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

General Senate Meeting #14 of the 110<sup>th</sup> Senate January 30, 2023, 6:00pm Hybrid

#### **OPENING**

#### A. Call to Order

President Ramirez called the meeting to order at 4:49 pm on Zoom.

#### B. Roll Call

Present: [16] President Ramirez, Vice President Kasal-Barsky, SAL Chen, SAL Dizon, SAL Hermoso, Senator Crowell, Senator Dulai, Senator Goo, Senator Kang, Senator Katayama, Senator Sydney Kim, Senator Lum, Senator Martin, Senator Sambrano, Senator Yamaguchi, Senator Yee

Excused Absent: [10] Secretary Cha, Treasurer Luboviski, SAL Stephens, Senator Genova, Senator Sara Kim, Senator Santiago, Senator Stewart, Senator Tran, Senator Unutoa, Senator Vizcarra

Unexcused Absent: [5] Senator Bruce, Senator Horn, Senator Guitierrez, Senator McCartan, Senator Tollett

Excused Late: [0]

Unexcused Late: [0]

Excused Early Departure: [0]

Unexcused Early Departure: [0]

On Leave: [0]

Advisor: [1] Advisor Manini

Ex Officio: [0]

Guests: [0]

# C. Reading & Approval of Minutes

#### a. 110GSM13 12062022 DRAFT Minutes

President Ramirez May I entertain a motion to approve the meeting minutes?

Senator Dulai Set motion.

Senator Martin Second.

President Ramirez Thank you so much. Meeting minutes have been approved.

We're gonna move onto executive reports.

- D. Official Correspondence
- E. Testimony

# **REPORTS**

#### A. Executive

- a. President
  - i. Reached out to a few people about this to start doing some planning and initiatives.
- b. Vice-President
  - i. Worked with Student Affairs and Nikhil on initiatives to work on
  - ii. Working on the UPASS survey for the this year as well
  - iii. We also had our training with Jamie and that went really well too
  - iv. Our resolution for naming the life sciences building got approved by the Board of Regents
- c. Treasurer
  - i. No report.
- d. Secretary
  - i. No report.

# B. Administrative

- a. Advisor
  - i. No report.
- b. Operations Manager

President Ramirez

We can move onto standing committee reports.

#### C. Judicial Branch

# **D. Standing Committees**

President Ramirez

We have Jason's report.

a. Campus Life

# **Our Progress**

- Working on setting up Open Mic

#### **Our Plans**

- Will discuss other events we want to do in future

#### Issues

- None

#### Miscellaneous

- None

#### b. Elections

# **Our Progress**

Haven't met to discuss timeline

# **Our Plans**

- None

#### Issues

- None

# Miscellaneous

- None

# c. External Affairs

# Chairperson Goo

# **Our Progress**

- Event at Royal Hawaiian on Feb 3rd (4:45-5:45)
- Started working on promotion items, creating spreadsheet
- Working on uniforms

#### Our Plans

- None

# Issues

- None

#### Miscellaneous

- None

# d. Finance

# Chairperson Chen

# **Our Progress**

- Total 50 RIO applicants completed orientation
- Starting interviews on Feb 3
- Updating Finance Transaction Sheet

# **Our Plans**

- FIN meeting on Wed, Feb 1, 7PM

#### Issues

- None

#### Miscellaneous

- None

#### e. Internal Affairs

#### **Our Progress**

Setting up meeting soon (sending invites today)

#### **Our Plans**

- None

#### Issues

- None

#### Miscellaneous

- None

# f. Investments and Long Range Planning

# **Our Progress**

- Had RIO meeting last week

# **Our Plans**

- None

#### Issues

- None

#### Miscellaneous

- None

# g. Student Affairs

# President Ramirez

# **Our Progress**

- None

#### **Our Plans**

- None

Issues

- None

Miscellaneous

- None

h. Undergraduate Academic Affairs

**Our Progress** 

- None

Our Plans

- None

Issues

- None

Miscellaneous

- None

President Ramirez Let's move down to unfinished business.

E. Ad-Hoc

# **SPECIAL ORDERS**

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & GENERAL ORDERS**

- A. SB 13-23 TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR HYBRID MEETING EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE
  - 1. AMENDED SB 13-23 TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR HYBRID MEETING EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE

President Ramirez We were looking to make our meetings more successful especially when we have people who come and testify and there'll be a better way to have them be better engaged. Jason was mentioning a way to use a type of equipment for that. Kate and I in the fall got a meeting minutes software so we're thinking of using the same bill to reexamine better support for that bill.

SAL Chen I would like to move to recall SB 13-23.

Senator Lum Second.

