Oral Communication Focus Board Annual Report
Submitted by Jan Sung

Board members for 2010-2011
Kate Hye Eun Lee, Speech (replacing Dominic Franchini)
Joel Moffett, Academy for Creative Media
Jonathan Osorio, Hawaiian Studies (replacing Margit Watts)
Tom Pearson, Accountancy
Jan Sung, Chair, Hamilton Library, Head of Access Services
Mamoru Sato, GEC liaison, Art and Art History

Summary of activities
The board met in person every month except December 2010 and continuously discussed proposals via Laulima. The board reviewed 59 proposals; all proposals but one were approved (see below). Among them there was only one course-based proposal. The board conducted two workshops, one each semester. One of the workshops covered the course-based oral communication proposal (find the details below). The board also decided to network with departments which currently offer few O-focus courses. Each board member was assigned to one or two departments: Pearson, Marketing & Travel Industry Management; Lee, Communication/Journalism & Nursing; Sung, Geography, Political Science & Philosophy; Moffett, Secondary Language Studies; Osorio, Kinesiology & Rehab Services; Sato, Art and Art History.

Spring 2011 – 28 proposals submitted; 27 approved and one not recommended.
Summer 2011 – 10 proposals submitted; all approved.
Fall 2011 – 21 proposals (with one course-based proposal) submitted; all approved.

Workshops presented
Integrating Creative Oral Techniques in Your Class
Tuesday, November 16, 2010, Yap Conference Room, Hamilton Library
Panelists: Robert Boller, Speech
     Donna Ching, Family and Consumer Sciences
     David Bangert, Management & Industrial Relations

Help Students by Offering Course-based Focus Courses in Your Department
Wednesday, March 16, 2011, Yap Conference Room, Hamilton Library
Panelists: Kristen Uyemura, Oceanography
     Michael-Brian Ogawa, Information and Computer Sciences
     Paul Chandler, Spanish