

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII
2465 Campus Road, Campus Center Room 211A
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Executive Committee Meeting #12 of the 102nd Senate
Wednesday, November 5, 2014

I. OPENING

A. Call to Order

President Nishihara called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in CC 310.

B. Roll Call

Present: President Nishihara, Vice-President Zakimi,
Treasurer Takara, Secretary Belisario,
Senators-at-Large Lee, Nishihara, Omokawa,
Senators Mandado, Nguyen, Oshiro, Schulz [11]

Excused Absent: Senator-at-Large Onishi, Senators Grunenwald,
Kawagishi [3]

Unexcused Absent: [0]

Excused Late: [0]

Unexcused Late: [0]

Excused Early Departure: [0]

Unexcused Early Departure: [0]

On Leave: [0]

Advisor: [0]

Guests: Steve Smith, Michelle Tagorda, Randolph Moore [3]

C. Reading and Approval of Minutes

i. EM#11 October 22, 2014

Vice President Zakimi Motion to accept EMM #11.

Senator Nguyen Second.

Senator-at-Large Lee Motion to add at the end of President Nishihara's report, add, "We will talk about this in the general senate meeting."

Senator Mandado Second.

Motion Carries.

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D. Official Correspondence

II. REPORTS

A. Executive

1. President

a. Interim VP for Information Technology & Chief Information Officer, Steve Smith

- Steve Smith* Thank you for inviting me. My name is Steve Smith. I want to meet with you and speak with you on IT. I've been meeting with other student organizations as well as faculty and staff. I'm the interim VP for Information Technology. President Lassner used to hold this title before he moved on to interim president. I want to open this dialogue with you. Any questions?
- President Nishihara* A couple of months ago, did you hear about that hacking incident? Where a number of 5 million user names were leaked from the Google account? Did any of that affect Manoa students?
- Steve Smith* Yes I am aware. There weren't any student accounts that we knew of that were involved with this. There are some incidents where some of the students and faculty get an email that looks official but is not. This is called Internet phishing. If your computer is compromised with UH's system, they will use that as a back door to get information from our system. Fortunately, we are able to detect those. One thing that we do when this happens is to isolate that computer from the system.
- Treasurer Takara* What's being done to expand online and distant learning classes?
- Steve Smith* That's an interesting questions. We try to provide the tools and the framework so that the individual faculty member and the colleges can provide the courses online. Rather than putting courses on, we look at what courses needs to be delivered.
- Senator Mandado* Are there any initiatives for more Google programs linked with our emails?
- Steve Smith* Yes. Universities all over the country are using Google Apps for Education, which includes Gmail, google drive, and the calendar. When we got the contract with Google, we had certain things we had to follow. In the contract, we made sure Google wouldn't have access to our data. If you have a regular Gmail, they can see all your activities. Since Manoa is heavy research, we have federal laws that protect our research from leaking outside the United States. We are fortunate to get this contract and this is credited to David Lassner. Google+ will also be an option for students and faculty within the system. But we are still working on the legwork for that. We are hopeful that majority of people choose this option. I'm not sure when this will be done but I will let you know. Please let me know if you have any question in the future.
- Michelle Tagorda* b. Regents Michelle Tagorda and Chairperson Randolph Moore
We want to have an open dialogue with you all.
All senators introduce themselves.
- Michelle Tagorda* We appreciate all the work that ASUH is doing.
- Randolph Moore* Our job is governance. We don't micromanage and we don't manage at all. The governing responsibility is to ensure the stewards of this university will make the best decision that will affect you today and tomorrow.
- Treasurer Takara* Any thoughts on the sustainability fund?
- Michelle Tagorda* There's a process to go through before it gets presented to the board. They are in that process right now. I've been helping Doorae Shin go through this process.
- Senator Mandado* How is the board taking it with all this negativity going around about GSO voting no confidence in the BOR and all the other things?

- Randolph Moore* I've met twice with them. The first meeting, they weren't happy. The meeting two days ago was much more constructive. They wanted to let the president know that they were unhappy how Chancellor Apple was fired but they did not want to vote no confidence in the BOR.
- Michelle Tagorda* I'm meeting with them soon. Starting with conversations and opening dialogue will help us move forward.
- Senator-at-Large Lee* What is the decision for the regent and presidential scholarships? Would it be the BOR to change that policy? Who changes the policy to receive that kind of scholarship?
- Randolph Moore* It's a campus decision not a board decision. We encourage community college students to apply.
- Senator Mandado* There has been a lot of dislike coming from faculty about administrative management. Since BOR supports administration, how will you make sure that the administration is doing something students support?
- Randolph Moore* It will be easier if you had a specific example. Personnel issues in any organization is the most difficult. In this case, the employer has legal and moral obligations to keep confidentiality and certain manners. The hard thing for an employer in this situation is to justify publically what is going on. From the board's perspective, we look at the president's rationale and his position of why he decides his decisions and we were satisfied that he has done the right thing. It's hard to say out of privacy.
- President Nishihara* As a board, you accepted the process that the president took to remove Chancellor Apple?
- Randolph Moore* We understand the process that he used. It made sense to us.
- Senator Nguyen* I commend you for handling this. I spoke with Kitty and she expressed how difficult it was to be BOR chair. Regardless of what happens, we respect you as leaders of this university.
- Randolph Moore* Thank you for that. We appreciate that.
- Vice-President Zakimi* I know president Lassner promised to include more student input on the 360 evaluation. Does he also have to undergo 360 evaluation?
- Randolph Moore* Yes he is responsible to undergo 360 evaluation.
- Senator Mandado* Is tuition going to keep going up?
- Randolph Moore* Yes.
- President Nishihara* Has there been any other means of getting funding to reduce the increase of tuition such as fundraising and reaching out to successful alumni?
- Randolph Moore* There are several engagement points. One is external support. This goes to things like grants. UH also does a lot of fundraising but it isn't as successful to raise private support.
- Vice-President Zakimi* Is the BOR open to having more student regents? And along the lines of tuition revenue, one of the logical ways is to get more students enrolled, have you seen or heard of ways other student governments recruit more students? How can we be a part of that?

- Randolph Moore* Taking initiative, definitely. The student tells others about their university and spreading the word about it is very powerful. But talking negative outweighs talking positive of the university. Talking stink is very bad. It's very effective to have college students go to high schools and talk about their experience. It's very important.
- Michelle Tagorda* From a personal experience, my high school back home, I had a graduating class of 200 students and only 20% of us went to college. I was invited back to talk to the students about my experience in college. What you guys can do is work with the admissions office and see if you can do outreach and talk to schools about your experiences.
- Randolph Moore* Target the middle school students. This will get them a head start on what they want to do and get them thinking about the future. If you think there's a choice to go to college or not, that's bad.
- Michelle Tagorda* I know it would go through legislative change to have more student regents. At one point, we had 4 students on the board but they couldn't vote on issues.
- Randolph Moore* The student representative doesn't technically represent students. The reason why there is a student representative is to give a student perspective on the board, not to speak on behalf of the students.
- President Nishihara* If there aren't any more questions, thank you Michelle and Randolph for coming.
- President Nishihara* c. UH Manoa Budget Process Task Force
Vice Chancellor Cutshaw came up with a method to take 35% of the tuition revenue. They want to keep the dispersion of tuition the same but have it in a formula. The whole committee including myself is a little hesitant with that because it's not really working. What we've been looking at is to come up with more methods. Majority of the committee doesn't want to move on with that idea. From the feel of the committee, we are looking for something new and phase in to it.

2. Vice President

Vice President Zakimi I'm having a new student senator workshop tomorrow.

3. Treasurer

Treasurer Takara Your stipends are being processed.

4. Secretary

Secretary Belisario We had a Chairs and Vice-Chairs workshop today. It went very well.

B. Administrative

C. Judicial Branch

D. Standing Committees

1. Campus Life

Chairperson Oshiro We had a meeting today at 4:00 pm to review Homecoming, start finalizing things for the Mahalo Manoa event, and to get the ball rolling for Angel Tree. I will be sending out a Google doc for people in the senate to sign-up.

2. Elections

President Nishihara We will not be having a meeting this week but we will be having a meeting next week.

3. External Affairs

Chairperson Nguyen The sub-committees will be meeting sometime next week. We have our ads on Ka Leo so I will be talking to committee chairs about committee features section.

4. Finance
Vice-Chair Omokawa There is a change in SB 20-15.

5. Internal Affairs
Chairperson Schulz We will be meeting next week.

6. Investments and Long Range Planning
Chairperson Lee I have a meeting on the 17th at 6:30 pm

7. Student Affairs
Chairperson Mandado We will be meeting next week.

8. Undergraduate Academic Affairs
President Nishihara They went over the research awards and met to discuss on the evaluation process.

III. SPECIAL ORDERS

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. Senate Bill 14-15: ASUH Undergraduate Academic Affairs Banners
President Nishihara I refer this to Finance and UAA.

b. Senate Bill 15-15: Reimbursement to Marc Ouye
President Nishihara I refer this to Finance and UAA.

VI. OPEN FORUM

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Oshiro Motion to Adjourn.

Senator-at-Large Lee Second.

Motion Carries.

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cassandra Belisario
Secretary, ASUH 102nd Senate