

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I AT MĀNOA  
2465 Campus Road, Campus Center Room 211-A  
Honolulu Hawai'i 96822

General Senate Meeting #4 of the 93<sup>rd</sup> Senate  
Tuesday, June 21, 2005  
Campus Center 220

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Teichman called the meeting to order at 6:08pm in Campus Center 220.

**ROLL CALL**

Present	President Teichman, Interim Secretary Schneider, Treasurer Williamson, Senators-at-Large Crabbe, Senators Barry, Green, Hong, Koo, Lachman, Lewis, Okamoto, Shin, Wun [13]
Excused Absent	Senator-at-Large Jones [1]
On Leave	Senators-at-Large Petruno, Whitmore, Senators Dumaguin, Miyai, Ryan, Soga, Theune, Wimberley, Schaedel [9]
Unexcused Absent	Vice-President Ogata, Senators Carroll, Diaz, Gerhardt, Martinson, [6]
Advisor	Bonnyjean Manini [1]
Guest	David Gibbons [1]

**READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

None.

**OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

**President**

*Grant Teichman*

Reported there are four external vacancies, including the Standards Committee, Athletic Advisor Committee and Student Caucus. Recommended members not be on the Senate to expose more students [to student government].

**Vice-President**

No Report.

**Treasurer**

*Travis Williamson*

No report.

**Interim Secretary**

*Henry G. Schneider IV*

Requested that speakers be recognized before speaking to allow accurate recording of the minutes.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**Advisor**

*Bonnyjean Manini*

Reported she will be on vacation. Check in with Operations Advisor Lakeasha; CAPS Director Jan Javinar has signing rights. Lia, the ASUH Office staff and President Teichman can contact her by cell phone, if necessary.

**JUDICIAL BRANCH**

No report.

**STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Cultural & Ethnic Diversity**

No report.

**Elections**

Reported discussion of packets and voting booths at last meeting. There will be a meeting next week.

**External Affairs**

*Chair Barry*

Reported discussion of web site and Student Service and Leadership Distinction Program at last meeting.

**Finance**

*Chair Wun*

No report.

**Internal Affairs**

*Interim Chair Green*

Reported there would be a meeting on Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm.

**Investments & Long Range Planning**

*Chair Lachman*

Reported discussion of the goals of the committee and long-term projects at last meeting.

**Undergraduate Academic Affairs**

*Chair Jones*

Reported there would be a meeting on Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm.

**Undergraduate Student Affairs**

*Chair Lewis*

Reported there was a meeting last week.

**OTHER COMMITTEES**

**Western Accreditation for Schools and Colleges Committee (WASCC)**

*Senator Barry*

Reported that they validate the diplomas. There was an appeals process after the firing of former President Dobelle. They analyze communication styles in the colleges between administration offices; committees will look at that. There will be a visit in October for the university's 10-year accreditation.

**Food & Service Committee**

*Senator Lachman*

Reported there was a meeting last week. Sodexo has proposed a price increase; the committee advises the person that will make the approval. The increase will most likely be approved.

*Senator Barry*

Queried what is the policy for the approval?

*Senator Lachman*

Clarified that the committee can make a recommendation. The increase is not that large; if we allow the increase now, it gives leverage later. The prices of gas and chicken have been increased. The dilemma is to back off in services or increase prices; it comes down to seven cents per meal.

*Interim Secretary Schneider*

Queried where are these price increases going to occur?

*Senator Lachman*

Clarified both block and meal plans and some of prices at the outlets.

*President Teichman*

Queried how many Senators have meal plans? [*Approximately three raised hands.*]

*Senator Barry* Queried if quality will be maintained?

*Guest Gibbons* Reported that the quality is pretty poor already. The food is poor and Sodexo is bad everywhere, their sources are bad. There aren't a variety of food choices.

*President Teichman* Queried if the Food Service committee has input into the menus?

*Senator Lachman* Clarified that they can offer suggestions.

*Guest Gibbons* Reported there is no consistency; no variety and all choices are the same.

*President Teichman* Queried if the committee can recommend the increase to maintain quality at least, or find some other sources to make up for increase?

*Senator Hong* Concurred that she thinks the food is okay, but does not support the increase.

*Senator Shin* Requested clarification.

*Senator Koo* Queried if it will affect the food students buy at school?

*Senator Lachman* Reported that the meals plan increase will occur first; the second proposal is to increase the prices in the cafeteria. Vendors in the cafeteria are subcontracted; prices are laid out in the contracts.

