# University of Hawai‘i
## Student Caucus 2011-2012
### Minutes for Delegation Meeting 11-006
#### Date of Meeting: Saturday, February 11, 2012 @ UH-Hilo

## I. Call to order: 0845hrs

## II. Roll Call

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**TOTAL:**

| Advisor:                          | Lui Hokoana        |         |       |         |        |

## III. Establish Quorum

3.1 Quorum Established? Yes
IV. **Open Forum Guest**

1. UH-Hilo VCSA Dr. Hong

V. **Approval of Agenda and Minutes**

Minutes for Meeting 11-005

- Motion: Bethany
- Second: Kaleo
- Vote: Unanimous

Melequini: Requested adding Dr. Steiner to agenda to speak to the UHSC about sustainability efforts at UH-Hilo.

Sam: Requested adding the student involvement resolution to discussion

Stacy: Asked Ryan where he'd like to place that on the agenda.

Ryan: Replied before unfinished business.

Agenda for Meeting 11-006

- Motion: Palika
- Second: Melequini
- Vote: Unanimous

VI. **Internal Reports**

1. Chairperson

   - Emphasized importance of turning in travel forms to Carol ASAP. Stated that he informed Carol to stop processing travel forms the Wednesday of the week before the delegation meeting.

   - Sam: Asked if forms could be turned in before then for the Maui meeting.

   - Ryan: Replies yes

2. Vice Chairperson

   - States that Ryan already mentioned the travel forms. Eluded to further issues but utters that he will bring it up later.

3. Data Director

   - Spoke with Carol about ordering more UHSC Shirts

4. Treasurer

   - Advises that she hasn't received an updated budget from Carol yet.

   - Sam: Queried a timeline for getting the numbers and the balance of the treasury.

   - Adrienne: Reported that we have an additional $500 surplus in our treasury.

5. Neighbor Islands At-Large

6. Oahu At-large

   - Advertised SAIL Conference at UH-Manoa on 10Mar12, 9am-9pm. If anyone is interested in attending it's a $45 registration fee per person.

7. Advisor

   - Reminded about having the UH president come speak with the UHSC. Suggested doing an agenda to discuss issues like the Matriculation Fees since it got pushed back to the Faculty Senates for further review.

8. Ad-Hoc Committee

   - U Pass
   - Constitution & Bylaws

   - Martin: Informs UHSC that there will be a couple of modifications and that he asked Stacy to take a look over the Constitution and bylaws before presenting it to entire caucus.

   - PR

   - Tom: Informs UHSC that he will be typing out some press releases about our motion on sustainability.
Ryan: Inquired about the UHSC website from Jessica.
Jessica: Stated that it's up and running.
Ryan: Asked about the minutes.
Stacy: The minutes will be posted up as soon as password protect PDF files are zipped.

- Advocacy & Awareness
Kaleo: Detailed that the Advocacy and Awareness Committee has nothing to report on the Gmail conversion as of yet. Hoping to meet with the IT either at the April or May caucus Meeting. There are 4 Senate Bills that need to kept an eye on:

SB2004 (Solomon) Reestablissh the governor's authority to nominate and, with the advice and consent of the senate, appoint the members of the board of regents of the University of Hawaii by repealing the candidate advisory council for the board of regents of the University of Hawaii; effective upon ratification of the constitutional amendment to article X, section 6, of the Hawaii Constitution, which would delete provisions related to the regents candidate advisory council. Effective Date: upon the ratification of a constitutional amendment authorizing the board of regents of the University of Hawaii to be nominated and, with the advice and consent of the senate, appointed by the governor in compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii. Lead: BOR

SB2005 (Solomon) PROPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 6, OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION TO MODIFY THE APPOINTMENT PROCESS FOR THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII Amends article X, section 6, of the Hawaii State Constitution to modify the appointment process for the board of regents of the University of Hawaii; repeals reference to the candidate advisory council for the board of regents of the University of Hawaii. Effective Date: upon compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii. Lead: BOR Referral: EDU, JDL – EDU hearing on 2/8 at 1:15pm

SB2546 (Tokuda) RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII Amends the form and function of the University of Hawaii regents candidate advisory council. Repeals section 304A-104.5, HRS. Effective Date: upon approval Lead: BOR Referral: EDU, WAM – EDU hearing on 2/8 at 1:15pm Advocacy and Awareness Committee

1SB2620 (Slom) RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII BOARD OF REGENTS Abolishes the regents candidate advisory council for the board of regents of the University of Hawaii. Effective Date: upon approval Lead: BOR Referral: EDU, WAM – EDU hearing on 2/8 at 1:15pm If you choose to submit testimony on any of these action there will be planning of time for the other hearings.

