

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII  
2465 Campus Road, Campus Center Room 211A  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

General Senate Meeting #9 of the 104<sup>th</sup> Senate  
Wednesday, September 14, 2016

**OPENING**

**Call to Order**

President Kamoshida called the meeting to order at 6:01PM in HEM 204.

**Roll Call**

Present:	President Kamoshida, Vice-President Dela Cruz, Treasurer Hinshaw, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Callihan, Chen, Enriquez, Willis, Senators Crollard, Delos Reyes, Finau, Honda, Ikeda, Ishii, Klinestiver, Lao, Lee, Negrillo, Omokawa, Takagi, Urasaki, Utashiro, Wang, Yamada [24]
Excused Absent:	Senators Barrow, Gushikuma, Labrador [3]
Unexcused Absent:	Senators Bruno, McLaury [2]
Excused Late:	Senator Fong [1]
Unexcused Late:	[0]
Excused Early Departure:	[0]
Unexcused Early Departure:	[0]
On Leave:	[0]
Advisor:	Advisor Manini [1]
Guests:	April Goodwin, Kevin Harrison, Leslee Matthews, Miles Trudo [4]

**Reading and Approval of Minutes**

a. GSMM #8 - September 1, 2016	
<i>SAL Chen</i>	Move to accept the reading and approval of minutes for GSMM #8.
<i>Senator Lao</i>	Second.
<i>Senator Delos Reyes</i>	Move to correct all grammatical, typographical, formatting and Hawaiian diacritical mark errors.
<i>VP Dela Cruz</i>	Second. Motion carries.
<i>Secretary Nishihara</i>	Move to change under guests "Robin" to "Robin Matutina"
<i>VP Dela Cruz</i>	Second.

**THESE MINUTES HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE 104<sup>TH</sup> SENATE ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2016**

Motion carries.

Motion carries.

**Official Correspondence**

- a. Program Officer April Goodwin and Educational Specialist Lori Furoyama, Office of the Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs: Commencement Proposal

*April Goodwin*

How many of you are familiar with the Spring undergraduate Commencement Ceremony? Can you tell me how crazy it is and they lock people out? This is a problem with all of our Spring Commencement ceremonies, and has been. If you look at the two charts on the handout I provided for the last 10 years, not only have the number of graduates gone up, but the share of graduates who walk in the ceremony, which is usually one-third, is also increasing. We have an increasing number of graduates and an increasing number of graduates who want to participate which is also excellent, but we are very limited in capacity because the ceremony is in Stan Sheriff Center. So what we need to do is to figure out a way to make the undergraduate ceremony a little bit smaller and also make the advanced degree ceremony in the afternoon bigger. The amount in the undergraduate ceremony is 1800 and the amount in the graduate ceremony is around 700, which is a huge difference. Historically, we've had the undergraduate and graduate ceremonies separate in the spring and combined in the fall. We've explored a few different possibilities, but what we're proposing is that we divide the ceremony by college and school in the spring. We'd like to do a pilot and see how well it works out to have students walk with their college and school from undergraduates to graduates. One drawback is that all of the undergraduates will not be in the same ceremony - there will be two separate ceremonies. We would have an Arts & Sciences ceremony and all of the professional ceremonies will be in the afternoon ceremony. The division makes the two ceremonies of equal and comfortable size at around 1400. I work on the inside for the ceremony, but the ceremony has been a problem for those who work on the outside since they have to deal with such things as angry parents. There'll still be a crowd control issue but it'll be better than if there were 1800 or 1900 graduates. Unfortunately, a lot of parents have to go to the overflow stadium at Les Murakami. Since we don't do ticketing, we can't guarantee that parents will get in so there's often a huge blowup outside where parents are frustrated since they want to see their child graduate. They should be able to see their child graduate but we cannot guarantee that. We've explored providing tickets. The tickets will be problematic because there would be an issue with people not using their tickets, and then there will be empty seats, which would cause even more of an issue since people will see that there are empty seats. The ticket issue works for athletics but not for us. We took this to the deans and the Faculty Senate and they agreed that tickets are probably not the best option. You're the last governance group that we're reaching out to. If you approve this pilot we'll implement this in the Spring and we'll see how it goes. One thing we've heard informally from students is that you identify more with your department and not necessarily with the whole undergraduate or graduate body. Do you feel more connected to your school or college, or do you identify more with your whole class?

*Senator Klinestiver*

I don't have a lot of friends in my department, but I have a lot of friends outside of my department, so this would be a bummer for me. However, they might be able to come to my ceremony.

*Senator Negrillo*

I'd like to filter the question to those graduating next semester since it's only a pilot program that'll be implemented.

*Senator Delos Reyes*

I am a Political Science major and I identify more with the students in my college.

*Senator Ishii*

I also am more connected with Political Science major.