*Treasurer Williamson* Queried if the committee is able to influence the decision?

*Senator Lachman* Reported that it is not that close by votes. The chair recommends and Sodexo will most likely support.

*Senator Barry* Queried how will Senator Lachman, as a member, will vote? Will he take a stand?

*Senator Lachman* Reported that he has not decided yet.

*Senator Barry* Queried if he will be the voice of the students?

*Senator Lachman* Clarified that the vote choice is his, but he will support students. He believes that the committee should say yes this time, so that next time the increase won't be so big.

*Senator Barry* Queried if the committee can recommend that we should change vendors?

*Senator Lachman* Sodexo's contract is up for renewal in 2008. He believes that they will pull out, until then we have to work with them.

*Senator Barry* Queried if there was a census that students don't yet feel that is good?

*Senator Lachman* Reported that Sodexo has increased its services in the past six years; they are making moves to what students wanted. They are bringing in outside vendors, providing more cultural foods and remodeling; quality has improved and they are making efforts. So he doesn't want it to go back down.

*Senator Koo* Concurr that since the cost of resources are going up, the increase makes sense. She would suggest basing vote on their intention of bringing in more vendors. Can you vote aye, but with reservations?

*Senator Barry* Queried that Sodexo is bringing in big names, rather than local places, so maybe should look at bringing costs down, rather than bringing in big names; are they passing down national charges and the cost of importing?

- Senator Lachman* Reported that he worked with them for food increases. It is a great idea to bring in local vendors, however, the cost of liability insurance to serve on campus is very high and lots of local vendors can't afford it.
- Advisor Manini* Advised that Yummys is local based; Ono Ponos is local; Bale is also a local vendor.
- Senator Lachman* Reported that on surveys for the past four years, 80% of polls found that Hawai'i wanted Jamba Juice. So they are moving in the right direction. We need to support the \$15 increase to get more services. Sodexho does also sponsor homecoming.
- Senator Lewis* Queried when will the committee vote?
- Senator Lachman* Reported on the 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Senator Lewis* Requested that Senator Lachman please report back to the Senate.
- Senator Green* Concurr that no one wants to see an increase because the food quality is not up to standards. However, cost increase now is better than later when they ask for more money. Is there a way Senator Lachman's vote can be made with reservations?
- Senator Lachman* Understands that students do not support the increase and will convey to the Food Service Committee and Sodexho that the current quality is not up to par.
- Treasurer Williamson* Queried if there is a bidding process for those open spots [on campus]?
- Senator Lachman* Reported that the campus has an agreement with Sodexho; they have the sole right to campus vending except for a few areas. Sodexho gets them filled in by subcontractors. There are other places under the Food Service Committee, but separate contracts come from Sodexho. Campus Center leases out the Subway space; Manoa Gardens sublets to Bale and bidded to Sodexho.
- Treasurer Williamson* Conjectures that since they are already making profits, they want to make more money to keep profits high.
- Senator Lachman* Reported that Sodexho is actually losing money on campus; a percentage of sales goes back to UH.
- Senator Koo* Concurr that everyone raises prices, but how does the points/blocks system work?
- President Teichman* [Explains points/blocks system.]

**Discussion ended.**

**Ad Hoc Homecoming Committee**

- Senator Lachman* Reported that there was a meeting with only Senator Wun where they discussed how to handle the event. He will call another meeting; it was posted in office.
- Senator Shin* Reported that he never got any information [about the meeting].
- Senator Lachman* Reported that the office sends out information, although he didn't notice the meeting being emailed.
- President Teichman* Requested that all meetings be posted and emailed.

**SPECIAL ORDERS**

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS & GENERAL ORDERS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Senate Resolution**  
**MOTION**

To call to the floor SCR #05 regarding SR #01-06.

**Motion approved viva voce, without objection.**

**MOTION**

To accept SR #01-06 Board of Regents Commendation.

**MOTION**

To amend the SR number from "01-06" to "02-06."

**Motion approved viva voce, without objection.**

**Discussion**

*Senator Barry*

Discussed the resolution that commends Dr. Patricia Lee and Mr. Trent K. Kakuda on their way out. They were both open and honest with student population; as compared to previously when students were asked to leave [meetings]; they followed-up on working things out. We would like to commend them on efforts despite the tuition increase. There are also two cards to sign, if the Resolution passes and there will be a meeting tomorrow to say bye.

**MOTION**

To call to Question SR #02-06 Board of Regents Commendation.