FYI: At the Women’s Democratic Caucus there was an Item agenda inquiry from a UH student asking if there is a UH Sexual Violence Policy. I will be receiving more information from the chair of the women’s caucus in the next upcoming weeks.

Bethany: Asked if any of the bills deal with the Gmail issue.
Kaleo: Replied no and re-clarified resolutions.
Lui: Stated that other regents did not support these bills because it was too political to give the governor too much power.
Kaleo: Proclaimed that as students we should oppose these bills because it takes away our voice.
Lui: Informed that the bills have passed the senate and on its way to judiciary committee.
Stacy: Encouraged that as UHSC we need to do more visible activism if we are for or opposed, but we will have to do more than just pass a resolution.
Kaleo: Emphasized that members at legislature wants to see more student activism.
Sam: Stated that he was indifferent in regards to this, since we as students only have 1/7 say in anything.
Bethany: Responded that at least we have transparency in regards to the selection of the student regent.
Kaleo: Reemphasized that he would back the bill if the students had another method to voice our opinions and concerns.
Ryan: Proposed to continue this discussion later.

9. Committees
- Academic Policy & Planning (APP)
  Tom: Discussed with Stephanie about proposing more finance classes for students. Stated that the federal government is taking away subsidizes loans for many students, and wants to know what the University is doing about it.
  Sam: Proposed having VP Linda Johnsrud come back to present and speak with UHSC about how they promised more financial aid after the tuition increases were approved.
- Facilities & Budget (FaB)
  Adrienne: Reminded UHSC that FaB still needs a chair.
  Sam: Replied that Adrienne is doing a great job. Stated that sustainability efforts on UH Manoa are still on course but isn’t sure if they are getting solar panels on their roofs. Still awaiting other campuses in regards to sustainability efforts.
- Student Life (SLif)
- Student Government Operations (SGO)

10. Campus Reports
6.10.1 UH Mānoa ASUH
  Siahna: UH-Manoa will be giving their presentation to the BOR on 23FEB12 on U-Pass policy
6.10.2 UH Mānoa GSO
  Adrienne: SGSO has been working on the graduate student unionization House bill, it passed the first round, and on way to the House for Higher Education committee. Also discussed the RCAC senate bill.
  Bethany: Suggested doing a resolution in opposition to it too.
  Tom: Replied we are looking for more personal testimony. Advertised to go to the UH baseball games.
6.10.3 UH Mānoa WSR-SBA
  Sommerset: Stated that they had a supreme court justice come in to speak with them, she was awesome.
6.10.4 UH Hilo
  Melequini: Advocated for new housing proposal for the college of pharmacy. Some minority group advisor are worried that the 5% tuition increase may affect their student cost of living.
  Ryan: Inquired what the students feedback was on the housing proposal.
  Melequini: Received feedback, although the BOR wants feedback from the minority students.
  Lui: Advised that UH-Manoa and UH-Hilo have a few housing bills, meeting is 23FEB12 at Windward.
6.10.5 UH West O‘ahu
Martin: West Oahu day was moved to 18APR12. Will be working with a few students to have tables before the Fall semester to answer questions about the new campus. Will be contacting Johnson Controls at UH-Manoa to get a gauge to determine how much energy we are saving from opening windows and turning off devices we aren't using in class.

Stacy: Have been asked by our Senate to draft up a few constitutions that would include an executive board, and was invited to join the Hawaii Parliamentary Association to review the constitution before sending it to the Vice-Chancellor for approval.

6.10.6 UH Maui College
Palika: Apologized to the UHSC about his past performance and stated that he will be back on the ball. Indicated that his SG has experience a budget of $25,000, going from 5 to 3 activities a semester. Will be prepping for the Maui UHSC meeting, so be on the look out for emails.

6.10.7 Hawai'i CC
6.10.8 Honolulu CC
Kaleo: We are continuing construction on campus, they have started with building 7. We will be having ASUH-HCC elections in April. On 2-4FEB12 went to Ho'opili Hou on Kauai for a leadership conference. Ryan and Kaleo both presented topics. We thank Kauai for amazing hospitality. HCC had 33 students going all together. HCC is planning a May Day music event, and plan on finishing the semester strong.

Ryan: Announced that he will be reviewing further applications for their Chancellor search.

6.10.9 Kapi'olani CC
6.10.10 Kauai CC
Bethany: Kauai CC bus pass initiative are expired and will be attending a county meeting to hear testimonies 20FEB12 to try to extend it. Have received $1.5 million for renovations of buildings. Feels that they don't need that much money.

