

University Centers Directors Meeting Summary

Friday, April 11, 2014
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Bachman 113

Present: Karen Hanada (Maui), Marty Fletcher (Hawai'i), Mona Kincaid (Kaua'i) and Susan Nishida (UH System).

Welcome and Introductions

Marty Fletcher started in March as the Director for the University Center in West Hawai'i. The group discussed the differences in Centers (structure and function).

Maui: four sites, 344 students, 79 graduates
Kaua'i: one site, 100-150 students, 12-15 graduates

Karen will put Donna in touch with Marty to discuss opportunities and challenges since it seems their remote locations are similar.

Marty created a Yammer site (social media site for sharing information with others, but must have the same domain email). He will share access to the site with the group.

New Palamanui campus in West Hawai'i is scheduled to open soon, so the group would like to hold a Fall 2014 meeting at that campus.

Budget

Susan informed the group that the original budget allocation (\$200K) was reduced between 2008-2011 due to cuts to UH's general fund. The UC Directors are working on a needs assessment and will be putting together a proposed budget for FY 2014-15.

Student Fees for Distance Students

Group discussed its preference for mandatory student fees for distance students. For the interim, students should request waivers from the campuses (and campuses should be encouraged to waive duplicate fees or ones that students would not have access to). For the long term, students should only be charged for services that are available to them based on location. In general (additional guidance would be needed to define the fees), the group felt that all students should be charged:

- Student Publication fee and/or Campus Communication fee (if information is accessible to non-island students such as online newsletters, emails or mailed items)
- Student Government Fee

- Student Technology fee if it support distance students (supports HITS classrooms, 24/7 online support, etc.).

Suggestion will be brought forth to the DLPPG meeting. Mona will also advocate similarly as the representative on the Student Fees Working Group convened by Jan Javinar.

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Friday, June 6, 2014, 10:30 – 12:00, Bachman 113