

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

General Senate Meeting #07 of the 108<sup>th</sup> Senate  
Wednesday, August 12th, 2020

**OPENING**

**Call to Order**

President Albano called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM on Zoom.

**Roll Call**

Present:	[19] President Albano, Secretary Gogue, Treasurer Oshiro, Senators-At-Large Anuszezwska, Bowersmith, Williams, Senators Baguio, Basim, Chua, Columbres, Crowell, Hesia, Hokama-Paris, Garrett, Kanemoto, Pierce, Regaspi, Renteria, Seals
Excused Absent:	[4] SAL Kaeo, Senator Keim, Senator Kim, Senator Sabandal
Unexcused Absent:	[5] Senator Saari, Senator Shimizu, Senator Smith, Senator Tong, Senator Vogt
Excused Late:	[0]
Unexcused Late:	[0]
Excused Early Departure:	[0]
Unexcused Early Departure:	[0]
On Leave:	[1] Senator Lee
Advisors:	[1] Advisor Manini
Guests:	[0]

**Reading and Approval of Minutes**

1. General Senate Meeting Minutes #06, 108th Senate - July 29, 2020  
*SAL Anuszezwska* Move to accept the reading and approval of minutes for GSMM #06.  
*Senator Seals* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion carries.*

*SAL Anuszezwska* Move to approve GSMM #06  
*Treasurer Oshiro* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. GSMM#06 is approved.*

**APPROVED BY THE 108TH SENATE THE 2ND OF SEPTEMBER 2020**

**Official Correspondence**

**Testimony**

**REPORTS**

**Executive**

**President**

**PM #3: Standing Committee Appointments (Summer)**

*Senator Regaspi* Motion to accept PM#3 Standing Committee Appointments (Summer)  
*Senator Hokama-Paris* Second

*Vote is unanimous. Motion carries.*

*President Albano* This President's Message pertains to the Standing Committee Appointments and these reflect the two resignations of Vice President Ogata-Tambua and effective tomorrow SAL Williams. You'll see here that the chair for finance says to be announced and that's intentional, so if in between now and the next general senate meeting probably a few days or so, I'll have contacted people who could potentially fill these positions. If anything happens between then, I will make a recess appointment for the Committee, but basically this updates the two resignations will have in effect.

*Treasurer Oshiro* Motion to approve PM #3 Standing Committee Appointments (Summer)  
*Senator Baguio* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes. PM #3: Standing Committee Appointments (Summer) is approved.*

**PM #4: Related to the 'Ōlelo Hawai'i Initiative**

*Senator Regapsi* Motion to accept PM#4 Related to the 'Ōlelo Hawai'i Initiative  
*Senator Chua* Second

*Vote is unanimous. Motion carries.*

*President Albano* As I mentioned in the email I sent about this meeting, this message is regarding the 'Ōlelo Hawai'i Initiative which was started in the 107th Senate. Ryan Rafid who served as the Vice President and also created this initiative, reached out to me and asked if I would be able to provide a President's Message to support him continuing attributing to the initiative since he has graduated, and I do support this, so this message basically outlines that I do support Ryan continuing contributing to the 'Ōlelo Hawai'i Initiative. As you'll notice in the last paragraph here, it talks about how Ryan may be required to send in a report, and also we were discussing what things he would like to do with this capacity and ability to contribute. So he talked about also working in collaboration with the Senator for Hawai'i inuiākea Center for Hawaiian Knowledge to keep the initiative growing and expanding it This President's message was written in consultation with Ryan, and it basically affirms my support for allowing him to continue to contribute after he has graduated.

*SAL Anuszwska* Motion to approve PM #4 Related to the 'Ōlelo Hawai'i Initiative

Senator Hokama-Paris

Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes. PM #4: Related to the 'Ōlelo Hawai'i Initiative is approved.*

**Leadership Kickoff**

*President Albano*

Thank you to the planning committee who have been working hard for the past couple of weeks to get it started. I wanted to inform you all of the dates. It looks like we are planning on having it on Saturday September 5th and Sunday September 6th. Basically this kickoff will give us a chance to learn more about ASUH's structure and also bond with each other and learn why we joined ASUH and envision what we want the 108th Senate to look like, so we will have a lot of discussions and activities around that. These two dates and we we're we're thinking about having it for two hours a day with a break in between, so if you could please set your calendar for these days. This would be a good chance for us to bond in the Senate. If you have any questions about that please let me know.

