Library Senate Executive Board

Meeting Minutes
2001-11-05

Present: Acosta (recorder), Chang (for Chopey), Coleman (Chair), Flynn, Horie, Lebbin, Minatodani, Sinclair

Absent: Geary

1. Approval previous meeting minutes
2. Committee Reports
   A. Staff Development Committee (Minatodani)
      Minatodani reported on two events in October:
      1) Lecture by Kimo Keaulana on the Bishop Museum Hawaiian language newspaper indexing project. The event was co-sponsored by the Hawaiian 345 Heluhelu Nupepa class.
      2) A fundraising event that went very well.
      Minatodani recommended that the current $100 limit per SDC grant be raised to $150. The board approved raising limit and agreed with Minatodani that perhaps the higher limit would encourage library staff to attend events/training that they might not otherwise. There does not seem to be any other mechanism for raising the limit in the Constitution, By-Laws or LSEB minutes.
   B. Manoa Faculty Senate (Flynn)
      Flynn reported on the full Congress on the 11th. Dobelle once again gave an overview of his plans. Sinclair concurred that Dobelle reiterated his often stated goals. He said that he considers faculty salaries of high priority.
      During the Senate meeting on October 17, 2001, the senators separated into small groups to focus on different aspects of development for the new strategic plan. Flynn's group discussed the overall campus climate and physical plant. Regarding the library, Flynn advocated to his group the importance of attention to library collections and human resource needs, and pointed out that the new library building is evidence of an overdue response to years of space neglect, but doesn't address staffing and materials budget concerns.
   C. Library Personnel Committee
      The Ad hoc Committee for Preliminary Review of LPC Procedures and Criteria is as follows:
      - Paul Wermager - co chair
      - Bron Solyom - co chair
      - Monica Ghosh
      - Lynn Davis
      The committee hopes to have a draft by December. The draft would have to be brought before the full senate, a 2/3 vote needed for ratification.
There will probably be a couple of informal meetings for feedback prior to that, with the draft being distributed there for comments and/or feedback.

D. UHPA Representative (Horie)

Drive for donation to Hawaii Food Bank: the Board of Directors set $100K as the goal for this year.

On November 10 the semi-annual meeting of faculty representatives from the entire state took place. Dobelle was not able to attend, but he did attend the Labor Day march - a good sign of his commitment to the union. If there are issues or concerns that anyone would like brought up at the next meeting, let Horie know via email or phone. For example, in the past, contract negotiations have not begun until a year prior to the expiration of the current contract. The current contract expires July 31, 2003, but Horie feels that the time to voice concerns is now.

Horie has been appointed to the grievance committee of UHPA.

Horie reminded the committee of the ongoing Women's Shelter drive for donations, especially for the upcoming holidays.

UHPA has established an Organizing Committee with many similar functions to the SDC: improving communication, increasing involvement, etc.

E. Elections Committee (Chang)

The deadline for LSEB to respond with comments on the draft cover letter to accompany the Elections Committee Policies & Procedures document. Chang noted some inconsistencies in the dates. There are still some questions that need answers as well. According to the LPC rules, if an LPC alternate serves 2 consecutive semesters, s/he can decline to run in elections. However, it is unclear as to what constitutes service, a case, or a meeting?

3. Mailing list

Acosta has created a UHUNIX mailing list for all library senate members: libsen-l@hawaii.edu

4. Report from the All Campus Council of Faculty Senate Chairs (ACCFSC)

The meeting covered much of the same ground as the full Congress. Lebbin was asked to attend the next meeting scheduled to take place on Kauai. If she cannot attend, one of the Board may have to take her place.

5. Next meeting

Monday, December 3rd at 1:30 pm.

Submitted by DeeDee Acosta (Secretary)