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FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES

May 8, 2024

Online via Zoom

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Present:

AHMAD, Amjad; **BAKER**, Kaliko; **BATENI**, Sayed; **BIAGIONI**, Edo; **BLACKABY**, Dan; **BUTLER**, Marguerite; **CENTEIO**, Erin; **CHEN**, Roger; **CONNOLLY**, Kathleen; **COOK**, Sara; **DOI**, Saori; **EVERSOLE**, Dolan; **FARRAH**, Duncan; **FERGUSON**, Kathy; **FINCHAM**, Naiyi; **FLYNN**, David; **FOUKONA**, Joseph; **FRANCIS**, Oceana; **FREITAS**, Konika; **FUJIMOTO**, Patsy; **FULTON**, Lori; **HIGA**, Jason Kenji; **GAL**, Roy; **GRISWOLD**, Jennifer; **GRONEWOLD**, Nate; **JULIEN-CHINN**, Francie; **KHADDOUNA**, Alexander; **KIM**, Albert; **KOSTETSKAYA**, Anastasia; **KREIF**, Theresa; **KUWAHARA**, Rheta; **LEE**, Kelly; **LORENZO-ELARCO**, Kenika; **MAGNIER**, Gene; **MARICIC**, Jelena; **MARSHALL**, Sarah; **MAYNARD**, Ashley; **MEDINA**, Richard; **MIYAMOTO**, Camaron; **O'ROURKE**, Laura; **ORTEGA**, Nadine; **PAULL**, Robert; **PEARSON**, Tom; **PETERSON**, Eric; **PHILIPPOFF**, Joanna; **PORT**, Dan; **POST**, Sarah; **RAI**, Sarita; **RAPHAEL**, Raphael; **RAPPE**, Michael; **REEMELIN**, Spencer; **RETTENMEIER**, Christoph; **RICHARDSON**, Brian; **RODRIGUEZ**, Beatriz; **ROWNTREE**, David; **SARANILLIO**, Dean; **SCHIMMEL**, Scott; **SEIDEL**, Peter-Michael; **SAKAGUCHI**, Ann; **SALZER**, Ku'uilei; **SIEGMAN**, William; **SIPES**, Brent; **STEPHENSON**, Carolyn; **TAYLOR**, Brad; **WERTHEIMER**, Andrew; **WITHY**, Kelley; **WOODRUFF**, Rosemarie; **WU**, Lang; **YAMADA**, Paulette; and **YAP**, Allison.

Excused:

BUSCH, Gerry; **GLAUBERMAN**, Gary; **LENTZ**, Rachel; **JOHANSON**, Morgen; **MISHRA**, Birendra; **PALMER**, Wesley; **POTEMRA**, Jim; **THORNE**, Mark; **UYEHARA**, Lisa; **WALLSGROVE**, Richard; and **WANG**, Liang.

Absent: None

Guests:

ANGELOS, Craig; **BEAULE**, Christine; **HALAGAO**, Patricia; **LUKEY**, Benjamin; **MAEDA**, Julienne; **MAKAIAU**, Amber; **ORNELLES**, Cecily; **SAFFERY**, Maya; and **SINNETT**, Scott.

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1. CALL TO ORDER

- o Welcome and brief introductions.
 - o The meeting begins with quorum at 45 members, allowing the meeting to officially proceed.
 - o Outgoing Chair Erin Centeio outlines the meeting protocol, mentioning they will follow Robert's Rules of Order.

2. MINUTES

- o Draft March 13, 2024 Senate Minutes
Postponed until the next Senate meeting in September.
- o [Draft April 17, 2024 Senate Minutes](#)

Motion to Approve April 17th Minutes as Amended:

- o Motion: Senator Rai moves to approve.
- o Second: Senator Maynard seconds the motion.
- o Result: No objections; the minutes are approved by unanimous consent.

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

- o Aloha & Farewell to our senators
 - o She welcomes and thanks newly elected Senators SEC members.
- o **Legislative Update**
Sen Centeio discusses the university's budget situation, emphasizing that the budget isn't what the administration hoped for due to emergency funds for Maui fires and the carryover budget from the previous governor. They remain optimistic despite these challenges.
- o **Graduate Students Unionization**
Graduate students' efforts to unionize had momentum but ultimately died in committee, and they will not be moving forward this session.
- o **Board of Regents Meeting**
On May 16th, where the presidential search criteria will likely be reviewed. Faculty are



encouraged to attend or provide testimony.

o **Committee Work and Vacancies**

The Senate Executive Committee (SEC) met 33 times during the year, handling issues like micro-credentials, General Ed policies, and research space allocation. Typically met twice monthly with President and Provost. There are Senate vacancies that will be addressed in special elections in the fall.

