

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

General Senate Meeting #10 of the 107th Senate
Wednesday, October 2, 2019

OPENING

Call to Order

President Li called the meeting to order at 6:09 PM in CC 310.

Roll Call

Vice President Chun called roll.

Present:	President Li, Vice President Chun, Treasurer Pacanuayan, Senators-At-Large Kim, Oshiro, Urasaki, Senators Aspacio, Balico, Bowersmith, Datwani, Finley-Johnson, Friedman, Juliano, Leval, Luitel, Rafid, Salameh, Shimizu, Yoshida [19]
Excused Absences:	Interim Secretary Dela Cruz, Senator-At-Large Manabe, Senators Armstrong-Patterson, Su [4]
Unexcused Absences:	[0]
Excused Late:	Senator Baguio, Lee, Transfiguracion [2]
Unexcused Late:	[0]
Excused Early Departure:	[0]
Unexcused Early Departure:	[0]
On-Leave:	[0]
Advisors:	Bonnyjean Manini [1]
Guests:	Navin Tagore [1]

Testimony

President Li reviewed the ASUH decorum rules regarding testimony.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Internal Affairs Vice Chairperson Urasaki read aloud written testimony that was submitted to the ASUH within the last 24 hours.

Ray Aivazian III, Undergraduate

It is imperative that we integrate plant based learning on our campus and others across Hawaii. The impact we are having on our fragile ecosystem can be mitigated by implementing new sustainable practices on campus. The people have already spoken with 73% saying they were in favor of the fund. Action can be and needs to be taken now.

Laurel Perun, Undergraduate

Dear ASUH Senate, I'm writing to testify in great support for the Aloha Aina Fund. As this was one of your most responded to ASUH Student Surveys ever, I think it shows the dire nature and wonderful support for implementing the Aloha Aina Fund for UH Manoa. This fund would allow students to apply the knowledge

they collect in this institution around sustainability, while increasing UH Manoa's environmental awareness. The Aloha Aina Fund allows for creativity in sustainability, and emphasizes place-based learning in the host culture of Hawaii. Lastly, the Aloha Aina Fund would allow for students to problem-solve and begin to put their heads together towards solving sustainability issues on campus, but with the power of money behind them to create necessary change. Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony.

ORAL TESTIMONY

President Li facilitated the Oral Testimony portion of the meeting. Vice President Chun timed each testifier.

Navin Tagore

Aloha, my Navin Tagore. I graduated in Spring 2017. While I was a student, I wished I had more access to Aloha 'Aina funding and education. After I graduated, I got to go to different sites and sustainable symposiums in these kinds of environments. They had insanely good networking opportunities. They changed the course of my life. Just imagine the kinds of opportunities like this that students could have. Especially in this day and age, where we're fighting one of the biggest crises on Earth that will change the course of civilization. As an institution on the front lines, we should be supporting every measure possible to prepare our students. Can I get a show of hands, how many of you believe in climate change? Most of us. Take a couple seconds, close your eyes, and think of a future 20 years from now, what that future looks like if climate change continues as projected. Do you want kids? What does their future look like? Just think about it. How many of you are concerned about climate change? That's a lot of you. How many of you think we're doing enough? Not much. You have the power as students, you have a stake in your future, personal stake. Please do something about it, for yourselves and as an institution. Thank you for listening.

Senator Salameh requested a point of inquiry regarding what the testimony was regarding.

President Li informed the Senate that this was regarding Senate Resolution 05-20 Aloha 'Aina Fund. Senate Resolution 05-20 was not on the General Senate Meeting agenda, but President Li & Advisor Manini reminded the Senate that students may testify on any subject they wish to present to the ASUH that concerns them.

Reading and Approval of Minutes

1. General Senate Meeting Minutes #9, 107th Senate - September 18

President Li

Interim Secretary Dela Cruz submitted these draft minutes, however she mentioned that the committee reports and discussions are missing. The main motions that were made during the meeting are on the document though.