**Motion approved viva voce, with one abstention [Wun].**

**MOTION**

To recall SR #02-06 Board of Regents Commendation.

*President Teichman*

Motion to recall must be by 2/3 majority vote.

Roll Call Vote on Recall

**Ayes:** Interim Secretary Schneider, Treasurer Williamson, Senator-at-Large Crabbe, Senators Barry, Green, Hong, Koo, Lachman, Lewis, Okamoto, Shin [11]

**Nays:** [0]

**Abstain** Wun [1]

**Motion approved viva roll call vote 11-0-1.**

**MOTION**

To amend SR #02-06 to add Aikane Lewis as an introducer; her name was on the original document; it was omitted when sent to staff.

**Motion approved viva voce, without objection.**

*President Teichman*

Requested any further discussion or amendments.

**MOTION**

To accept SR #02-06 Board of Regents Commendation.

Roll Call Vote to Pass

**Ayes:** Interim Secretary Schneider, Treasurer Williamson, Senator-at-Large Crabbe, Senators Barry, Green, Hong, Koo, Lachman, Lewis, Okamoto, Shin [11]

**Nays:** [0]

**Abstain** Wun [1]

**Motion approved viva roll call vote 11-0-1.**

**MOTION**

To recall to the floor SCR #05 regarding SR #02-06.

Roll Call Vote to Recall

**Ayes:** Interim Secretary Schneider, Treasurer Williamson, Senator-at-Large Crabbe, Senators Barry, Green, Hong, Koo, Lachman, Lewis, Okamoto, Shin [11]

**Nays:** [0]

**Abstain** Wun [1]

**Motion approved viva roll call vote 11-0-1.**

**MOTION**

To amend the SR number from "01-06" to "02-06."

Roll Call Vote to Pass

**Ayes:** Interim Secretary Schneider, Treasurer Williamson, Senator-at-Large Crabbe, Senators Barry, Green, Hong, Koo, Lewis, Okamoto, Shin, Wun [11]

**Nays:** [0]

**Abstain** Lachman [1]

**Motion approved viva roll call vote 11-0-1.**

**Committee Goals**

*President Teichman*

Requested that committees think of goals for the year and report back to him. Encourage promoting ASUH awareness on campus; committees can tailor [that theme] to their own needs.

**OPEN FORUM**

**Meetings**

*Treasurer Williamson*

Queried if there will be an Executive Committee meeting during finals? And if there will be a General Senate meeting the day after holiday?

*President Teichman*

Stated that we could change the date or not have it at all; will allow as an excused absence for those that cannot attend. The 92<sup>nd</sup> Senate still had meetings [during finals]. Currently he will call the meeting, but will keep only the important issues; if nothing comes up, he will cancel.

*Senator Green*

Clarified that the Rules state that meetings have to occur to take care of business; but there are no stipulations to the number of meetings required.

*President Teichman*

Queried about rate sheets if there are no meetings?

- Senator Wun* Stated that if there is no business, then it can be considered that they are working effectively [as a committee].
- Advisor Manini* Interjected that everyone still has duties as a committee, even though there is no legislation pending; so suggested that committees should still meet.
- Senator Green* Clarified that Senate Rule 17-1 states that each committee has duties, as well as measures that have to be taken care of, so if that is not done, then it is considered negligence.
- Treasurer Williamson* Queried how much responsibility does the Senate have during summer?
- President Teichman* Suggested committees meet at least once a month, it's not in the Rules, but good for the association; check Rule 17 [to see committee duties].

### **Elections**

- Senator Okamoto* [Prompted President Teichman to speak report about Senator-at-Large Petrino.]
- President Teichman* Reported that Senator-at-Large Petrino resigned from the Senate for personal reasons. The next person with the most votes get voted into the position. The Internal Affairs Committee gives 15 days for that person to respond, in this case by July 1<sup>st</sup>. The Elections Committee will contact; they will work down the list until it is expired. Currently Senator Dumaguin is in Tahiti, so if there is no response, will offer [the position] during Special Elections [in the Fall].
- Guest Gibbons* Questioned if the Elections Committee is responsible to contact the Senator, would that be a conflict of interest?
- President Teichman* Clarified that the Senator is not the chair, so it would not be one.
- Advisor Manini* Suggested that Internal Affairs take care of the issue so there is no bias.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

#### **MOTION**

To adjourn the meeting at 7:03pm.

**Motion approved viva voce, without objection.**