6.10.11 Leeward CC
Tracey: LCC had an open forum to change their mission statement, 1st vote to approve will be on 16FEB12. Working on getting designated smoking areas on the agenda. Chancellor is for all constitution changes but will require 250 student signatures.

Stephanie: Will have the first family restrooms.
Tracey: Will be retrofitting the water fountains.
Sam: Asked if they will be paying for filtered water.
Tracey: We aren't.
Sam: Stated that we should be upset about this.
Lui: Go to Hawaii Hall not Bachman Hall to protest.

6.10.12 Windward CC
Asa: Thanked Kauai CC for hosting the Ho'opili Hou conference, and stated that their representatives enjoyed it and wanted to use some of the workshops for their leadership training. They are going green to conserve energy. Are attempting to get more student involvement in UH sports by trying to get a bus to shuttle to and from Windward CC to watch games.

VII. New Business
1. Student Inclusion Proposal
Tom: On numerous occasions over the past few years, the administration has made some very significant decisions that have direct financial impact on students. Almost all of these financial decisions have been passed with student disapproval and a sense of student voice not being taken seriously. There is an abundance of serious
complaints amongst the students in the UH system about these financial decisions. In order to provide a more meaningful relationship between administration and students, administration must consider student input DURING the research phases of brainstorming solutions to financial problems and policy making, and students must be willing to participate in the time consuming process of researching and creating policies that benefit the entire University community. The University of Hawai'i will benefit if a consistent and nurtured relationship between administration and students exists.

EXAMPLES OF FINANCIAL DECISIONS:
The Mānoa Student Athletic Fee: After brief consultation by the student governments at UH
1) Mānoa, the Athletics Department and Chancellor’s Office took an entire year to prepare a student athletics fee proposal. The student governments were then informed that the proposal was going to be presented to the Board of Regents at their next meeting. Despite overwhelming disapproval by the students, especially because the athletics department claimed they were running a deficit and provided NO financial information to the students, the student athletic fee was presented to the BOR and passed. The UH Mānoa student governments were not involved in the research process done by the Athletics Department and consultation during the process was practically nonexistent.
2) The 2011 UH tuition increase: After a brief presentation to the student caucus during the spring 2011 semester informing students that there would probably be a tuition hike proposal in the fall, the next news that most students heard about the potential tuition increase was less than a month before the proposal was presented to the BOR. Town hall meetings and student government presentations all took place less than a month before the BOR meeting. The time line was too short and, again, students were not included in the research process. Student input was only encouraged after the proposal had been set up and sufficient comparative research was done.
3) Hiring a new football coach: After unacceptably low student attendance at the UH football games towards the end of the season, the head football coach was fired, and a committee was formed to find a replacement. The committee was composed of University and Hawai'i community members who are all involved in the athletics program through past participation and continued support. Being nearly two million dollar share holders and consistent supporters and participants of all of the athletic teams, the students should have naturally been a part of the hiring process, especially because the football coach is usually the highest paid state employee. Despite numerous requests and the support of Chancellor Hinshaw, no students were involved in the process or consulted for input.

I do believe that student voice is considered important by the university. However, when the background and research is so overwhelming and students are not given enough time to consider options and have meaningful, productive conversations with administrators, then we are left feeling unheard, unappreciated, and disrespected. The GSO is asking that a policy be adopted by the university that requires student involvement in all financial decision-making during the early stages of policy development. The policy should require that administrators request student involvement from the appropriate student groups: student government for campus-related financial decisions and student caucus for system-wide financial decisions. There will be no less than 1 and no greater than 2 students involved from each student representative group (caucus or student government) involved in the research process. The amount of student involvement will be determined by the student group itself.
For UH Mānoa, the 1-2 rule will apply to both ASUH and GSO. When students are involved in the formation of policy instead of being told about new policy formation, there is a much greater chance that the entire student population will be satisfied with the policy because their concerns and needs were considered early on in the process and not as an afterthought once the policy has been prepared. This policy provides for an increased feeling of respect for student voice and more transparency in the decision making process.

