Report to the Manoa Faculty Congress

Amendments to the Charter and By-laws. 
Presented to the Faculty Senate on February 18, 2004. 
Debated, amended and approved by the Faculty Senate March 17, 2004.

These amendments must now be approved by the Congress in order to take effect.

Here is a summary of the amendments, as approved by the Senate.

I Housekeeping changes: Updating and improving wording.

   a. As appropriate, change "President" to "Chancellor" or "President or Chancellor" or "President and Chancellor" or "President and/or Chancellor"

   The general philosophy is that the Manoa Faculty Senate works in the first instance with the Manoa Chancellor. However, provision is also made for consultation with the President, as appropriate.

   b. Change "Ku Lama" to "News@UH"

II Substantive changes.

   a. Add a Standing Committee on Research. Thus, there is a Senate Standing Committee corresponding to each Manoa Vice Chancellor.

   "The Committee is responsible for matters relating to the planning, direction, initiation, development, and coordination of faculty research. The Committee shall review policies and procedures for the support of the research enterprise, both for externally funded research and for internally funded/faculty-funded research. The Committee shall review proposals for improvements in research infrastructure and for new research initiatives or the restructuring of existing research programs. The Committee shall review the mechanisms by which funds are allocated in support of research. The Committee shall review policies dealing with compliance with Federal and State regulations."

   b. Eliminate the standing subcommittee on health as safety from CAB and the standing subcommittee on admissions from CAPP. These standing committees will then have more flexibility in internal organization.

   c. Permit a Senator to serve on a given standing committee for more than one term. This provides for more flexibility in setting up standing committees and for better continuity.
d. Permit a constituency with its own senate to designate an officer of its Senate as a representative to the Manoa Faculty Senate.

"A constituency or group of constituencies that has its own faculty senate with elected members may nominate one of its officers for service on the Manoa Faculty Senate. If it does so, that officer will be considered to have been elected to the Manoa Faculty Senate and the number of senators remaining to be elected from the constituency of that officer will be reduced by one.

e. Eliminate the requirement that the Senate Bylaws be authorized by the President.