Library Senate Executive Board

Meeting Minutes
2005-04-06

Present:
LSEB: Cartwright, Chopey, Christensen (chair), Flynn, Horie, Kwok (recorder), Rutter, Sack

Excused:
Barnard, Schultz

Convened:
The meeting was called to order by Christensen (chair) at 10:32 am in Hamilton Library, Room 113.

1. Approval of 2005-03-09 minutes.

Approved


The Board discussed a number of sample review documents regarding the evaluation of Library Administration. The Board also discussed the scope of who will be surveyed; the criteria for evaluation; and documents/sources/examples of other evaluations. Relevant documents will be distributed to Board members. Also, the Office of Human Resources has an online evaluation tool. To use it, requires the approval of the Dean/Director of the unit you are in. There was additional discussion about the extent to which library administration understands and implements university policies and procedures. Also if administration hinders faculty in doing their jobs, it is a violation of the Board of Regents policies regarding the status of faculty.

3. Personnel Actions in the Library

Discussion focused on how to proceed. It was decided to gather information about existing written policies. LSEB may consider an ad hoc group to draft policies if necessary. Sources of policies include UH Manoa Administration, UHM Libraries Administration, UHPA, and UH Library faculty.

4. Committee Reports

Manoa Faculty Senate (Rutter/Chopey): Notes of the 2005-03-16 Manoa Faculty Senate meeting are provided as an attachment to these minutes.

Elections Committee (Sack): Elections Committee has distributed the ballot for the membership vote on revising the Library Senate Constitution and By-Laws.

UHPA (Horie/Cartwright): If Library Services adds two managerial positions, it is considered a major reorganization and by administrative procedures has to be approved by UHPA. Concerning its own Board of Directors, UHPA is in the process of deciding whether or not to amend the language on terms of Directors. Ruth Horie has been re-elected to a 3-year term as a director representing Manoa at large, because the number of candidates was equal to the number of vacancies.

Library Personnel Committee (Schultz): None.

Staff Development Committee (Barnard): None.

5. Next Meeting

Executive Board, April 20, 2005, 10:00+ am. Location Hamilton Room 113.

6. Adjourned

11:35 am

Submitted by Theodore Kwok, Secretary

Subject: notes of Manoa Faculty Congress and Senate meetings 3/16/05
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Notes of Manoa Faculty Congress
March 16, 2005, Crawford 105
1) Chair Tom Schroeder called the meeting at 2:36 pm. The chair explained that the congress is an informational meeting, not a decision making meeting.

2) The minutes of the October 20, 2004 Congress were approved.

3) Matt McGranaghan representing the Committee on Administration and Budget presented the by-laws amendments that entail changes in the description of the functions of the CAB and the Committee on Student Affairs. Matt noted that the changes proposed to the COA are in error and asked that they be ignored. The changes will be sent for vote to all faculty as a ballot in the near future.

4) UHM Chancellor Englert announced the public meeting schedule to discuss UHM’s possible development of a Navy sponsored applied research facility, otherwise known as UARC. The meetings will be held:
   - April 6, 2 pm, Architecture auditorium
   - April 7, 3 pm, Architecture auditorium
   - April 21, 3 pm, Architecture auditorium

   Englert will be present for all of these meetings and will announce the meetings to the campus via e-mail, flyers, and his webpage. The chancellor said that he had already held meetings with students and faculty and native Hawaiian groups and would continue to do so, to discuss the UARC.

   The chancellor explained that the Board of Regents (BOR) must make the decision about developing the UARC. Before the BOR can make that decision, an action paper produced by UHM must be submitted at least three weeks before the BOR meets. Englert said that it was unlikely that such a paper would be ready for the BOR April or May meetings.

   The chancellor noted that there is now “factual information” about the UARC linked from the chancellor’s webpage [see, http://manoa.hawaii.edu/mco/communications/pdf/UARC_overview.pdf and http://manoa.hawaii.edu/mco/communications/pdf/ARL_technical_proposal.pdf]

   Questions were raised about why the campus and community consultations had been arranged five months after the BOR considered the proposal in November. After taking some questions from the floor, the chancellor invited people who wanted to talk to him about the UARC proposal to come to 309 Hawaii Hall to join him after 3 pm.

5) Tom Schroeder introduced the next agenda item, the report of the ad hoc committee on classified research by noting that the consideration of the senate about classified research at Manoa began in 2001. A resolution in the December 11, 2002 senate meeting was passed that said that classified research should not be done on the Manoa campus [see http://www.hawaii.edu/uhmfs/documents/resolutions/20021120_reso Classified research.html for resolution].

   Ken Ripnis, chair of the ad hoc committee described the committee’s struggle to come to consensus. He emphasized that they were not charged to deal with the question of the UARC but that they focused on classified and proprietary research.

   The ad hoc committees resolution is:
   “BE IT RESOLVED that the Manoa Faculty Senate affirms that the University of Hawaii at Manoa support only research for which there is a reasonable expectation that timely publication of the results of the research will not be restricted by its sponsor.”

   Several speakers questioned the term “reasonable” in the resolution saying that this created a loophole.

   One faculty member questioned whether the resolution infringed on academic freedom. A student questioned whether academic freedom allows classified research and said that the issue is militarism.

   An emeritus professor asked where the sense of history is, remembering when the room was full in ’68—saying that the resolution is ambiguous and that the campus should “say ‘no’ until ‘yes’ is proved.”

   Joel Fisher offered an alternate resolution that addressed doing classified research for military agencies.
Lilikala read a memo from the Kuali‘i Council to the UH Manoa administration against the establishment of a Navy funded research facility.

Jill Nunokawa asked why the senate was working on the resolution when it is the administration’s responsibility to prove to everyone why they would want a UARC.

After another faculty member asked if the resolution would stop the development of a UARC, Tom Schroeder noted that the work of the senate is advisory, there is no guarantee that this resolution would affect the outcome.

After a great deal of discussion about whether the congress could bring a resolution to vote, the parliamentarian explained that resolutions could only come from the senate or via a petition with 100 faculty signatures.

The Congress was adjourned at 4 pm.

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Notes on Manoa Faculty Senate, March 16, 2005, Crawford 105

Tom Schroeder called the senate meeting to order at 4:19 pm.

Emily Hawkins asked that the senate adopt the agenda with the time limits so that the agenda could be completed in one session. This motion was passed.

1) The minutes of the February 16, 2005 senate meeting were approved.

2) Matt McGranaghan presented the by-laws amendments described in the congress. The motion to accept the amendments and send to a ballot was passed 44, 1 abstention.

3) Ken Kipnis read the resolution of the ad hoc committee on classified research. He explained that the resolution was not intended to keep researchers from using classified data or to breach human subject confidentiality.

Jim Gaines, UH Interim VP for Research, gave the history of why the senate was asked to provide opinion on classified research at Manoa. David Lassner, Chief information officer of UH had approached the SEC about the BOR policy on classified research because of concerns he had that the policy stated that a managerial group would oversee classified research. This managerial group would not exist in light of the ongoing system reorganization. Some senators believed that this would be an opportunity to rewrite the classified research policy. The original BOR policy did not specify classified research but only talked about publication limited research.

Gaines said that UH has never sent out a proposal for classified research but that it has happened that when the award was granted, the granter stipulated that certain parts of the work would be classified.

Roger Lukas noted that there are 14 government agencies that have the right to classify information. He wanted to promote the establishment of a unit that would allow the research to be brought to a close rather than having the research stopped because classified research is not allowed at Manoa.

The motion to accept the resolution was brought to a vote, 36 for, 7 against, and 1 abstention.

4) Ruth Dawson brought a resolution to the floor that was an ammended version of the posted resolution. She explained that she wanted to craft a resolution that would prevent any UARC kinds of relationships with UH Manoa.

Tom Ramsey said that he had heard from the chancellor that it would be possible to negotiate with the Navy that the UARC would not do any publication restricted research. The question was raised whether a Navy sponsored research facility that allowed open publication of research would be acceptable.

The resolution was voted upon, 11 for, 18 against, and 9 abstentions.

Both Mike and I had to leave before the meeting was adjourned. There were three CAPP resolutions that were going to be presented, one on course prerequisites, one in support of a proposal for an M.A. program in Hawaiian Language and Literature, and another resolution in support of a proposal for an M.A. in Hawaiian Studies.
When the minutes are posted on the MFS website I'll send the link.

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