University of Hawaii Student Caucus
Meeting Minutes
Saturday, November 17, 2012
9:00 am
Windward Community College

Called to order @ 9:28am

Chair: Tracey:

December 1st UH football game, Lui can get us tickets, so write down your name and the number of tickets that you want.

-Neighborhood island folks have issues with corrections of minutes


Approval of Agenda and Minutes:

Motion made by Chair Tracey Imper to approve the minutes from October 27th, 2012 and the agenda for November 17, 2012, Second by 1st Caucus Delegate Kaleo Gagne, All, oppose: 0 ab: 0 Motion carries

Guest:
Hoaka Thomas (former UHSC Representative)

Unfinished Business:

Webmaster position: Will take care of it before the next semester. Student hire position, but we need to have stipulation as far as what needs to be done

-Adrienne: there was a job description, Tom wrote it
-Committee to find someone to take care of website (interviews, present to caucus)
-Anyone interested in UHSC interested in doing it? Tracey was
-Most important thing is getting minutes and delegates up
-Jess: I can stay in the position until the end of the school year
-Pay $300; is that okay?
- Tracey: propose to pay her $300 for the year, with stipulations to add photos

**Motion made by 2nd Caucus Delegate Kane Elena, Second by Kim, Unanimous, Nays: 0 Abs: 0 Motion Carries**

**New Business:**

**Polycom meetings** - (discussion)
- Kauai CC: possibly for students to see meetings, because that opens up to other people to know what we’re doing; saves money due to budget cuts
- Tracey: On Saturday it’s difficult to get people to come in and set it up
- LCC: There is Skype?
- Honolulu CC: against the idea, we need camaraderie among each other
- Law School: polycom students in to offer opinions, possible alternatives
- Adrienne: what if delegates try not to come
- Kanoe: it is for situations in which something happens that they cannot make it, possibly also live stream
- Tracey: is anyone willing to do that? And there are also certain rooms
- Hilo: Would Kauai be willing to look into more options?
- Kauai CC: yes
- Hilo: also set up as webcam

**Franken Motion (GSO)** -

**Discussion:**
- Kauai CC: will this come out of University funds and affect everyone?
- Adrienne: part out of the budget and part of outside funds, would restructure the Budget to accommodate. Admin also gets overhead from a number of students who comes, so they will make money
- Discretionary funding, Department funding, outside grants (RA); from University (TA)
- Honolulu CC: As a collective, study by GSO. Greenwood wants to hear more from students, think that we should stand up and support GSO
- Law School: realistically, general scheme in HI is that we get paid less. State does not have enough money to get raises because many state employees cannot get raises
- Adrienne: not everyone gets tuition waivers
- Law School: why not?
- Adrienne: depends on what the department is offering, some get a package deal, some get hourly pay
- Law School: Hourly pay/tuition waiver may compensate, we also need to be aware that we need to pick our battles, and there are also tuition discrepancies
- Law School: then we should look for more teachers, not hourly pay for the ones that already exist
- Adrienne: shooting high to leave room for negotiation
- Law School: everything is going up, and the state is in a deficit
- Honolulu CC: Keiki’s are being affected
- Law School: state has one budget so it needs to be careful in how it allocates funding
Honolulu CC: Graduate students ward of the state, but they do not have a voice to advocate, because they cannot unionize, because of the law. This is unfair too

Kauai CC: what is the logic for students not being able to have an outside job

Adrienne: Technically considered full time, part is education and part is labor

Law School: where is the policy?

Adrienne: policy in graduate division

Law School: one of the models the University has adopted, one there is a class at KCC, they bring in graduate students, not facility, student should receive correct compensation, agree with argument-issue, not reason because no other state employee is receiving. So we need to come from a perspective in which we convince others why they should pay more for a better education

Kauai CC: what about changing a policy so that people can have outside jobs

Law School: according to policy, you cannot work over 20 hrs in school, but it says nothing about outside jobs

Honolulu CC: how many hrs does a TA/RA put in?

Adrienne: TA is about 20 hrs, but it depends on the department, others work 25-35 hrs

Honolulu CC: How many are they asking for?

