MINUTES OF THE REGENTS' COMMITTEE ON
BUDGET & LONG-RANGE PLANNING

Date: Thursday, June 3, 2004

Place & Time: Campus Center Conference Room 220
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
1:03 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Regents
Tanaka (presiding)
Bender
Haynes
Kakuda
Kawakami
Lagareta
Nunokawa
Tatibouet
Yamasato
Lee (ex-officio)

Others Present: David McClain, Acting President, University of Hawai'i
Sam Callejo, Chief of Staff
Linda Johnsrud, Interim Associate Vice President,
Office Vice President for Planning and Policy
Karl E. Kim, Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Jan Yokota, Director, Office of Capital Improvements
David Iha, Executive Administrator and Secretary of the Board
Carl Makino, Executive Assistant to the Board

Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes

Regent Nunokawa moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Regents' Committee on Budget and Long-Range Planning held on March 18, 2004 and Joint Committees on Community Colleges and Budget and Long-Range Planning held on March 18, 2004 and March 19, 2004. The motion was seconded by Regent Yamasato and unanimously carried.
Informational Briefing on University of Hawai‘i at West Oahu

Interim Associate Vice President Johnsrud informed that the West O‘ahu campus serves a purpose similar to the California State System. There are currently 832 students enrolled at West O‘ahu with a student teacher ratio of 13.5 and an average class size of 22. It costs approximately $9,827 to educate a student per FTE at West O‘ahu. She provided a chronology of the West O‘ahu accreditation which resulted in a notice of concern from the accrediting agency for sustaining institutional capacity. She explained that rather than merely being a broker of programs that West O‘ahu would be appropriate for healthcare and teacher preparation programs. However, faculty and facilities must be expanded and so added resources are necessary.

Interim Vice Chancellor Kim provided background on the planning assumptions he had developed for West Oahu. Twenty-seven percent of the population in the area are within the ages of 0-19. He also explained some of the development options which included partners with the private sector.

Director Yokota reported that Phase 1 would cost approximately $85 million. Phase 2 would be approximately $112.7 million and Phase 3 $166.1 million. She explained that in the future she would be coming to the Board for authorization to enter into partnerships.

Regent Tanaka said there needs to be a timeline developed and that $50 million for infrastructure must be built into the biennium budget. Regent Nunokawa agreed, but, in light of the cost, asked if West O‘ahu had a real chance or whether the administration should also look at other options such as developing the Big Island. Interim Vice Chancellor Kim reiterated that the population growth is Leeward O‘ahu. Regent Lagareta concurred with Regent Nunokawa as to whether buildings at such costs could be the answer. Regent Tanaka added that this may be why partnership proposals are necessary to see what can and cannot be done through joint efforts with the private sector.

Regent Tatibouet inquired if student housing was part of the equation. Director Yokota said that the adjacent area can provide some relief but no housing was planned. However, one must keep in mind that the bulk of the enrollment would come from that area and therefore immediate housing would not be a significant need.

Regent Tatibouet expressed concerns about the cost to the University at the expense of other parts of the University. Acting President McClain acknowledged this concern and said that the need for West O‘ahu is clearly documented and is a question of setting priorities through the State budget system.

In summary, Regent Tanaka stated that the University needs to get to the next step which would involve a development plan and private partnerships being solidified. Director
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Yokota said that by July she would bring in a development plan and also requirements for proposals in concept. Regent Tanaka added that there should be some feelers put out to determine if developers would be willing to do the infrastructure.

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Iha, Secretary

Dated: July 21, 2004

c: Chairperson Patricia Y. Lee
Members, Committee on Budget and Long-Range Planning
President Evan S. Dobelle
Vice President James R. W. Sloane
Vice President David McClain