MĀNOA FACULTY SENATE MEETING

March 19, 2014
Architecture Auditorium (ARCH 205)
3:00 pm – 4:35 pm

ATTENDANCE

Present (22)

ASAHINA, Audrey; BONTEKOE, Ronald; BOULOS, Daniel; CANYON, Deon; CARON, James; CASKEN, John; CHAIN, William; CHANG, Williamson; CHESNEY-LIND, Meda; CHIN, David; COWIE, Robert; DEBARYSHE, Barbara; DI, Xu; DUNN, Robert; ERICSON, David; FELIPE, Miguel; FLYNN, David; GARROD, Peter; HARRIGAN, Rosanne; HONG, Seunghye; HWANG, Hyunjoo; KALLIANPUR, Kalpana; KAWABATA, Wendy; LE SAUX, Olivier; LENZ, Petra; LESA, Faafetai; MANINI, Bonnyjean; MATSUDA, Jennifer; MINERBI, Luciano; MOCZ, Gabor; NGUYEN, Hannah; OISHI, Martin; PARK, Hyoung-June; POTEMRA, James; RAWSON, James; ROBERTS, Stacey; ROBERTSON, Scott; ROBINSON, Scott; SAFFERY, Maya; SAKAGUCHI, Ann; SANDERS, David; SHOULTZ, Janice; SIMANUKLUTZ, Manumaua; SMALL, Jennifer; SORENSEN, Trevor; SORIA, Julius; STEPHENSON, Carolyn; STEVENS, Duane; SZYMczak, Victoria; TALLQUIST, Michelle; TAM, Elizabeth; THOMAS, Florence; VALENZUELA, Hector; VARGO, Stephen; VINCENT, Douglas; WATTS, Margit; WELIN, Stephanie; WERTHEIMER, Andrew; WITHY, Kelley; WOODRUFF, Rosemarie; ZALESKI, Halina

Absent (1)

BRYANT GREENWOOD, Peter

Excused (62)

BENGSTON, Rodney; BINSTED, Kimberly; CONWAY, Thomas; COONEY, Robert; DAVIDSON, Elizabeth; DOI, Saori; ERTEKIN, R Cengiz; FULFORD, Catherine; INAZU, Judith; ITO, Ken; KIM, Albert; MATTER, Michelle; MAYNARD, Ashley; MELZER, Michael; PAULL, Robert; QURESHI, Kristine; RAYNER, Martin; RIGGS, H Ronald; SANTIAGO, Lilia; SOLIS, Ron; STIRR, Anna; WELLS, Jenny; WIECZOREK, Anna

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. MINUTES
3. GUEST: ATHLETICS DIRECTOR BEN JAY (3:15 PM)

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

5. BUSINESS

• Senate Election Results [Informational]

• Resolution on the Proposal for a Bachelor of Science Degree in Astrophysics and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Astronomy
  Presented by Trevor Sorenson, CAPP
  Guests: William Ditto, Dean, CNS
  Gunther Hasinger, Director, IFA
  Kevin Hamilton, Director, IPRC

• Resolution Recognizing Centennial of Cooperative Extension Service
  Presented by Doug Vincent, Senate Executive Committee

6. ISSUES

7. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

• Chair David Ericson convened the meeting at 3:06 pm

2. MINUTES

• A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by R. Cowie and seconded by H. Zaleski. Motion passed (43:1)

3. GUEST: ATHLETICS DIRECTOR BEN JAY (3:15 PM)

• Athletics Director Ben Jay addressed the Senate. Jay indicated he had been on the job for 14 months and 2 days and it has been “interesting”. In the aftermath of the “Wonder Blunder” it was critical to reestablish trust and integrity. The Athletics Department needed to change how they worked in the past and how to move forward to meet goals. There is a new Strategic Plan for the Athletics Department, which has been posted on the Hawaii Athletics web page. As a “mid-major” institution, UHM must become healthy and get its financial house in order. For 10 of the last 12 years, the program has run a deficit. The only years “in the black” has been the 11-0 and 12-2 football seasons. The struggle is to raise sufficient revenue to support a 21 sport program. The operation of the Aloha Stadium, as established by State, hinders revenue generation. The only revenue received is the ticket revenue and any parking purchased and resold to boosters. Other parking revenue, corporate sponsorship, merchandise goes to the stadium. The University pays $100K per football game for security and parking services. The Department is working with the Aloha Stadium
5. BUSINESS