SAL Chen This bill was passed September 2022 and since it was only pertaining to the software I thought it would be better to add the camera as well.

# 34 MAJORITY ROLL CALL VOTE TO RECALL SENATE BILL 13-23 TO TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR HYBRID MEETING EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky Majority has it.

President Ramirez We have the bill on the floor. These are things we can motion

to amend to the bill. You can motion to make the adjustments.

SAL Chen I would like to entertain the motion to replace the current bill

with this amended version.

Sen Dulai Second.

President Ramirez If there's any discussion, please do so at this time. There are no

discussions, so Hayden can you do a roll call to approve the amendments?

# ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE AMENDED SENATE BILL 13-23 TO TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR HYBRID MEETING EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky The ayes have it.

President Ramirez The amendments have been approved.

Advisor Manini Rudy, You have to adopt it because this act has already been

passed so motion to readopt with all the amendments and you need ¾ vote.

President Ramirez May I entertain a motion to readopt the amendments to SB 13-

23?

Senator Lum Set motion.

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky Second.

# 3/4 ROLL CALL VOTE TO READOPT AMENDED SENATE BILL 13-23 TO TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR HYBRID MEETING EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky The ayes have it.

President Ramirez Thank you so much. SB 13-23 has been readopted.

#### B. RECALL FY '23 BUDGET

# 1. PROPOSED AMENDED SA 01-23 ESTABLISHING THE ASUH BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023

President Ramirez Moving on, in July, we were looking at approval of our FY '23 budget schedule. We were gonna recall this and reallocate surplus funds and also we had a difference in terms of revenue projected and investment portfolio advisors and they gave us a number that was conducted in their system because in our data, we used reports that didn't showcase the final cycle earnings. So there was a new figure we were given that will be the accurate projection. It's a little over \$1,000 that would go to general funds. May I entertain a motion to recall FY '23 budget?

Sen Martin Set motion.

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky Second.

President Ramirez Thank you so much. Any discussions or questions before we

vote to move it to the floor?

#### 3 MAJORITY ROLL CALL VOTE TO RECALL FY '23 BUDGET

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky Majority has it and revisions have been approved.

President Ramirez The bill has been approved to be on the floor. Just a reminder we have a clause to make sure we follow through with that. The allocation of surplus funds we still have provisions that we readjusted to the general fund.

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Advisor Manini Did treasurer and finance look at this separately so there are ayes on it that are checking numbers to make sure they're accurate?

President Ramirez

Jason has already examined it already along with the rest of the finance members. The treasurer I tried to meet with him Saturday morning to go over this but there were some complications but he was emailed the differences and revenues.

Advisor Manini Healani advises the finance team and I do not. Has Healani also have the opportunity to look at this to make sure the numbers and adjustments are accurate? Has finance committee had a meeting?

SAL Chen We're meeting on Wednesday.

Advisor Manini

So you guys are voting on this before the finance committee votes? So finance hasn't looked at this? When there are changes to the budget, there should be checks and balances in terms of changes that have been made. So it sounds like Rudy made changes, Jason looked at it, and finance hasn't looked at it. Usually, the budget goes through the committee.

Sometimes it does get special ordered depending on timing but that's in the initial construction of the budget. Now they're making changes to what we are concluding our "surpluses" in different areas. So that takes more examination and having multiple sets of eyes look at it on behalf of the senate is important. If we pass this tonight and there are problems and it has to go through the senate again so another readoption. So in terms of expedition, it won't get held back and will go straight to the Vice Provost Office for them to review and approve. Since I've not seen this before and no one communicated this to me, I can vouch that all the numbers are accurate. I'd like to know if we've done our due diligence at the student level and we'll have to do ours from the full time employee level. If you pass it with the amendments, hopefully everything is in order but if not, then it'll get sent back and has to get revised again.

President Ramirez Thank you, we'll keep this in mind when motioning.

Sen Goo Sorry, Bonny do you just recommend we table this until finance

looks over it?

Advisor Manini

I think the senate still has money to operate right now so these changes are not needed tonight because you can still allocate funding for bills. So before you make changes, doing due diligence is important. I would suggest tabling this so we can make it is accurate and

SAL Chen I would like to entertain the motion to table this.

Sen Goo Second.

correct and get finance and Healani to look over this.

President Ramirez Any discussions? Can we get a ⅓ vote?

Advisor Manini You only need majority. ⅓ is for readoption.

MAJORITY ROLL CALL VOTE TO TABLE FY '23 BUDGET

Vote was unanimous with one abstention;

Motion carries.

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky Majority has it.

President Ramirez Thank you. We're gonna move onto the next item.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

#### A. PM#26 RELATING TO THE GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

President Ramirez May I entertain a motion to bring PM #26 onto the floor?