*Senator Crollard*

What if students have dual degrees?

*April Goodwin* Even now, we ask students to identify their primary major they would like to walk with. However, with this scenario, there would be an option for the student to walk twice. If they want to walk in both ceremonies with their majors that's fine.

*VP Dela Cruz* When did UH stop the summer commencement

*April Goodwin* I think that precedes me two or three years. I think that's because there weren't many people walking in the summer ceremony. My predecessor was the one who implemented the change. Students now can choose to walk in either ceremony.

*Senator Lao* Personally, I was more connected to the people outside the department. However, I don't see an alternative since there are valid concerns with the current number of attendees so I would be for this.

*Senator Wang* I think one major aspect of commencement for the students is the lei ceremony since this is the time where we see all of our friends. As long as we're still able to see our friends during this I don't think there should be a problem with this proposal.

*April Goodwin* If your ceremony was in the afternoon but your friends' ceremony was in the morning, would you come early to give them a lei?

*Senator Wang* I wouldn't go to both ceremonies. I would just go for the lei'ing part for the morning ceremony.

*SAL Chen* Have you polled students to see what they think will be best?

*April Goodwin* That's what we're doing here. We're asking governance to give us the blessing for the pilot. We chose to not take a survey because we felt we'd be asking them what they thought might happen without a concrete experience. We haven't done a survey. If you have any questions feel free to email me.

## **REPORTS**

### **Executive President**

a. Legislation Reminders (Deadline: Fridays at 5:00 pm)

*President Kamoshida* This is just a reminder that the deadline to submit legislation you want included in the agenda is at Fridays at 5:00 pm.

b. Executive Committee Meeting: September 21, 2016 (6:00PM in CC310)

*President Kamoshida* The next Executive Committee Meeting will be on September 21, 2016 at 6:00 PM in Campus Center 310.

### **Vice President**

*VP Dela Cruz* Welcome to ASUH! I sent an email to you asking for your availability to schedule our workshops and retreats and socials.

### **Treasurer**

*Treasurer Hinshaw* Vice chairs and chairs please turn in your attendance and meeting minutes within 4 business days of your meetings. We will be counting them towards your awards.

### **Secretary**

*Secretary Nishihara* Thank you for submitting your minutes and agendas and cooperating with our emails.

### **Administrative**

*Advisor Manini* We are going through our annual audit now. Chairs Chen and Omokawa are involved because they are looking at things such as RIO Funding and the Scholarships for Academic Affairs. Both chairs are involved with drafting the narratives that outline our procedures. The Treasurer and President are also involved. I'll keep you all posted. It takes a few months to go through this process.

*SAL Enriquez* What is the status of the budget?

*Advisor Manini* The budget is now with the Vice Chancellor of Students.

### **Judicial Branch**

### **Standing Committees**

#### **Campus Life**

*Chairperson Callihan* Thank you to those who filled out the sign-up sheet for constituency week. We do still need help on Tuesday, so please sign up if you are available. It will be at the Campus Center Courtyard from 11:00 - 12:30.

#### **Elections**

*Chairperson Wang* We are in the middle of the Fall Special Elections. General Packet submissions were closed at 4:00 PM.

a. Fall 2016 Special Elections Candidate List

*Chairperson Wang* Move to accept the Fall 2016 Special Elections Candidate List.

*SAL Chen* Second.

*Chairperson Wang* Two people are running for the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, 1 for the Shidler College of Business and 1 for the Hawai'i inuiākea School of Hawaiian Knowledge. If anyone would like to floor nominate a candidate, please write their name, email and student ID.

Floor Nominations for:

#### **College of Arts and Sciences**

- Adam Covens
- Kaley Vatalaro
- Michelle Park
- Cindy Ng
- Micah Leval
- Timothy Gract
- William Arenivas
- Starshine Chun
- Richard Ho
- Dori Simone Santos

#### **College of Engineering**

- Eduardo Zabanal Jr.

#### **School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology**

- Ariel Lorenzen

*Chairperson Wang* Move to accept the names added onto the list today as floor nominations.

*Senator Delos Reyes* Second.

Motion carries.

Motion carries.

#### **External Affairs**

*Chairperson Enriquez* Please look out for an email. I'll be sending out a quick survey on what issues for students we will be bringing up to the state legislature. External Affairs Committee, please keep an eye out for a doodle.

**Finance**

*Chairperson Omokawa* We had a meeting to discuss the bills in the agenda and RIO Funding. Applications are due on Friday by 4:00 PM. There's a mandatory workshop tomorrow at 5:00 PM. RIO Interviews are next week Thursday, Friday and Saturday. There's a link at the end of the application to sign up. The last day to pick up award packets is in October.

**Internal Affairs**

*Chairperson Lao* I am working on the Rule Revision that Treasurer Hinshaw mentioned. We will also have a meeting before the next general to approve Campus Wide Committee Delegates.