**Motions:** Tom moves to approve the policy for including student in the decision making process.  
Second: Kaleo

Tracey: Asked if this already went through the GSO.  
Tom: Retorted yes, and hopes it will go through the UH-Manoa Chancellor.  
Suggested adding this to the discussion with the UH President. Inferred that there was a Chancellor that said they did not consult with the student about the Athletic Fee increase.  
Tom: Replied yes, but it was a years without any updates on the matter and then they deliver it and it pass it with out student input. States he mostly concerned with transparency.  
Lui: Exclaimed that then they would ask that a student would sit on the committee for about year for discussion.  
Bethay: Exclaimed that's the point.  
Tom: Proclaimed that as student leaders we have to motivate student to sit on this committees.  
Kaleo: Uttered that its about accountability. We need to teach students about how to stand together and fight.  
Sam: Inquired if their is a list of committees student sit on.  
Tom: Replied he believes there is.  
Siahna: Affirmed that they have an internal affairs committee that keeps track from.  
Tracey: LCC is blessed to have a student representatives sit on every Faculty Senate committee.  
Ryan: Or you can sit on every committee like me.  
Bethany: Asked if the caucus wants the delegates to go back and ask their SG's about this.  
Ryan: Emphasized that just wants the delegates to inform their SG that the UHSC supports this.  
Stacy: Cautioned delegates to ensure that your vote mimics that of your SG.  
Martin: Exclaimed that every one had enough time to read this by email and discuss it with their students and SG. Asked Bethany if she brought this up with her SG.  
Bethany: Retorted that she will just sustain.  
Melequini: Inputted that all committees chairs on campus are students.  
Ryan: Asked if there were any further discussions.  
Bethany: Posed if she could call here SG to get there feedback before voting on this motion.

Ryan calls for break @ 1015hrs  
Back in session @ 1124hrs

**Re-motion:** Tom moves to approve the policy for including student in the decision making process.  
Second: Kaleo  
Vote: Yea- 9, Nay- 0, Abstain: 1 (Kauai CC)
2. Molokai Campus
Kaleo: Requested that UHSC give a care package (pens, pencils, etc.) to the Molokai Campus because they are in need of help.
Hoaka: Advised that they have a student perspective to the lack of higher education there in Molokai if anyone is interested in reading it.
Kaleo: Reemphasized the feeling to help campus in Molokai.
Tracey: Queried how we would go about doing this.
Sam: Asked if this campus falls under Maui CC jurisdiction.
Palika: Explained that it has been a struggle since 2008, stated that Molokai campus showed no interest in having representation. However, he will definitely bring it up to his SG.
Asa: Announced that their SG is in favor of helping the Molokai campus out, and have been brainstorming with Kaleo on ideas to do it.
Bethany: Asked how large the student population was there.
Lui: Replied about 200 student.
Stacy: Posed the question do they need paper and pencils or books or monetary funds.
Kaleo: Reiterated anything to show that we have them in mind.
Melequini: Queried Kaleo if he is advocating that UHSC fund the initiative or have each delegate go back to their SGs to see if they can contribute.
Kaleo: Either, because they are a forgotten campus.
Melequini: Recommended sending delegates to visit the campus to determine if UHSC can contribute or start a larger initiative that would require all campus SGs to get involved.
Sam: Suggested having representatives flown to Maui to discuss this at the next delegation meeting and get some administrators involved in the CSO process for the Molokai Campus.
Stacy: Restated that we all want to help, but they did not come to the UHSC but to the BOR for help. Perhaps we should allow Maui CC to deal with this before having them attend the UHSC meeting.
Palika: UHSC visited the Molokai Campus in 2008, but Maui CC has forgotten them. Apologized to UHSC, stated that there is no excuse, and will bring this back to his SG.
Lui: Corrected that we actually had them come to the BOR, they didn’t ask to come. Melequini: Asked Kaleo to bring this to the Neighborhood Island Senator-At-Large attention.

3. Financial Aid Issues
Sam: A student approach him asking what UHSC is doing about this financial aid issue. The unsubsidized loans are no longer going to be available to graduate and professional students. Wanted to know what we were planning on doing so he can tell this student something.
Adrienne: Stated that this will not affect undergraduate students who are professional students.
Lui: Remarked that he will see about having Gregg, their financial aid specialist come talk to us at the next meeting. Hinted that having a resolution on this matter would be a good idea.
Bethany: Requested that Kaleo send all the resolutions to the entire UHSC before the next meeting.
Ryan: Proclaimed that most of us here are not graduate student and this will not affect us.
Bethany: Exclaimed it will affect me in the future.
Siahna: Stated that their SG is interested in the matter.
Stacy: Stated that we need to start looking at the way we propose measures and our actions as how it affects the future students.
Ryan: Notified that they didn't get anything on this financial aid info.
Lui: States that he will have Gregg send us the info for the next meeting.
Sam:
Stacy: Expressed feeling of disheartenment regarding the course the UHSC is taking, also expressed concern that we don't have the tools to fix some of these issues.
Melequini: Agreed with what Stacy said, and believes we as Caucus should be doing more. Bachelors degree students are at risk with financial aid if they exceed credits, they don't get aid.
Bethany: Agreed with Stacy, and stated they we should be making resolutions by finding a bill and going to the legislature. Emphasized that this is real important for Oahu delegates to go to the state capitol.
Ryan: Stated that if we would like to be more active and take off the training wheels and go after issues, if we want to do something lets do it.
Bethany: Reiterated this is the time we need to act because the bills are finally out.
Kaleo: Expressed if we would like to step it up, make sure we look at the legislative material his mother (Donna Stone) gave us. Exclaimed he is waiting to do something where are we at.
Bethany: Reemphasized especially the Oahu delegates.
Ryan: Reminded UHSC that we were promised packets on the financial aid info when we supported the proposed tuition hike. Stated we need to ensure future delegates know this.