Sen Goo Set motion.

Sen Lum Second.

President Ramirez These are the delegates. Please let me know if you have any

questions. I'll give a few seconds. May I entertain a motion to approve PM#26?

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky Set motion.

Sen Goo Second.

President Ramirez For this one we can unmute. For those who approve, unmute

and say, "aye to approve or nay".

#### VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE PM#26 RELATING TO THE GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

President Ramirez Sounds like the ayes have it.

#### **B. PM#28 RELATING TO THE STUDENT CAUCUS DELEGATES**

President Ramirez May I entertain a motion to approve PM#28?

Sen Lum Set motion.

Sen Martin Second.

President Ramirez So we have no external affairs people so Miguel would be one

of the delegates. May I entertain a motion to approve PM#28?

Sen Lum Set motion.

Sen Goo Second.

President Ramirez I'm gonna do voting by unmuting one more time for approval.

When you're ready, unmute your mic.

#### **VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE PM#28 RELATING TO THE STUDENT CAUCUS DELEGATES**

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

President Ramirez Sounds unanimous. PM#28 has been approved.

#### C. PM#30 RELATING TO THE MO'OLELO LEGISLATIVE FELLOW

President Ramirez May I entertain a motion to bring PM#30 onto the floor?

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky Set motion.

Sen Goo Second.

President Ramirez May I entertain a motion for approving PM#30?

Sen Goo Set motion.

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky Second.

President Ramirez One more time please unmute your mic to vote.

# **VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE PM#30 RELATING TO THE MO'OLELO LEGISLATIVE FELLOW**

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

President Ramirez Sounds unanimous. PM#30 has been approved.

# D. PM#32 RELATING TO THE STUDENT RETENTION THINKTANK

President Ramirez May I entertain a motion to bring PM#32 onto the floor?

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky Set motion.

Sen Goo Second.

President Ramirez Sorry everybody, I have the wrong attachment. May I entertain a motion to move onto the next item? Sorry everybody.

# E. PM#33 RELATING TO THE ASSISTANT PROVOST FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT ADVISORY SEARCH

President Ramirez

May I entertain a motion to move onto PM#33 instead?

Sen Lum

Set motion.

Second.

President Ramirez

Thank you. I'm gonna give 25 more seconds. May I entertain a motion to approve PM#33?

Sen Martin

Set motion.

Second.

# VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE PM#33 RELATING TO THE ASSISTANT PROVOST FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT ADVISORY

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

President Ramirez Sounds unanimous. PM#33 has been approved.

# F. PM#34 RELATING TO THE COLLEGE OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURE AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEAN ADVISORY SEARCH

President Ramirez

May I entertain a motion to move onto PM#34?

Sen Lum

Set motion.

Sen Goo

Second.

President Ramirez I'm gonna give about 10 seconds. May I entertain a motion to

approve PM#34?

Sen Martin Set motion.

Sen Dulai Second.

# VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE PM#34 RELATING TO THE COLLEGE OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURE AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEAN ADVISORY SEARCH

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

President Ramirez Thank you so much. PM#34 has been approved.

#### G. PM#35 RELATING TO THE ASUH LEGISLATIVE FELLOW

President Ramirez May I entertain a motion to bring PM#35 on the floor?

Sen Martin Set motion.

Sen Lum Second.

President Ramirez I'm gonna give 10 more seconds. May I entertain a motion to

approve PM#35?

Sen Goo Set motion.

Sen Dulai Second.

# VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE PM#35 RELATING TO THE ASUH LEGISLATIVE FELLOW

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

President Ramirez Thank you so much. PM#35 has been approved.

# H. PM#36 RELATING TO THE JABSOM DEAN ADVISORY SEARCH

President Ramirez May I entertain a motion to bring PM#36 on the floor?

Sen Martin Set motion.

Sen Lum Second.

President Ramirez I'm gonna give 10 more seconds. May I entertain a motion to

approve PM#36?

Sen Martin Set motion.

Sen Lum Second.

# **VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE PM#36 RELATING TO THE JABSOM DEAN ADVISORY SEARCH**

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

President Ramirez Thank you so much. PM#36 has been approved.

#### I. PM#37 RELATING TO THE COMMISSION OF THE STATUS OF WOMEN

President Ramirez May I entertain a motion to bring PM#37 on the floor?

Sen Martin Set motion.

Sen Lum Second.

President Ramirez I'm gonna give 10 more seconds for this as well.

Sen Lum I motion to approve PM#37.

Sen Martin Second.

# VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE PM#37 RELATING TO THE COMMISSION OF THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

President Ramirez Thank you so much. PM#37 has been approved.