Advisor Manini

I recommend that you folks review the minutes next time when they're complete. It's okay to review two sets of minutes for the next meeting.

*Vice President Chun
SAL Oshiro*

Move to table GSMM#9 until they are complete for review.
Second.

*Voting was unanimously in favor; Motion Carries.
General Senate Meeting Minutes #9 was tabled until they are complete for review at the next meeting.*

Official Correspondence

REPORTS

Executive

President

a) Committee Commendations

President Li

I wanted to give some public commendations to our committees. We are currently 2 months in the semester. But a lot of things have happened. I just wanted to say really great job with the committees. Thank you to all our Chairs, Vice Chairs, and committee members. First off, with Campus Life, with the wonderful homecoming event. We had a lot of RIO participation and about 600 students came. Elections, we may have every seat filled with this upcoming Fall Special Election. External Affairs for revamping our Social Media account and increasing our followers within the last 2 months, by at least 4 times the original amount and hosting the AS(You)H Week event in Campus Center Courtyard and Hale Aloha Courtyard. Internal Affairs for their slew of revisions and their upcoming Quiz Bowl. Investments, for the Investments Task Force and working really hard with the BOR on the investments policy changes. Student Affairs for the number of initiatives that they are spearheading, from sustainability to bus stop covers. And UAA, for facilitation of the scholarships and planning the Grad Fair. And Finance! Best committee. Little bias from me, but I wanna commend Finance for facilitating the Fall RIO Funding and starting the new volunteer list. I thought this would be a lot more stressful, but I wanted to give a hand to you all for all your hard work. The committees have been really doing the work of ASUH.

b) College Completion Summit

President Li

Vice President Chun and I have just returned yesterday from the College Completion Summit with President David Lassner, AVPSA Hae Okimoto, VPAPP Donald Straney, and Pearl from Analytics. This was hosted at the University of Utah. Over 20 universities attended. It was interesting to see all of them in a room. It was a room full of administrators. I got a little background on how campus administrators talked about how to fix retention and graduation rates. Students attended as well, which is why we went. We kinda learned about the resources they have for them, and what we don't have. One thing I found interesting was the Emergency fund, where each University has funds for students if they need to pay for emergency surgery or something. But they're in a position where they would have to choose between tuition or surgery but either way, the student wouldn't be able to attend school. This is something that even student caucus has talked about implementing, and something we might be interested in starting on this campus ehre.

Vice President Chun

While interacting with the other students there, we got to learn about their concerns at their schools and concerns that align with us. A lot of the concerns stems from school Advisors. We spoke with President Lassner about what he's gonna do with the advising problem here. So we have his word about his priorities.

President Li

Advising is a huge problem across universities, because the reason why students drop out is because they don't know what they're doing. Other students felt the same way, that even if they're taking classes, they don't know what their future

direction is. So students tend to drop out. If you have any more questions about the college completion summit, please let me or Vice President Chun know. But maybe we might push for the Emergency Fund. Another thing that came up was class registration. STAR was one of the best tools out there for class registration because it keeps track of a student's progress. Looking at the other Universities websites, it was kind of old and outdated because it's not an easy to look at as a pathway for students.

c) Initiative Planning (Midwest Workshop Pt.2) - TUES, Oct 8th @6pm - 8pm in HEM 211

President Li

The Midwest Academy Strategy Chart Workshop Pt. 2 will be Tuesday October 8, 2019 from 6 - 8 PM in Hemenway 211. Part 1 was two weeks ago, where we first outlines our path steps but now we're really gonna hone in on our tactics, and give feedback to each other on whether this strategy will work, or if this strategy will. Please put that in your calendars. All workshops are mandatory.

Vice President

a) ASUH Retreat - Sunday, November 10 - Monday, November 11

Vice President Chun

Just a reminder, to mark your calendars for Sunday November 10 to Monday November 11. I haven't sent out the Google Forms yet to get everyone's information about the retreat. I'm still waiting to hear from Camp Erdman to get all the forms signed and completed. So once I get that, probably next week, I will send out the google forms to be filled out.