Really quickly we're going to do a quick poll based on what time you guys want to have this. Looks like we will try to do it in the morning from nine to eleven. If you are unable to make it at this time, if you could please let me know in advance, so I can put your name down and I can send updates

Looks like we will set it for September 5th and 6th from nine to eleven.

**ASUH Fall 2020**

*President Albano*

For the Fall with ASUH, I want to share how ASUH is going to operate both in the office and for our kind of meetings. Obviously we are going to continue with our Zoom meetings at this point. I don't think we have any other choice but to do things virtually, so we will continue with that platform for now. If there are any concerns or updates about the way that things are operating please feel free to reach out to me.

I also wanted to share some information that was sent to me by operations manager Sonoma Pale about how they're working with office staff. Obviously nothing is set in stone because policies might change and the way that operations will work for campus center. This is the information that Heialani sent me and I will also send this to all of you after this meeting. So it looks like we will be continuing with doing work online. If you do have to go to the office there is a limit of how many people can be in the office and you'll be asked to wear a mask as well as it looks like they will check your temperature. If you have any questions about that feel free to email me and I will also ask Heilani. Like I said nothing is completely set in stone so if things change, I will let you know as soon as possible.

**Vice President**

**Treasurer**

*Treasurer Oshiro*

No report.

**Secretary**

*Secretary Gogue*

No report

**Administrative**

Advisor Manini No report

- a. Operations Manager

**Judicial Branch**

- a. Student Court

**Standing Committees**

**Campus Life**

Chairperson Seals

*Our Progress*

Ideas in place for shirt ideas

Biggest Next Step: Making Google Form

*Our Plans*

*Issues*

Football season is cancelled

Reduced campus presence

Treasurer Oshiro

Not a question, but an idea, but I think it would be fun if you guys did a Virtual costume contest for Halloween.

Chairperson Seals

I'm definitely noting that.

**Elections**

Chairperson Columbres

*Our Progress*

Candidate Orientation Presentation

Contacting Schools and Colleges

*Our Plans*

Fall 2020 Special Elections Packet

IG Takeovers

*Issues*

Senator Chua  
SAL Anuszwaska

Motion to approve the Fall 2020 Special Elections Calendar  
Second

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes. Fall 2020 Special Elections Calendar is approved.*

Chairperson Columbres

Donavan are you in charge of the Instagram?

President Albano

I do have access it, but for instagram wise I would connect with Senator Chua, the chairperson of Student Affairs.

Chairperson Columbres

We were planning on having some of you guys record yourselves answering these questions to get people interested in joining the Senate. If you're interested feel free to email me or text me, and put your name in the document next to the question you want to answer, so you guys don't all select the same question.

**External Affairs**

Chairperson Chua

*Our Progress*

3rd committee meeting held

Plans to utilize social media platforms to a broader extent,

include informal engagement initiatives  
Timeline for AS(You)H week

*Our Plans*

Work on planning Welina Mānoa & AS(You)H week  
Collab w/ CL

*Issues*

**Finance**

*Chairperson Williams*

*Our Progress*

No report

*Our Plans*

No report

*Issues*

*Miscellaneous*

Chairperson Williams is resigning due to switch to half-time credits,  
thus no longer remaining qualified to sit on the Senate

**Internal Affairs**

*President Albano*

*Our Progress*

*Our Plans*

meeting next Thursday (sent out email today)  
we will review Campus Delegate requests and form the committees /  
discuss other plans for fall

*Issues*

**Investments and Long Range Planning**

*Chairperson Regaspi*

*Our Progress*

No report

*Our Plans*

No report

*Issues*

**Student Affairs**

*President Albano*

*Our Progress*

No report

*Our Plans*

No report

*Issues*

**Undergraduate Academic Affairs**

*Chairperson Bowersmith*

*Our Progress*

Held our second meeting  
Decided to have a Textbook Fund Giveaway this Fall  
Will be working on developing a new ASUH scholarship and adding a  
UHM graduation requirement

*Our Plans*

Finalize prompts and website updates by the end of this week  
Order scholarship advertisement prints and post ads on campus

Write bill for textbook fund for approval ASAP  
Plan advertising for textbook fund

*Issues*

**Other Committees**

**SPECIAL ORDERS**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS**

**Senate Resolution 02-21 Calling for the Declaration of UH Campuses as Sanctuary Campuses**

*Senator Chua* Motion to accept SCR 03-21 for Senate Resolution 02-21 Calling for the Declaration of UH Campuses as Sanctuary Campuses

*SAL Anuszwska* Second

*Vote is unanimous. Motion carries.*

*Senator Chua* Just to refresh everyone's memory, this was brought up two GSM's ago. This resolution calls for the declaration of UH campuses as sanctuary campuses. Unfortunately Senator Kim the other introducer is not here today, so I'll do my best to expand on the changes from the Student Affairs Committee. Essentially lot of these changes, we tried our best to address the concerns that were brought up when this reso was first introduced. Some of these changes are such as whether or not federal funding is impacted or essentially what sanctuary systems entail. There are a long list of changes, but we wanted to be as comprehensive and detailed as possible because we understand that the idea of sanctuary campuses is not necessarily new but new to the UH community and expand on it as much as we can and we sought out many many resources to do so.

*Senator Hesla* Motion to approve SCR 03-21 for Senate Resolution 02-21 Calling for the Declaration of UH Campuses as Sanctuary Campuses.

*Senator Hokama Paris* Second

*Vote is unanimous. Motion carries. SCR 03-21 for Senate Resolution 02-21 Calling for the Declaration of UH Campuses as Sanctuary Campuses is approved.*

*Senator Hesla* Motion to accept Senate Resolution 02-21 Calling for the Declaration of  
*Senator Hokama Paris* Second

*Vote is unanimous. Motion carries.*

*Senator Renteria* First Whereas statement on the third page says initial students. Is that correct or did it mean to have international?

*Senator Chua* Thank you for the question. It is meant to say initial students, but to clarify we could say initial international students. If an incoming student were to enter the U.S. to attend a university that is operating online, they are not allowed to do so. This is according to the revised policy on July 24th, so despite the fact that

continuing students can stay on online, freshmen are not allowed to come to the U.S.

Does that answer your question?

*Senator Renteria*

Yes that answers my question, but is it possible to say new students, or are they classified as initial students? Is that the reason for the language?

*Senator Chua*

I believe that the verbiage of this was directly taken from the SEVP's announcement, but I am willing to make a motion to expand on that language if it will help to clarify.

Would this language purely stating initial students be confusing?

*Senator Renteria*

Your explanation makes sense, I'm just not sure. I think you're explanation makes sense, so people would understand it if they read the SEVP's announcement.

*Senator Chua*

Motion to add the words "new or" right before initial.

*Senator Renteria*

Second

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes.*

*Senator Kanemoto*

Why can't the initial students enter the program if it's one hundred percent online? I see why new students can't, but I'm wondering why initial students aren't.

*Senator Chua*

If you're asking as to why, my understanding of the SEVP policy is that they are kind of lumping those two groups of students into a category as incoming students.

*Senator Kanemoto*

Oh so we're following a policy. Is there anything we can do against that?

For what I'm thinking, if you were already part of the program of this school and you're an initial student, and then the COVID thing happened, it's not really their fault they should be allowed in the program, but I could be wrong.

*Senator Chua*

I think they are allowed to remain in the program, but they cannot do it in the U.S. I think they have to remain in their home country to do school if that school is 100% online.

*President Albano*

I just want to reiterate that the language in here reflects the statement from the Student and Exchange Visitor Program, so if you have any questions about that you can refer to the statement about that below.

*Senator Renteria*

On the last added pink be it further resolved, it says the ASUH does not speak on, but it does not include Mānoa, so I was wondering if on any of our documents do we have to add Mānoa on any of our documents, because further down you have it listed as ASUH West Oahu and the other community colleges.

*Senator Chua*

That is a really great point on the technical terms. I'm not exactly sure to be completely honest.

*Advisor Manini*

You guys should just be consistent on whatever you decide to do, and not say it one way in one place and different in another.

*Senator Hesia*  
*Senator Regaspi*

Motion to Approve Senate Resolution 02-21.  
Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes. Senate Resolution 02-21 is approved.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

**OPEN FORUM**

**CLOSING**  
**Announcements**

**Adjournment**

*Senator Regaspi*  
*SAL Anuszevska*

Move to Adjourn.  
Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes. Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.*

Respectfully Submitted,



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Mikaelyn Marie Gogue  
Secretary, 108<sup>th</sup> Senate