# J. PM#39 STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

President Ramirez	May I entertain a motion to approve PM#39?
Sen Martin	Set motion.
Sen Lum	Second.
President Ramirez	I'm gonna give a bit more time for this.
Sen Martin	May I entertain a motion to approve PM#36?

Second.

# **VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE PM#39 STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

President Ramirez Thank you so much. PM#39 has been approved. I need to grab the appropriate PM so I'm gonna ask for a recess break of 5 minutes. May I entertain a motion for a 5 minute recess?

Sen Martin Set motion.

Sen Dulai Second.

Sen Lum

# K. PM#32 RELATING TO THE STUDENT RETENTION THINKTANK

President Ramirez

Okay everybody, I apologize it took me a long time to find the PM so I need to do a ¾ majority approval to add the PM to the agenda. May I entertain a motion to add the PM relating to the student retention ThinkTank?

Sen Martin

Set motion.

Sen Dulai Second.

President Ramirez Since there's no discussion at this time, Hadyen can you do a

roll call to add the PM to the agenda?

# 34 MAJORITY ROLL CALL VOTE TO ADD PM#32 RELATING TO THE STUDENT RETENTION THINKTANK TO THE AGENDA

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky Majority has it.

President Ramirez Thank you so much. Let me share my screen.

Advisor Manini It still says Mo'olelo legislative fellow, did you strike that

verbage?

President Ramirez Thank you so much Bonny for catching that. I'm gonna give 10

more seconds.

Advisor Manini Change the date to Jan 30, it says 23.

President Ramirez Okay everybody. May I entertain a motion to approve PM #32?

Vice-President Kasal-Barsky Set motion.

Sen Martin Second.

#### **VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE PM#32 RELATING TO THE STUDENT RETENTION THINKTANK**

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.

President Ramirez Thank you so much. PM#32 has been approved.

Sen Martin May I make a motion? to waive the rules for section 22-2 to allow for more additional dates.

President Ramirez

Thank you so much for bringing that up. I was discussing with people. Because there has been trouble with meetings for committees, there is a rule that when it comes to meeting - I'm gonna bring up the rules. Like I said before, I'm thankful that finance committee is meeting this week. We've been having challenges for committees meeting and one of the things that could be a little more helpful is people have more guidance on when they can meet and weekends make it easier to meet. Because there's language in our rules that says, "may," to give the flexibility of meeting on weekends for more availability. There was a discussion to do a waiver on the rules.

Advisor Manini

The rule reads that the SEC, the senate and executive committee and the staff committee meetings may not be held on state holidays and then it addresses the senate and executive committee meetings may not be held on weekends. It does not say that the standing committee meetings may not be held on weekends so it's sounding like you're talking about standing committee meetings, not senate and executive committees. So what are you talking about right now, Kyle? because you're the one trying to make the motion.

Sen Martin

I guess I just misread it, to be honest. I misunderstood the way
the section was written and thought that standing committees weren't allowed on weekends which
would've been a big difficulty as I've taken on more responsibilities this year.

Advisor Manini

So the bottom line is that standing committees can meet but you all need to be sure you're meeting your 48 hour notice and it has to go out to the public.

Traditionally, it was through the bulletin board out in Campus Center, then you sent out through the senate online. If you're posting it online, please be consistent and follow through and get it out. The reason why weekends and holidays were brought up in these rules is because of the desire for the senate members to want students to access the meetings. That was before because meetings were virtual. So now with virtual, students can tune it more easily. Be conscious about getting that information out publicly so anyone interested can log in. The other thing is if you're trying to do hybrid or in person, weekends may be a challenge because of availability of facilities. Standing committees can

meet on weekends but senate, exec, and standing committees cannot meet on holidays.

Sen Martin

On that note you mentioned meetings used to be in person but now they're virtual. I was just thinking that maybe in the future we could do holidays, specifically only for standing committee meetings because availability is an issue. I would argue that a lot of state holidays would be best for students' flexibility.

Advisor Manini That's something you will all have to agree. I just wanna say if you do call Healani and it's a holiday, you will be paying her for her time out of your budget because of the nature of her contact. I just want you to understand the financial obligations.

President Ramirez Thank you everybody since we now no longer have quorum, we will be ending the meeting as of the last person who left.

#### **OPEN FORUM**

# **CLOSING**

#### A. Announcements

President Ramirez

Yes, thank you Quinn. There is an event coming up. If anyone can volunteer for the food vault, that would be great. Contact ASUH. Thank you everybody please have your committees meet sooner and plan some events.

# B. Adjournment

\*Meeting ended as of last person who left General Senate Meeting #14 was adjourned at 5:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Min Ji Cha Secretary