Adrienne: $3,000

Enjoli: but to compensate for change in the dollar value since 2003

Law School: this does not include tuition waiver

Lui: administration may support modest increase, keep that in mind

Honolulu CC: Motion made to vote for Franken Motion

Comments:

Adrienne: Nay with wording

Hilo: we’d support to change policy with wording

Leeward: we’d support to change policy with wording

Adrienne: would be at the sacrifice of one’s education

Motion was made by 1st Caucus Delegate Kaleo Gagne to approve the Franken Resolution by UH Manoa GSO, Second by 2nd Caucus Delegate Kanoe Elverna, the vote was 6-4 not in favor of the Resolution. (Motion not passed)

Campus Funding for Meetings- None of the campuses needed more than $300 for the funding of food for the caucus meetings.

Campus Reports:

UH Manoa- campus clean up day went well, working on an angel tree, Chancellor Apple wants to meet with student government once a month, learn to advocate and reach out to Legislature.

Manoa UH GSO- Had an advocacy event and it went well, they had 100 people that came and 30 mingled
Manoa Law School- Working on class availability for daytime students, passed resolution to oppose increase in bar fees (only explanation was that it was not increased for a number of years) campus wide security audit by consultant and then a plan being paid for by law school.

UH West Oahu: Had two delegates resign; sophomore class senator is filling it now

UH Hilo- CSO’S of the campus put together a fee increase for students, did presentation to Board of Regents, completed survey, next event study hall week extended from 10:00am- 4:00 am in the morning and food is served at midnight to all the students, new bookstore opens on Monday.

UH Maui College- Had a good meeting with the Board of Regents this past Thursday, also had a Thanksgiving Luncheon for all the students, facility, and staff if they brought three canned goods for the Food Bank, Great American Smoke Out on that day also. Upcoming events are our Holiday Celebration and 2nd Annual Angel Tree Event on December 6, 2012.

Honolulu CC- Still dealing with constructions, student life closed down due to damage and graffiti, had kick-off talk-story with Greenwood (30 people came), UHSC was discussed on air, and thanked us for support, discussion on bringing student participation on campuses to a system level in regards to budget

Kapiolani CC- Elections going on right now (5 nominees) Awards are given to all the students on the dean’s list, also have campus awareness for students, students are not making a report of events nothing is being done because it has to be addressed by the campus level

Kauai CC- Roof is no longer being beaten by pool sticks, working towards getting campus security, their budget committee is in place, their Vice-Chancellor is resigning, student government added on two new members of student government which makes 26 associate members, 13 senators, and 5 executive board members providing leadership and mentoring opportunities, bus pass is $20 added to student fees.

Leeward CC- Vice-Chancellor agreed to have designated smoking sections on campus, Math survey done and being assessed.

Windward CC- The campus had a luncheon for facility, students, and staff, also trying to get bus pass for students, canned food drive is going on this week for two weeks

Advisor Hokoana-
-Lyle is going with chancellor to BOR in January to get bus pass fee
-BOR: fee indexing, mandatory fees moved to 3% yearly for inflation, can appeal to president, but they have to bring it to the president
-Illegal immigrants, unanimously supported but document is flawed
-About Greenwood more made as her standing up to political pressures from Abercrombie
-ASUH keeping the RCAC?

**Committee Reports:**

**Budget and Finance:**
- Windward CC: student chairperson on every committee
- UH Manoa: ASUH has a meeting on Tuesday

**Academic Policy and Planning:**
- Open survey to all UH students will be sent out on Monday
- Need funding for students in UH system, session opens third Wednesday in January

**Executive Reports: (Neighborhood at large)**

**Oahu island at large (Mizusawa)** - RCAC law that the city voted on the way they select the Board of Regents. The advisor council screens the members. Takuda came to speak on how to better lobby at legislature

**Treasurer (Alexander)** - Balance in account $7,742.00

**Secretary** - Danette Arrojo (Data Director)
Nothing

**Chairperson (Tracey Imper)** - Talk to Manoa system wide, decided not to do that, athletic fee there is no real way to selectively do that, maybe a student discount

**Vice-Chairperson (Copeland)** - Contact list was edited, anyone that does not have a caucus t-shirt please let me know.

**Next meeting at Kapiolani CC**
**Meeting Adjourned at: 1:05 p.m.**