**Investments and Long Range Planning**

*Chairperson Willis* We are in the final stages of our contract with Graystone. Committee members, be on the lookout for a doodle.

**Student Affairs**

*Chairperson Ishii* Thank you to those who filled out the doodle. If you haven't please fill out the doodle by tonight.

**Undergraduate Academic Affairs**

*Chairperson Chen* We put up our Scholarship Advertisement sign stakes. If they fall down, please put them back up. Our grad fair is going to be on October 20 and 21 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. I hope the senate will go and table. The set-up time is 10:30. I will send the information to Roxie to forward out to you.

**SPECIAL ORDERS**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

a. Senate Bill 03-17: Grad Fair

i. SCR 10-17 - Undergraduate Academic Affairs Committee

*SAL Chen* Move to accept SCR 10-17.

*SAL Enriquez* Second.

*Senator Lao* Move to move the point under the Comments/Recommendations Section to under the Amendments section.

*VP Dela Cruz* Second.  
Motion carries.

*SAL Chen* Move to add Senator Urasaki's signature

*SAL Enriquez* Second.  
Motion carries.

Motion carries.

ii. SCR 11-17 - Finance Committee

*SAL Chen* Move to accept SCR 11-17.

*Senator Lao* Second.  
Motion carries.

- iii. Senate Bill 03-17
- SAL Chen* Move to accept SB 03-17  
*SAL Enriquez* Second.
- SAL Chen* This is to fund the Grad Fair that UAA is hosting. Our food and drinks consist of Costco Pizza, Iyasume Musubi and bentos. Grad Fairs is held for 2 days instead of 1, so we're hoping to increase the bill from last year. For our prizes, we're looking to get hydroflasks, gift cards, 2 polaroid cameras and 1 kindle fire.
- Treasurer Hinshaw* Move to have the total reflect the changes made in SCR 11-17.  
*VP Dela Cruz* Second.  
Motion carries.
- SAL Enriquez* Move to correct all grammatical, typographical, formatting and Hawaiian diacritical mark errors.  
*Senator Negrillo* Second.  
Motion carries.
- SAL Chen* Move to include under Section III Provisions "Appropriations shall be pending the approval of the ASUH Budget from the Vice-Chancellor of Students."  
*SAL Enriquez* Second.  
Motion carries.

**ROLL CALL VOTE FOR SENATE BILL 03-17 WITH AMENDMENTS**

**Aye(s):** Vice President Dela Cruz, Treasurer Hinshaw, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Callihan, Chen, Enriquez, Willis, Senators Crollard, Delos Reyes, Finau, Fong, Honda, Ikeda, Ishii, Klinestiver, Lao, Lee, Negrillo, Omokawa, Takagi, Urasaki, Utashiro, Wang, Yamada [24]

**Naye(s):** [0]

**Abstention(s):** [0]

Motion carries.

- b. Senate Bill 08-17: To Appropriate Funding for the Successful College Student Workshops
- i. SCR 12-17 - Finance Committee
- VP Dela Cruz* Move to accept SCR 12-17  
*Senator Lao* Second.  
Motion carries.
- ii. Senate Bill 08-17
- SAL Enriquez* Move to accept Senate Bill 08-17  
*Senator Lao* Second.
- SAL Chen* I'd like Miles to explain this bill.  
*Miles Trudo* I'm Miles Trudo and I am the operations manager of the Student Success Center. We serve undergraduate students. We're working with the Learning Assistance Center. We're asking for some funds for this series of workshops.
- Leslee Matthews* We've done this workshop for a number of years. We've done Sinclair Study Nights before, which was great. However, we want to be more proactive this year and are finding dates for college student workshops. We partner with some of our tutors to do these workshops. We did this over the summer and we saw students come in and get services. I also oversee our tutoring program at Hale Aloha Center and yesterday it was packed. We really want to reach students so they can know about the different services

and help them succeed. We would really appreciate a positive vote for this to help the student body succeed.  
*SAL Chen* This is funding for four days of workshops.  
*Senator Lao* Move to include under Section III Provisions “Appropriations shall be pending the approval of the ASUH Budget from the Vice-Chancellor of Students.”  
*VP Dela Cruz* Second.  
Motion carries.  
*SAL Enriquez* Move to correct all grammatical, typographical, formatting and Hawaiian diacritical mark errors.  
*Senator Negrillo* Second.  
Motion carries.