o **Attendance Data**

A graph of attendance from 2016 to 2024 shows a significant increase in attendance during Zoom-based meetings (post-COVID), though discussions continue about the advantages of in-person versus virtual meetings or possibility of hybrid meetings.

o **Final Thank Yous**

Sen Centeio notes that this is her last meeting as chair.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

o MĀNOA FACULTY SENATE AND CONGRESS TO UPDATE BYLAWS (Second Reading)

Committee on Administration and Budget (CAB)

Presenter: Sarita Rai, CAB Chair

Supporting documents:

- [Bylaws \(Redline, April 17, 2024\)](#)
- [Proposed Amendment to Amendment May 8, 2024](#)

Amendments to Bylaws and Charter

Review of First Four Proposed Amendments

Centeio reviews the first four amendments already discussed at a previous meeting:

- o **Amendment 1:** Faculty classifications are adjusted with the addition of "H".
- o **Amendment 2:** Relates to the minimum membership for standing committees.
- o **Amendment 3:** The final 11 words of a sentence are struck (pg 10).
- o **Amendment 4:** Concerns continuing committees, approved as presented (pg 13).

Fifth Proposed Amendment (Article 1, Section 8) (pg 19)

Motion to Amend Article 1, Section 8 of the Charter:

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- Motion: Senator Rai proposes to amend Article 1, Section 8 to make the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) responsible for conducting votes within 10 days after the Congress meeting, instead of the Committee on Faculty Service (CFS).
- Second: Not applicable (committee motion).
- Result (Vote on Amendment to the Amendment by CAB): Approved unanimously with 59 votes.
- Motion to Approve Amended Amendment:
 - Second: Senator Maynard.
 - Result: Approved unanimously with 53 votes.

BUSINESS

- MĀNOA FACULTY SENATE AND CONGRESS TO UPDATE CHARTER (First Reading)
Committee on Administration and Budget (CAB)
Presenter: Sarita Rai, CAB Chair
Supporting documents:

[Charter \(Redline\)](#)

Motion to Amend Article 1, Section 8:

- Motion: Senator Rai shares intent to amend Article 1, Section 8 to make the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) responsible for conducting votes within 10 days after the Congress meeting, instead of the Committee on Faculty Service (CFS).
- Second: Not applicable (committee motion).
- Result (Vote on Amendment to the Amendment): Approved unanimously with 53 votes.
- [Resolution to Approve the New Graduate Certificate in Philosophy for Children Hawai'i](#)
Recommendation from the Graduate Council
Presenter: Carolyn Stephenson, SEC Representative to Grad Council
Supporting document:

Approval of New Graduate Certificate in Philosophy for Children Hawaii

Senator Carolyn Stephenson presents the proposal for a Graduate Certificate in Philosophy for Children Hawaii, emphasizing the program's long-standing impact in Hawaii's public schools and its regional/global recognition.



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- Motion: Senator Stephenson moves to approve the proposal.
 - Discussion: Okina added; procedural discussion re impact of abstaining.
 - Vote Result: Approved unanimously with 57 votes in favor.
- [Resolution Regarding the General Education Curriculum at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa](#)
Committee on Academic Policy and Planning (CAPP) and the General Education Committee (GEC)
Presenter: Ashley Maynard, CAPP Chair
 Supporting documents:
- [The CAPP Report](#)
 - [CAPP Report Presentation Slides](#)
 - [GenEd Revisions Handout - April 2024](#) (New)
 - [Analysis of Faculty Comments on the General Education Baseline Proposal](#)
 - [Department and Group Responses to the Baseline Proposal](#)
 - [CAB Response to the Baseline Proposal](#)
 - [GEC Response to the Baseline Proposal](#)
- In bringing this joint resolution from CAPP and GEC, Sen Maynard thanks all of those who have done extraordinary effort in the process of proposing changes, especially the GEC and GEO.
- She notes the positive communication and collaboration leaving them well prepared for fall.
- Resolution is not exhaustive but provides summary of efforts that include completed study of Gen Ed curriculum that was subject to multiple rounds of feedback.
- Proposals developed based on that study were discussed including in 6 effective small group community meetings.
- From this emerged consensus on what to maintain and on revisions:
- Resolution proposes to reorganize the General Education curriculum into three more intuitive main categories: competencies/skills, fields of study, and language requirements.
 - Retains broad exposure to liberal arts and sciences, while reflecting institutional values, including Native Hawaiian place of learning; also retaining Hawaiian and second language learning and present hour credit requirements.
 - Process will be a collaborative, iterative one based on larger campus community discussion.

Motion: Moved by GEC and CAP committees.

Vote Result: Approved, with 57 in favor and 2 opposed.