Treasurer

Treasurer Pacanuayan

First, a budget update. Since we passed 4 bills last meeting, we have now \$97,000 in our General Fund. The rate sheets: 22 people did rate sheets last month, and that's the best one so far so keep it up. If you do the rate sheets, please select the right months and type in your correct email please.

Secretary

iSecretary Dela Cruz was not present.

Administrative

a. Advisor

Advisor Manini

Just a few things I want you guys to be cognitive of. If you're in charge of purchases tied to one of the events, etc please be sure that you try your best to request your purchases 1-2 weeks prior to your event. Healani [Advisor Sonoda-Pale] and I have P-Cards, but we're limited to how much we can spend, etc. We also are limited in terms of our time, since we have meetings to attend and have to run around campus, etc. Or if we're out sick or vacation. Please keep that in mind when planning and if you need to purchase things with us. In-store pick-up works, where we can order online and you guys pick up. Regarding the renovations, I found that the door was ajar on Sunday. You guys didn't have anything to do with it, but it allows people to enter our building which can be a security risk for our building [Campus Center]. Yesterday, I saw that our double glass doors were propped open for an ASUH meeting in the office. Please don't engage in door-propping, especially when that door should be locked. It puts the facility at risk. People have gotten away by taking expensive things from the cafeteria, etc. If you need access during an off-hour for work, talk with Healani, or we can get you access to the office when you need it. Another thing I wanted to report about is the Food Vault. This past month, we had 417 swipes. In a month alone, we had gotten 277 swipes. So I

think you guys should take that as the fact that the word is getting out. I just wanted to give you guys that update.

b. Operations Manager

Judicial Branch

a. Student Court

Standing Committees

Campus Life

Chairperson Oshiro

Our Progress

- 1) [2019 ASUH Homecoming Debrief](#)
- 2) Mahalo Manoa Planning

Our Plans

- 1) Mahalo Manoa Leads: Russell & Paul
- 2) Assignments due by next meeting: Thursday, 10/10, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm @CC 308
 - a) EVERYONE: brainstorm event theme. Put ideas in FB Messenger chat.
 - b) PAUL: have tentative menu ready
 - c) PAIGE / GHABBY: Collaborate with Bobby for T-shirt design, ad design
 - i) Theme must be decided first
 - d) PAIGE: reserve venue, Hale Aloha Courtyard, 11/19, 5 pm - 7 pm. Begin communicating with EA about promoting the event on social media.
 - e) KIRAN: have game ideas, list of materials needed
 - f) PAUL / CHANDA: Coordinate with the Food Vault to set up a canned food drive for the event
 - i) Perhaps set up tabling during the day of 11/19 to collect canned goods/toiletries
 - g) CAITLYN: Work with Paige on bill
 - h) HANNAH: Make Volunteer spreadsheet, draft up a recruitment email to the Senate
 - i) RUSSELL: Friendly follow-up with everyone BEFORE the meeting to confirm tasks are being done.
- 3) Need to secure venue
- 4) Find volunteers ahead of time to ensure we can staff the event

Elections

Chairperson Balico

Our Progress

- 1) Candidate Orientations are over
 - a) 17/19 candidates went through candidate orientation
 - b) Campaigning started September 30th
 - c) Elections start October 7th

Our Plans

- 1) Unofficial meeting will be held sometime this week
 - a) Will go over tabling process
 - b) If you are interested, please sign up [HERE](#)

External Affairs

Chairperson Leval

Our Progress

- 1) Thank you to everyone who helped make our AS(You)H Event a success!
 - a) Day 1 (CC Courtyard) Turnout: 266 students
 - b) Day 2 (Hale Aloha Courtyard) Turnout: 212 students
 - c) Raffle prize winners have been selected, notified, and awarded their prizes
- 2) AS(You)H IG Giveaway is STILL LIVE!
 - a) Please make sure to promote this via your own social media accounts
 - b) Four pairs of Kaskade tickets at Kapolei Events Center on Nov. 2
- 3) ASUH Dudes, please pick up your polo shirts. They are in your mailboxes. Ladies, please forgive me. Your polos will not be here until later this month.

