10/20/04
Liaison Reports for 10/21/04 GEC Meeting

1. E Board
Emily Hawkins, Liaison

The Ethical Issues Focus Board met on October 12 with all members present. No new courses were discussed, but discussion centered on the E Boards website preparation and the statistics provided on ratios of seats available to expected need. New business reviewed the course approval process. It was noted that the renewal requests were less informative than new requests with several submissions lacking all of the information requested on the form. It was agreed that any cases without unanimous agreement would be discussed at a meeting before approval was forwarded to GEC.

2. H Board
Jon Goss, Liaison
Meeting 4

The HAP Board met on October 19. The liaison briefed the Board on requests for a workshop received from community colleges (via Helene Sokugawa) and the progress by the Community on Faculty Service on a replacement of a member who has resigned. The Board reviewed four proposals for which faculty had submitted revisions of syllabi and/or justifying statements. In some cases the responses were quite lengthy and detailed, but the committee was not persuaded that they satisfied the hallmarks, and they were all asked to make a more sincere effort to incorporate native voices and explore the intersection between Asia-Pacific and native Hawai‘i. It is clear that the originators of the proposals still do not “get it”. Three new proposals were also reviewed and found wanting: they remain pending and a request will be made for further faculty input. Due to late notification (10/19/04), faculty responses had not been received for four further UHM proposals and the eight community college proposals. A faculty member had also been too busy to respond to a request for clarification of one UH proposal. The Board will meet next week (October 26) and authors of proposals will be informed that they must respond by this date.

The Board will consider all pending proposals at its next meeting, as well as possible modifications to the hallmarks. It will also consider the possibility of offering a workshop for faculty on the hallmarks and the proposal process.

3. O Board
Randy Hensley, Liaison

The O Board is holding a faculty workshop to encourage O designation submissions on Wednesday October 27, 2004 from 3:30 - 5pm at BusAd E-203.

4. W Board
Jeannie Lum, Liaison
Next meeting: tba
5. Foundations Board
Megumi Taniguchi, Liaison
   Next meeting: 10/20/04, 2:30 p.m.

6. HSL
Patricia Fryer, Liaison
Liaison report for HSL

   Patty Fryer was out-of-town so Linda Cox served as the liaison. The group agreed that they
   wanted HSL to be listed as a GenEd requirement in the catalog. They felt that the catalog
   language should reflect the fact that waivers have been approved for various departments.
   They are now reviewing some draft language that Monica provided and will give feedback in
   the next few weeks.

   They have been very active in assessment. They are just completing their 2003/2004 reports
   and their plans for 2004/2005. They need resources and have asked the VCAA for some. A
   verbal promise has been made by the VCAA to provide them with something. They do not
   feel that they can address more than one or two of the eight learning outcomes they have
   identified in a given year given their current resource constraints.

   They also would like to be an official GEC committee, since they are functioning in an
   advisory capacity to GEC.