Chair Ericson reported that UH M must join a “big conference”. As these “Big 5” conferences continue to expand and draw most of the revenue from television and marketing away from other schools, UH Athletics must be prepared to take advantage of opportunities. UH is working hard to position itself to join up with the Pac 12; as this conference looks to Asia for new revenue. The challenge for UH Athletics is overspending. There is a constant hunt for new revenue. UH receives $2.3 M in television revenue; each school in the Pac 12 each receive $25 M per year. The additional revenue would be an enormous boost to the program. The Department will still run a deficit this fiscal year approximately $2M which is better than the $3.4M in the previous fiscal year. The Department is working with UH Foundation to target large donors to assist the program. The Department must do a better job in fund raising. The costs for providing scholarships to student athletes may be rising to the costs of attendance, which may cost an additional $600 K per year. If so, these costs need to be covered by new fundraising. The costs of recruiting student athletes continues to grow. The lack of maintenance at the facilities hurts student athletes. A number of renovation/ construction projects are proposed and hope that they are funded, including the completion of the T.C. Chang Athletic Facility, the necessary renovation of Klum Gym. All told there are 10 projects on the list.

Senator Williamson Chang of the Committee on Athletics raised two other questions with Director Jay. How is the Department maintaining and protecting the student athletes. Jay mentioned that they are in compliance with the NCAA with respect to the 20 hour rule but coaches are under pressure. The Nagatomi Academic Center has really helped the student athletes; the GA’s available work well with the student athletes. The average GPA is higher than the rest of the student body, but it can get better. 2) What is the Department doing with respect to health and safety issues, including concussion prevention and treatment? The Department is partnering with Hawaii Pacific Health to provide more health care providers. Questions were asked about eating disorders, athlete self-image, and nutrition. Jay indicated that he recognizes this as an issue but has no staff to assist. He hopes to hire a sports nutritionist. The Senate, led by Chair Ericson, thanked Director Jay for his time and transparency.

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Ericson reported on the following:

- Peter Nicholson is retiring as the UH M Faculty Athletic Representative, effective December 31, 2014. The 0.5 FTE position is appointed by the Chancellor and serves a 5 year term. The Senate Office sent out the position description to the UHM Congress with a deadline to apply by April 7, 2014. A committee of SEC and COA members will identify the top candidates and make recommendations to the Chancellor for appointment.
- Halina Zaleski (CTAHR) has resigned from the Senate Executive Committee. Peter Garrod (CTAHR) has replaced her.
- Rebekah Frasier has been hired as the Senate Research Assistant.
- The MFS Executive Committee will be meeting with the UHPA leadership on March 24, 2014. The hope of this meeting is to discuss the roles of UHPA and MFS in consulting with the UHM administration on issues related to academics and employment. Chair Ericson noted that with respect to the Smoke Free Policy on various UH campuses, Interim President Lassner indicated that BU07 members (Faculty) are currently exempt from the policy. Duane Stevens (SOEST) reminded the Chair that Article V of the MFS By-Laws provides for a Joint Senate of Hawaii at Mānoa Faculty Senate Bargaining Unit Committee. Stevens encouraged the Chair to re-establish this committee.
- The Chair reported that some schools and colleges will likely show a deficit at the end of this fiscal year. He encouraged the Senators to anticipate shortfalls and be prepared to work with their schools and colleges to find solutions.

5. BUSINESS

- **Senate Election Results** [Informational]. The Chair reported that the SEC certified the results of the recent Senate Election for the 2014-2016 terms. The Chair encouraged new Senators to participate in the New Senator
Orientation to be held mid-April 2014. A Doodle poll will be sent out to newly elected Senators to indicate a willingness to participate and a preferred time. The next step is for Senators to nominate and stand for SEC election.

- **Resolution on the Proposal for a Bachelor of Science Degree in Astrophysics and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Astronomy.** Trevor Sorenson from the Committee on Academic Planning and Policy (CAPP) reported on a resolution recommending approval of a BS degree in Astrophysics and a BA degree in Astronomy. After the resolution was read, questions were taken from the Senate. Concerns were raised about the cost of implementing these degree programs and how R faculty FTE would be adjusted to accomplish the teaching load. It was indicated that 1 full time faculty FTE and 1 instructor faculty FTE would be necessary to implement these new degree program, along with one support staff FTE. Dean Ditto indicated that funds will be reallocation within College of Natural Sciences to implement these programs. Resolution passed 51-0.

- **Resolution Recognizing Centennial of Cooperative Extension Service.** Doug Vincent presented an SEC resolution celebrating the Centennial of Cooperative Extension at UH-Mānoa. Vincent explained that 2014 is the 100th anniversary of the passage of the Smith-Lever Act which established the Cooperative Extension Service. Over 60 faculty FTE at UH Mānoa serve in this capacity as extension agents or specialists. Many are located on neighbor islands. The Cooperative Extension Service is the largest information educational system in the US. Resolution passed 46-3.

6. **ISSUES**

- No new issues were raised.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

- The Senate adjourned at 4:35 pm

Respectfully submitted by Douglas Vincent, Senate Executive Committee Secretary (Acting)

Approved by the Mānoa Faculty Senate on X.