ BOR Notice of Public Hearing (May 23, 2012 at 10:00 am in POST Bldg 126)

- ▲ Plans, Surveys & Reviews
  - ▲ Campus Transportation Demand Management Plan (1/2012; Nelson Nygaard) [See AP 4 on Page 32; AP6 on Page 33; Figure A7 on Page 97]
  - ▲ Parking Structure Condition Survey
  - ▲ Parking Operations Program Review (7/2010)
- - △ Parking Stall Counts (as of 3/22/12)
  - △ Parking Rates: 2006-2017 (as of 3/22/12)
  - ▲ Budget Projection: 2006-2017 (as of 3/22/12)
  - ▲ Faculty, Staff and Student Permit Sales
  - ▲ Alternative Transportation Initiatives Schedule
- ▲ Issues
  - ▲ Misc. Issues
  - △ Carryover Issues to 2012-13
  - ▲ Summer Issues
    - New Executive Policy E5:229 Whistle-blower and Retaliation Policy for allegations of research and scholarly misconduct (CAB) − CAB meeting next Wednesday
    - ▲ Faculty Housing (CAB) CAB will try to iron out the housing policy but there is disagreement both within CAB and the Faculty Housing Tenants Association (FHTA). Issues such as whether to use salaries to decide on who should be admitted, whether to add retention as a policy goal. Hawaii House of Representatives Concurrent Resolution 104 recently passed to forbid faculty housing to be built on current CTAHR grounds. Bylaws change for Senate and Congress (CAB)
    - ▲ Proposal for a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology (CAPP) approved unanimously by CAPP, BA 2.0, BS 2.5 min. GPA requirement for graduation. CAPP minutes sent to SEC. SEC voted 5:0, approving CAPP recommendation to approve the proposed BS degree.
    - △ Office of Student Affairs Course Subject Code (CAPP) put on agenda for next year.

#### 5. NEW BUSINESS

- △ Open Access Policy (effective Fall 2012)
  - ▲ Resolution on UHM Open Access Policy (12/08/2010) CORGE brought forward the original resolution. Library will be informing faculty on new policy and its implementation. Robert will look the proposed policy over to verify its consistency with Senate 2010 resolution.
- ▲ <u>CORGE Memo to SEC re: high school math requirements</u> (4/11/2012) put on issues list to decide which committee(s) to which it should be referred; after some discussion, Letter suggested sending to CAPP and GEC. Robert suggests to also refer it to CSA.
- ▲ APPA Facilities Management Report put on agenda for Fall Senate.
- A Request for moratorium on G-Mail transition
- ▲ Committee Staffing CFS: note that bylaws require that all standing committees must have 9 faculty members, 5 of whom must be Senators, while the remainder must be faculty. Permanent committees have no rules of membership other than they are composed of faculty. By June 1<sup>st</sup>, it was agreed that all standing committees must have a minimum of 5 Senators. Bonnyjean and Kristin will meet Wednesday with CFS to go through recommendations for appointments to committees for the Fall.
- 6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS** deferred

# 7. **ADJOURNMENT** – 6:01 pm