**ROLL CALL VOTE FOR SENATE BILL 08-17 WITH AMENDMENTS**

**Aye(s):** Vice President Dela Cruz, Treasurer Hinshaw, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Callihan, Chen, Enriquez, Willis, Senators Crollard, Delos Reyes, Finau, Fong, Honda, Ikeda, Ishii, Klinestiver, Lao, Lee, Negrillo, Omokawa, Takagi, Urasaki, Utashiro, Wang, Yamada [24]

**Naye(s):** [0]

**Abstentions(s):** [0]

Motion carries.

c. Senate Bill 09-17: To appropriate funding for supplies for the Biology Workshops

i. SCR 13-17 - Finance Committee

*SAL Enriquez* Move to accept SCR 13-17.  
*Senator Delos Reyes* Second.

*SAL Callihan* Move to add an “X” under Senator Bruno’s name under Not Present in the Roll Call.  
*SAL Enriquez* Second.  
Motion carries.

*Senator Lao* Move to change the total amount of votes for “Aye” from 6 to 5.  
*SAL Enriquez* Second.  
Motion carries.  
*VP Dela Cruz* Move to change all instances of Student Affairs to Finance.  
*Treasurer Hinshaw* Second.  
Motion carries.

Motion carries

ii. Senate Bill 09-17

*SAL Chen* Move to accept Senate Bill 09-17  
*SAL Enriquez* Second.

*SAL Chen* This is to fund for supplies for the Biology Department. These items will be used for Biology Department socials, such as recruitment events. They are currently renting these items rather than purchasing them. If we can foot this one time cost, then they won’t need to rent these supplies. They’ll share these with the other departments in the College of Natural Sciences.

*SAL Enriquez* Under Section III, move to add “Withdrawal of funds shall be pending the approval of Senate Act 01-17 from the Vice Chancellor of Students.”  
*SAL Chen* Second.

Motion carries

*SAL Enriquez* Move to correct all grammatical, typographical, formatting and Hawaiian diacritical mark errors.

*SAL Chen* Second.  
Motion carries.

**ROLL CALL VOTE FOR SENATE BILL 06-17 WITH AMENDMENTS**

**Aye(s):** Vice President Dela Cruz, Treasurer Hinshaw, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Callihan, Enriquez, Willis, Senators Crollard, Delos Reyes, Finau, Fong, Honda, Ikeda, Ishii, Lao, Lee, Negrillo, Omokawa, Takagi, Urasaki, Utashiro, Wang, Yamada [22]

**Naye(s):** Senator Klinestiver [1]

**Abstention(s):** Senator-at-Large Chen [1]  
Motion carries.

*SAL Enriquez* Move to bring SCR 11-17 back to the floor.

*SAL Chen* Second.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO RECALL SCR 11-17**

**Aye(s):** Vice President Dela Cruz, Treasurer Hinshaw, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Callihan, Chen, Enriquez, Willis, Senators Crollard, Delos Reyes, Finau, Fong, Honda, Ikeda, Ishii, Klinestiver, Lao, Lee, Negrillo, Omokawa, Takagi, Urasaki, Utashiro, Wang, Yamada [24]

**Naye(s):** [0]

**Abstention(s):** [0]

Motion carries.

*SAL Chen* Move to accept SCR 11-17.

*SAL Enriquez* Second.

*SAL Chen* Move to change all instances of “Student Affairs” to “Finance.”

*VP Dela Cruz* Second.

Motion carries.

*Treasurer Hinshaw* Move to correct all grammatical, typographical, formatting and Hawaiian diacritical mark errors.

*SAL Chen* Second.

Motion carries.

Motion carries.

*VP Dela Cruz* Move to bring SCR 12-17 back to the floor.

*SAL Chen* Second.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO RECALL SCR 12-17**

**Aye(s):** Vice President Dela Cruz, Treasurer Hinshaw, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Callihan, Chen, Enriquez, Willis, Senators Crollard, Delos Reyes, Finau, Fong, Honda, Ikeda, Ishii, Klinestiver, Lao, Lee, Negrillo, Omokawa, Takagi, Urasaki, Utashiro, Wang, Yamada [24]

**Naye(s):** [0]

**Abstention(s):** [0]

Motion carries

*SAL Enriquez* Move to accept SCR 12-17.

*SAL Chen* Second.



*Senator Lao* Move to change all instances of Student Affairs to “Finance” and to correct all grammatical, typographical, formatting and Hawaiian diacritical mark errors.  
*SAL Chen* Second.  
Motion carries.

Motion carries.

**OPEN FORUM**

*VP Dela Cruz*

I left a treat in your mailboxes!

*Senator Wang*

If you floor nominated someone but haven’t filled out the form, please do so.

*Senator Honda*

At the last general meeting, Representative Ohno talked with us about the ESSA. It’s a replacement for the NCLBA. Representative Ohno would like more input to improve the education system for K-12 schools. I’ll send out an email and brainstorm with him.

**CLOSING**

**Adjournment**

*Senator Delos Reyes*

Move to Adjourn.

*Senator Negrillo*

Second.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:57 pm

Respectfully Submitted,



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