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FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES

October 16, 2024

Via Zoom

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Present:

AHMAD, Amjad; **BAKER**, Kaliko; **BATENI**, Sayed; **BIAGIONI**, Edo, Chair, Faculty Senate; **BUTLER**, Marguerite; **CONNOLLY**, Kathleen; **CRUZ**, Mario; **DeBARYSHE**, Barbara; **DOI**, Saori; **FARRAH**, Duncan; **FOUKONA**, Joseph; **FRANCIS**, Oceana; **FRANKLIN**, Erik; **FUJIMOTO**, Patsy; **FULTON**, Lori; **GRISWOLD**, Jennifer; **GRONEWOLD**, Nate; **HIGA**, Jason Kenji; **KOSTETSKAYA**, Anastasia; **KUWAHARA**, Rheta; **LEE**, Kelly; **LORENZO-ELARCO**, Kenika; **MAO-CLARK**, Xiaodan; **MARSHALL**, Sarah; **MERRITT**, Deborah; **MIYAMOTO**, Camaron; **MOSTAFANEZHAD**, Mary; **O'ROURKE**, Laura; **PEARSON**, Tom; **PETERSON**, Eric; **PFALZGRAF**, Foley; **PHILIPPOFF**, Joanna; **PORT**, Dan; **POST**, Sarah; **POTEMRA**, Jim; **RAI**, Sarita; **REEMELIN**, Spencer; **RETTENMEIER**, Christoph; **RICHARDSON**, Brian, Faculty Senate Secretary; **RODRIGUEZ**, Beatriz; **ROWNTREE**, David; **SAFFERY**, Maya; **SAKAGUCHI**, Ann; **SEIDEL**, Peter-Michael; **STEPHENSON**, Carolyn; **STOCKTON**, Yola; **UYEHARA**, Lisa; **YAMADA**, Pauly; and **YAP**, Allison;

Excused:

KIM, Albert; **KREIF**, Theresa; **LUM**, U'ilani; **RAPPE**, Michael; **SCHIMMEL**, Scott; **TAYLOR**, Brad; **WANG**, Liang; and **PALMER**, Wesley.

Absent:

COOK, Sara; **GLAUBERMAN**, Gary; **MISHRA**, Birendra; **SARANILLIO**, Dean; **THORNE**, Mark; **ZHANG**, Shuxing.

Guests:

CENTEIO, Erin; **HIGA**, Lynne; **MAYNARD**, Ashley; **READY**, Boyd; and **WISEMAN**, Ben.

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1. CALL TO ORDER: 3:01pm

Chair Biagioni called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM.

2. MINUTES

- [Draft March 13, 2024 Senate Minutes](#)
 - Minutes were approved without corrections by unanimous consent.
- [Draft September 18, 2024 Senate minutes](#)
 - Minutes were approved without corrections by unanimous consent.

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

- Consultation on changes to RP 5.213 (regarding General Education) has been officially canceled for the foreseeable future. The SEC has withdrawn the resolution submitted from the floor at the September 18th meeting. In response to a need for information made apparent at the last senate meeting, the chairs of CAPP, the GEC, and the GEO have prepared an online presentation to update the faculty on the process to revise General Education at UH Mānoa: [Brief Update on the Process to Revise General Education at UHM, October 2024](#)
- There are now two faculty senate mailing lists: uhm-faculty-senate@hawaii.edu for official communications from the senate leadership, and uhm-senators@lists.hawaii.edu for senator-to-senator communications. Please do not unsubscribe from uhm-faculty-senate@hawaii.edu.
- Presidential candidate visits. ACCFSC polled individual faculty senate chairs (in their individual capacity) after each candidate's talks and will send the results of that poll confidentially to the BoR. BoR will likely make a choice at its October 16th/17th meeting based on all survey results received from the UH community. Testimony to bor.testimony@hawaii.edu is considered on time if submitted more than 48 hours before the meeting, but late testimony is also accepted.
- Encouragement and reminder to focus on what your committee wishes to accomplish this academic year. Since the Senate agenda can get busy with resolutions in April and May, it is a good idea to bring resolutions to the Senate as soon as they are ready. Committees are very diverse. Official communication should be from committee chair to SEC chair and back.

Chair Biagioni asked for comments or questions and some were offered.

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4. BUSINESS

- *Ann Sakaguchi, SEC Vice Chair presented the [Resolution on Presidential Search and Shared Governance](#) as submitted by the Senate Executive Committee (SEC)*

After debate, the Senators voted electronically.

- While the vote was being tabulated, Chair Biagioni asked for unanimous consent for discussion without a pending motion. Members informally discussed the Board of Regents choosing a President, and the question of whether to issue a Faculty Senate opinion.

The MFS Secretary reported the senate vote as 42 votes (95.5%) in support and 2 votes (4.5%) opposed. Chair Biagioni declared the resolution adopted.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- No new business

6. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Biagioni declared the meeting adjourned at 3:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Brian Richardson, MFS Secretary
Approved on November 20, 2024