Ryan calls for break @ 1100hrs
Back in session @ 1116hrs

VIII. Presentation by Dr. Hong

Presentation begins @ 1117hrs
Presentation concluded @ 1206hrs

Ryan calls for lunch recess @ 1207hrs
Back in session @ 1247hrs

IX. Unfinished Business

1. RCAC Issue
Sam: Informed UHSC that he spoke with Sloan to get his feeling on the bills being passed and he stated that he supports it because they can now blame the governor if something screws up.
Ryan: Asked the UHSC where we stand, keeping in mind what we indicated that we have to do something.
Lui: Stated that this is an interesting issue that affect UHSC because we send the people to the RCAC. Emphasized the need to make a decision at this meeting.
Kaleo: Restated that this deal specifically with the voice of the students. States that we need to use our voices.
Sommerset: Exclaimed we have to use our one up.
Bethany: Suggested work on a resolution draft to send to the legislature.
Stacy: Indicated that we need to ensure that we all agree and that we will fully back this measure, by doing so we show unification.
Bethany: Reiterated drafting up a resolution and personal testimonies and having delegates on Oahu deliver them to the capital. Will chat with her SG to see about sending delegates from the Neighbor Islands to join Oahu delegates at the legislature.
Sam: Asked what we are doing now.
Kaleo: 
Lui: Stated that we don't need to do another resolution, but just vote on each bill yea or nay.
Bethany: A letter still needs to be done.

**Motion:** Martin calls for a vote to clarify that we are going to do something about the RCAC bills.
Second: Bethany
Vote: Unanimous

Sam: Reminds UHSC that bills are all the same, we need to decide if we as Caucus are in favor or against the abolitionsing of the RCAC.

**Motion:** Adrienne motions that UHSC oppose SB 2004, 2005, 2546, and 2620 to eliminate RCAC
Second: Asa

Lui: Reminds UHSC that we need to consider that Sen. Sakuda and Gov. Abercrombie are proposing these bills and we are going to testify against them.
Bethany: Retorted that we are not going to kiss butts.
Tom: Expressed that we keep the RCAC, to ensure that governments doesn't have full control over the university.
Adrienne: Added that these bills go against Tom's resolution we passed to ensure student involvement are included in all university decisions that affect them.
Sam: Suggested adding to the motion that we as student representatives can still give our input to the governor. States that you can be pro transparency and student involvement and be against these bills.
Bethany: Questioned if the advisory council picks the regents that go to the governor. States that people have the right to choose, not just one person, which is the whole point.
Lui: Replied yes, and indicated that all appointments still need to go before the senate for confirmation.
Sam: Pointed out that students have a net of 1/7 say in this council. Explained that just gives the legislature more power not the students.
Bethany: Exclaimed No.
Ryan: Reminded delegates to raise their hand before speaking.
Kaleo: Replied yes but this gives us 1/7 of the power to speak, we talk about leadership qualities, and if we vote in favor of these bills we give up our power.
Stacy: Reminded delegates about the accidental bill that was proposed by UHSC to have more students on the BOR. We were told that it was a conflict of interest. Now after making these motions, believes that students should be involved in every decision the university makes as suggested by Dr. Au.

**Re-motion:** Adrienne motions that UHSC oppose SB 2004, 2005, 2546, and 2620 to eliminate RCAC.
Second: Kaleo
Vote: Unanimous

Kaleo: Informed the UHSC to look at the packet on how to write testimonies. Stated that if we need it, see him so he can email it. Emphasized that emails are read but suggest personal testimony to be presented at the capital.

UH-Hilo VCSA Dr. Hong
Presentation begins @ 1300hrs
Presentation concluded @ 1335hrs
Ryan breaks for committee @ 1340hrs
Back in session @ 1412hrs

X. **Announcements and Open Forum**
   9.1  N/A

XI. **Adjournment**
   Meeting Adjourned @: 1432hrs