Our Plans

- 1) Per discussion with President Li, Chairperson Leval is in the process of ordering name tags for all Senate members and business cards for all Executive Committee members

Finance

Chairperson Rafid

Our Progress

- 1) New way of community service volunteer
- 2) [RIO Community Service Sign-Up Sheet](#)

Some Issues

- 1) [Sign up to be an interviewer](#)

Internal Affairs

Vice Chair Urasaki

Our Progress

- 1) Two recommendations for delegates! One is in process of interview
 - a) Anyone who would like to serve on the General Education Committee, please let me know! Wednesdays @ 1:30-2:30
- 2) QUIZ BOWL ON NOVEMBER 6th FROM 6:30PM TO 8PM
 - a) After exec meeting
 - b) MANDATORY workshop (with a social aspect)
- 3) Committee: assignments to be sent at the end of this week
 - a) Most likely will have one unofficial meeting this month (or official) for planning

Our Plans

- 1) Quiz Bowl next steps (questions, food ideas)
- 2) Pressing rule changes to be examined and possibly introduced

Investments and Long Range Planning

iSecretary Dela Cruz was not present.

Student Affairs

Chairperson Kim

Our Progress

- 1) Regular Surveying
 - a) Contact made w/ stats professors and few non-student government individuals, talks in progress [Sal Kim] (Thank you SAL Oshiro for the advice!)
- 2) OER
 - a) Meeting w/ billy scheduled for Friday 4PM at ASUH Office [Senator Shimizu, President Li]
- 3) Environmental activism
 - a) Meeting set w/ Office of Sustainability on Thursday, October 3rd, 2019 [Senator Luitel]

Our Plans

- 1) Mental health
 - a) Collaborating w/ Pause Space as preventative mental health outreach [SAL Kim]
- 2) Regular Surveying
 - a) To look into business/marketing folx, and ask for advice on this.

Undergraduate Academic Affairs

Chairperson Juliano

Our Progress

1. Bookstore said YES to the Grand Prize Grad Pack Bundle!
2. [Finalized](#) Grad Fair Programs and their table placements
3. Grad Ferry Ads/Stamp Cards printed :)
4. Scholarship applications/LoRs are rolling in!

Our Plans

- 1) Planning to send a “SCHOLARSHIP REVIEWING SURVIVAL KIT” as a thank you gift to reviewers

Some Issues

- 1) Need more crew members for the [S.S. GRAD FERRY!](#)

Other Committees

Student Success Center

Chairperson Dela Cruz

Interim Secretary Dela Cruz is not here. But there have been meetings with the Student Success Center Steering Committee about the conceptual stage of the design. We will be on the lookout for the next upcoming meetings.

Athletics Fee Survey

President Li

Senator Armstrong-Patterson is not present, but I spoke with him about moving forward with this. There’s nothing on our radar for an Athletics Fee proposal currently. But what we are doing is preparing a fee survey to send out to students before a proposal is presented.

Travel/Conference

Vice President Chun

Senator Rafid and Senator Datwani met with Advisor Manini to register for the conference and purchase their flights. Only purchases they have to make right now is for the hotel.

Reorganization

President Li

I have yet to convene a meeting, but I’m sure we have representation on the Design teams. But I understand that it is hard to have our students present at our meetings since the school year started. Please keep on the lookout for an email.

SPECIAL ORDERS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS

NEW BUSINESS

OPEN FORUM

CLOSING

Announcements

The Next General Senate Meeting will be on Wednesday, October 16, 2019, at 6 PM in Campus Center Room 310.

Adjournment

*Senator Salameh
SAL Oshiro*

Move to Adjourn.
Second.

*Voting was unanimously in favor; Motion carries.
General Senate Meeting #10 was adjourned at 7:06 PM.*

Respectfully Submitted,



Jannah Lyn Dela Cruz
Interim Secretary, 107th Senate