Manoa Faculty Senate Executive Committee Minutes of December 9, 2002

Present: Meda Chesney-Lind, Martha Crosby, David Flynn, Frank Sansone, Mary Tiles, and Charlotte Mitsutani.

Vice-chair Mary Tiles called the meeting to order at 3:04 pm.

1. The minutes of the meeting of 12/2/02 were approved as corrected.

2. Chair’s Report
   - RTRT meeting with Englert - Mary and Mike relayed the urgency of releasing RTRF allocation. Peter agreed to release the funds immediately; Frank learned later that RTRF are being released using the formula used last fiscal year. G-fund allocations, however, are still not resolved.
   - Senate Budget - Mary will speak with Englert to try to get the Senate’s Supplemental Budget (10/11/02) released.
   - Manoa Management Executive meeting - Three items were discussed:
     - Should organized research units be able to offer academic degrees? (Answer: No, at least until a broader review is completed.) A subcommittee was set up.
     - Mandatory TA training program (from Peter Garrod). This proposal will be sent to Deans & Directors and then the Senate for consultation; the latter will send it to CAPP and CSA.
     - Proposals to merge Hawaiian Studies with Hawaiian Language and to do something similar with other units in SHAPS and their corresponding languages were discussed. Is this the time to consider such proposals? Further discussion will be held next week.
   - University Executive Council - Major items covered:
     - System Reorganization: The concerns of HGEA, researchers and students have apparently been addressed. System-level faculty consultation still needs to be implemented; the VPAA offered to help organize a meeting of faculty from across the system.
     - Honorary degrees were discussed, including the possibility of system-wide honorary degrees. Doelle envisioned approximately five recipients per commencement, who would be chosen from a long list of potential recipients. A change in BOR policy is apparently needed to make these changes.
     - A complaint to U.S. Civil Rights Commission has been filed by a student; it concerns tuition waivers for Native Hawaiian students.
     - R and S Funds: Wick Sloane is looking into the possibility of “raiding” such funds to help finance the upcoming biennium budget. He is aware that the research principal investigators are “up in arms”. According to Sloane, the legislative audit of these funds is being rushed; he advocated setting up an internal audit before the results of the legislative audit are released.
   - VCAA Search Committee - CFS should supply two names: one member of the SEC and another faculty with a complementary background.

Proposed Rental Increase for Faculty Housing - Wick Sloane has agreed with the tenants’
request that the rates not be raised over the next year.

**UH Foundation’s Centennial Campaign** - The SEC nominated Martha to be on the campaign’s Academic Priority Setting Committee; this will be sent to Peter.

3. Committee Reports

**CA** - Meda reported that the committee is trying to meet with Dir. Frazier and Peter Nicholson.

**CAB** - Frank reported that CAB met last week and produced a resolution on consultation on the system reorganization. Background information on classified research has been emailed to all senators, and the resolution postponed at the last senate meeting will be reintroduced.

**CAPP** - Mary reported that CAPP meets on 12/10 and may produce one or more resolutions for Wednesday’s senate meeting. Concerns addressed in a memo from Peter to Mike about A+ grades will be sent to CAPP; the latter should provide a response to the concerns raised. Frank passed on Peter Manicas’ email and memo lamenting A&S’s requirement that their undergrads take 104 credits within A&S. The SEC felt that this was an internal A&S matter and that the courses impacted could be cross-listed with an A&S department.

**CFS** - David reported that the committee made their recommendations for the vacancies on the GEC (Markus Wessendorf, William Foltz and Jeanie Lum) and the Foundations Board (John Casken). Nominees are still needed for the search committees for the VCAA and VCRGE; names should be sent to a SEC member.

**CSA** - Meda reported that the Faculty Ambassadors Program has received funds.

4. Old Business

**Agenda Items for December 11 Senate Meeting**

Approval of minutes

Resolutions:
- Classified research (CAB)
- Consultation on system reorganization (CAB)

Chair’s Report

UHPA report on contract negotiations

**Agenda Items for December 18 Meeting with Englert**

Senate budget

Interim VC-AOF

Chancellor move into Hawaii Hall

AF resolution - Administration plan for implementation

System reorganization implementation

The next SEC meeting will be held on Monday, December 16, 2002 at 3:00 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted,