## THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I

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Executive Senate Meeting #17 of the 104<sup>th</sup> Senate Wednesday, February 8, 2017

# **OPENING**

Call to Order

President Kamoshida called the meeting to order at 6:03PM in CC 310.

**Roll Call** 

Present: President Kamoshida, Vice President Dela Cruz,

Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Enriquez,

Willis, Senators Finau, Honda, Ishii, Lao, Wang [10]

**Excused Absent:** Senator-at-Large Urasaki [1]

Unexcused Absent: [0]

Excused Late: Senator-at-Large Chen [1]

Unexcused Late: [0]

**Excused Early Departure:** [0]

Unexcused Early Departure: [0]

On Leave: [0]

Advisor: [0]

Senator Klinestiver, Senator Delos Reyes, Kevin Guests:

Harrison [3]

#### **Reading and Approval of Minutes**

a. EMM#16 - January 25, 2017

SAL Lao Move to accept the reading and approval of minutes for EMM#16.

SAL Willis

Senator Lao Move to correct all grammatical, typographical, formatting, and Hawaiian diacritical

mark errors.

SAL Chen Second.

Motion carries.

Senator Ishii Move to strike Senator Omokawa under the Roll Call.

SAL Chen Second.

Motion carries.

SAL Chen Move to add Senator Honda to the Roll Call. Senator Wang Second.

Motion carries.

Motion carries.

#### **Official Correspondence**

## **REPORTS**

# Executive

# President

a. Office Hours

President Kamoshida As mentioned

As mentioned last meeting, I would like to establish office hours for Executive

Committee Members. Please indicate what day and time you are available by this Friday.

Once this is done I will send an email to the undergraduates.

b. Legislative Updates

a. HB 967 & SB 1164 (Relating to Student Mental Health)

President Kamoshida SAL Enriquez and Senator Delos Reyes went to the committee hearings for these bills.

They can talk more about this during SAL Enriquez's report. SB 1164 was approved and

HB 967 was deferred to tomorrow.

c. Open Education Resources

a. OER Student Textbook Survey

President Kamoshida I talked about this last general senate meeting. I will send a link for the student textbook

survey. Our graphic artist Eileen created an ad. If you can share this on your social

media I would greatly appreciate it.

SAL Chen Would you like us to table?

President Kamoshida We will be having Open Education Week in March. We will need to table during this

week. I requested to make quarter sheet copies of the ad so we can pass them around.

d. Course Evaluation System Draft Question

President Kamoshida I sent out an email about this. If you can provide your feedback by this Friday that would

be greatly appreciated.

e. Meeting with Chairs and Vice-Chairs

President Kamoshida I sent out an excel sheet. Please indicate what date and time works best for you. Please

fill this out by this Friday.

# Vice President

Vice President Dela Cruz I am currently planning the retreat. It will most likely be during the first weekend of

March. I also plan on bringing the words of affirmation back. Also, please sign up and donate to Relay-For-Life. It is a great way for us to bond, to give back to the community and to put ourselves out there. Lastly, the Student Caucus had a meeting on Saturday.. The Caucus made formal stances on what bills they want to support. Caucus supports SB 11-64 and house companion with emphasis of supporting mental health services across all campuses. HB 15-91 and 15-94, regarding the Hawai'i Promise Program bills, is also supported. SB 4-29 is also supported. There are other bills the Caucus is looking at to form a stance on. We will be reporting back to the Caucus on what our student governments have a stance on. I will email you a list of what we have a stance on an

what we still need a stance on.

Treasurer

**Secretary** 

Secretary Nishihara No report.

**Administrative** 

Judicial Branch

**Standing Committees** 

**Campus Life** 

Chairperson Finau

We just had our meeting. The first thing we talked about was a Manoa stream cleanup. Campus Life is trying to plan community events, which I feel is important. This will most likely happen on April 22nd. I am still waiting to hear more details. We also talked about the blood drive, which will happen on April 11th. We are still figuring out the details for it. We are trying to approve everything early for Sinclair Study Nights so we do not have any discrepancies as has happened last semester. Sunday we will have pizza, Monday will be milk tea, Tuesday will be stir-fry, Wednesday will be malasadas, and Thursday will be pasta. We will present more information later once it is finalized.

**Elections** 

Chairperson Wang

This week is the candidate orientation. One candidate has scheduled an orientation on Friday. Jaclyn Sakamoto has filled the Colleges of Arts and Sciences position.

**External Affairs** 

VC Delos Reyes

Yesterday, HB 967 and SB 1164 were heard in their respective committees. Thank you to Chair Enriquez for filling in and your support. President Kamoshida had a family emergency. With his help, former President Richard Mizusawa, Dr. Tanouye and Dr. Ideta, we attended both hearings simultaneously. Chair Enriquez and I gave testimonies. SB 1164 was passed unanimously, but HB 967 was deferred to tomorrow night. While I was looking through the testimony, I was thoroughly underwhelmed to see the lack of support from our Senate, in terms of both of these bills, especially because it is our role to speak on behalf of all of our respective constituencies. With that said, I hope we will continue to work together as the Senate because there are people in here who have their names on the resolution expressedly stating we support these initiatives. We have an External Affairs meeting tomorrow. Our graphics designer created an ad for both of these bills. We will also be scheduling tabling to spread more awareness and get feedback from the students on how they feel about both of these pieces of legislation.

Chairperson Enriquez

I would like to add that I am grossly disappointed at the lack of effort you are putting into these resolutions. Vice Chair Delos Reyes has been particularly taking initiative to inform Senate to submit and write testimonies, and I can't fathom that senators of this degree have forgotten the purpose of ASUH. We are not here to give scholarships or RIO funding. Our purpose is to advocate on behalf of students, and I have no idea how I can get this through to you guys. What is at stake here are students, and I ask you on their behalf to do your job and advocate on behalf of them. I know that things are going on, but there is a reason why you are here, which is to advocate for students, and I cannot express how embarrassed I was to present testimony to prestigious members of our community only to see a handful of testimonies. I want to remind you that this institution is able to make change, but that change will not happen without your support. You are representing your constituents. If you cannot do that, I would question why you are here. I will send out a testimony template for HB 967. This will be sent out after this meeting if you want to use this. The testimony submission period has been closed, however there is an alternative via Senator Woodson's office. I am willing to stay up and wait to collect such letters. HB 15-91 and 15-94 are coming up tomorrow. We have written a resolution previously relating to the Hawai'i Promise Program, which provides for kama'aina students. It is up to you to speak on behalf of your constituents.

**Finance** 

Chairperson Honda We may have to special the RIO funding bill. We are having two RIO presentations

since they were unable to attend the hearings.

**Internal Affairs** 

Chairperson Lao We had a meeting this week Monday. I drafted a rule revision and sent out the

apportionment statistics to President Kamoshida and Elections Chair Wang.

**Investments and Long Range Planning** 

Chairperson Willis A couple of weeks ago we had correspondence with Graystone and expressed our

concerns on the contract. I talked with my Vice Chair about some long range planning

ideas.

**Student Affairs** 

Chairperson Ishii We are done with identifying different portions of the UPASS survey. Now, I am

beginning to create a presentation. We will be having a meeting next week.

**Undergraduate Academic Affairs** 

Chairperson Chen The study abroad and general scholarships will close on February 24th, and the research

awards will close on March 3rd. Please remind your constituent to get these in on time.

**SPECIAL ORDERS** 

**NEW BUSINESS** 

a. Awards for Service Appeal: Adora Klinestiver.

SAL Chen Move to accept the stipend appeal for Senator Klinestiver, pending attendance and ratings

meet the requirements.

Senator Wang Second

Senator Delos Reyes I want to reiterate that I did everything I needed to do. I didn't know you could get your

stipend in December, since the month is short. I only found out when we came back to

school in January. That is why I am here now.

ROLL CALL VOTE FOR SENATOR KLINESTIVER'S AWARDS FOR SERVICE APPEAL

Aye(s): Vice-President Dela Cruz, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Chen, Enriquez, Willis, Senators Finau,

Honda, Ishii, Wang [9]
Naye(s): Senator Lao [1]

Abstain(s):[0]

Motion carries

b. Awards for Service Appeal: Jannah Dela Cruz

SAL Willis Move to accept the stipend appeal for Vice President Dela Cruz, pending attendance and

ratings meet the requirements.

SAL Chen Second.

VP Dela Cruz I'd like to express that the reason I didn't submit it on time is because I had a lot of work

to do for ASUH Week. I did it the morning after it was due.

Senator Lao I think we talked about this last time. As Advisor Manini mentioned last time, it's not an

appropriate reason to appeal a stipend if you simply forgot to submit your rate sheet.

VP Dela Cruz I do want to legitimize my appeal. I feel that I deserve the Award for Service because of

the work I did.

SAL Enriquez Given the tasks Vice President Dela Cruz was given, I believe this is in a different

echelon from other Senators due to what she has contributed to ASUH. The work one

inputs should be taken into account for such stipend appeals.

Senator Finau I worked alongside her and know the stress that was on everyone on the planning

committee, and I don't believe it is fair to deny someone of their stipend for the work

they did.

Senator Ishii I think these stipend appeals should be handled on a case-by-case basis. If we know a

senator is active, something like this shouldn't stop them from getting their award for

service.

Senator Honda I think the way we award awards for service should be reviewed.

SAL Enriquez Move to call the question.

Senator Lao Second.

Motion carries.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE FOR VICE PRESIDENT DELA CRUZ'S AWARDS FOR SERVICE APPEAL

Aye(s): Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Chen, Enriquez, Willis, Senators Finau, Honda, Ishii, Lao, Wang [9]

Naye(s): [0]

Abstain(s): Vice President Dela Cruz [1]

Motion carries

c. Senate Bill 23-17: To Appropriate Funding for a College Student Mental Health Luncheon

President Kamoshida I refer SB 23-17 to Finance.

d. Senate Bill 24-17: Sinclair Study Nights

President Kamoshida I refer SB 24-17 to Finance.

e. Senate Resolution 13-17: In Support of Hawaiian Enfranchisement *President Kamoshida* I refer SR 13-17 to the External Affairs Committee.

f. Senate Resolution 14-17: In Support of Increased Security at UH Mānoa Student Housing Facilities

President Kamoshida I refer SR 14-17 to the Student Affairs Committee.

g. Senate Resolution 15-17: In Support of the Establishment of a Youth Advisory Commission

President Kamoshida I refer SR 15-17 to the External Affairs Committee.

h. Senate Revision 03-17

President Kamoshida I refer RR 03-17 to the Internal Affairs Committee.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

# **OPEN FORUM**

President Kamoshida I'll send out an email reminder for all introducers to upload their legislation onto Kaulike.

President Kamoshida Due to the fact that Maggie resigned from her Treasurer position, and nobody turned in

an application to run for Treasurer, if you know of anyone willing and interested to be

interim Treasurer please feel free to let me know privately.

Senator Finau For future reference, relating to what I said last meeting about possibly paying vendors

half of the fee before the event and the other half after, that is not allowed. Now we do

purchase orders.

Senator Delos Reyes Eileen has completed a facebook ad for the bills relating to mental health. When these

ads are finished, I will make a post that everyone can share.

President Kamoshida I also would like to remind you to submit your testimonies to SAL Enriquez.

SAL Enriquez I am expecting your letters.

**CLOSING Adjournment** 

SAL Willis Motion to Adjourn

Senator Finau Second.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Historian

Scott Nishihara Secretary, 104<sup>th</sup> Senate