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○ [Resolution Opposing Proposed Changes to RP 5.213 Regarding General Education](#)

Committees on Academic Policy and Planning (CAPP) and Administration & Budget (CAB)

Presenter: Ashley Maynard, CAPP Chair

- Sen Maynard introduces a resolution opposing proposed changes to Regents Policy 5.213.
- The proposed changes would diminish faculty control over the general education curriculum, shifting authority to the Board of Regents in ways that are impractical and impact faculty shared governance; proposes keeping things as is.

Motion: Previously moved by CAP and CAB committees.

Vote Result: Approved, with 56 in favor and 1 opposed.

○ [CAPP Report on the Issues of Microcredentials](#)

Committee on Academic Policy and Planning (CAPP)

Presenter: Brent Sipes, CAPP member

- Senator Sipes provides a detailed presentation on the potential introduction of micro-credentials at UH Manoa. He explains how micro-credentials offer smaller, focused courses (often represented as digital badges) that can be stackable and may eventually count toward larger credentials.
- Concerns Raised include:
 - The faculty's role in creating micro-credentials.
 - The risk of micro-credentials undermining traditional curriculum.
 - The potential workload for faculty and the financial impact.
- Discussion: Faculty members voice concerns about the evaluation of micro-credentials, their transferability, & how they will fit into existing system.

○ ***GUEST SPEAKER:***

1. **UHM Athletic Director Craig Angelos (4:40 pm)**
Discussion topic: Annual Report on UHM Athletics

Craig Angelos, UH's Athletic Director, gives an overview of the athletic department:

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- **21 Sports Teams:** UH has 21 sports teams and won 6 conference championships this year. Highlights include:
 - Men's Volleyball: Two national championships in the last four years.
 - Women's Basketball and Women's Volleyball: Both teams have been very successful.
 - Water Polo: Currently ranked #2 in the country.
- **Challenges:**
 - Football: The team is rebuilding under Coach Timmy Chang. Issues with Aloha Stadium forced the university to build a temporary 15,000-seat stadium.
 - Travel: The logistics & costs of travel for UH sports teams are challenging because there are no local competitors.
 - Budget: The annual budget is appx \$53 million, with a constant need to raise money to cover rising costs. While UH receives \$7.2 million from the state legislature, the rest is raised through ticket sales, corporate sponsors, fundraising, & a \$3 million television deal with Spectrum.
- **Name, Image, Likeness (NIL) Issue:**
 Angelos explains how the NIL rule has changed college sports. What started as a way for athletes to profit from their name, image, and likeness has turned into a form of pay-for-play, with athletes at wealthier schools earning seven-figure sums. This has created significant challenges for smaller programs like UH, which struggle to retain top athletes in an unregulated environment.
- **Title IX Compliance**
 - **Women's Track Team:** There were concerns raised about the displacement of the women's track team due to the temporary football stadium. Angelos outlines steps being taken to address this, including the construction of a new track and soccer stadium that will be ready between October and January.
 - He also explains that issues like uniform shortages and locker room problems have been resolved, and the athletic department continues to work on gender equity.
 - A full Title IX report will be presented to the Board of Regents on June 6th.
- **Invitations to Games:**
 Angelos invites all Senate members to attend upcoming games, offering to provide tickets for faculty and their families.

6. NEW BUSINESS



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New Business: Resolution on Aloha Spirit

Supporting Document: [*Resolution on Aloha Spirit*](#)

- o Sen Raphael introduces a resolution proposing future Senate/SEC meetings begin with a very brief reminder that they are operated in the spirit of Aloha, affirming the body's connection and shared ultimate interest in student well-being.
- o This is proposed as a proactive measure to codify and maintain positive discourse into future Senate meetings.
- o This simple gesture is not prescriptive and reflects the prerogative the chair always maintains, as Chair Centeio demonstrated in beginning this meeting.
- o It aligns with Senators Baker and Safri's emphasis on reflecting the university's identity as a Native Hawaiian place of learning throughout its activities, while subtly reaffirming the spirit of Aloha—a core value that shapes life in Hawaii—each time we meet.
- o **Proposed Amendment:**
Senator Maynard proposed a slight text modification to explicitly acknowledge the Senate bodies' connection to one another. This may be addressed in future voting when the resolution is discussed.
- o **Motion to Add the Resolution to next Agenda:**
Sen Raphael moved to add the resolution to the next meeting's agenda.
Second: Sen Brian Richardson.
- o **Vote to immediately address resolution**
Motion: Sen Marguerite Butler
Second: Sen Taylor
Result: A vote was held: 33 in favor, 15 opposed; vote will be on next Senate meeting agenda

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn: Sen Maynard.

Second: Sen Rai.

Result: The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Raphael Raphael, MFS Senate Secretary.
Approved September 18, 2024.