

General Senate Meeting #06 Agenda
August 28, 2025

I. OPENING

A. Call To Order @6:00

B. Roll Call

President Watson (P)	Senator Avila-Gomez(UX)	Senator Laguatan (P)	Senator Jaquish (P)
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Vice-President Ziadeh (P)	Senator Aglanao (P)	Senator Bachiller (P)
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Secretary Sugui (P)	Senator Pale (P)	Senator Garcia (P)
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Advisor Bonny (Present)

Advisor Healani (Not Present)

C. Approve Meeting Minutes: [GSMM #04](#) and [GSMM #05](#)

- a. GSMM #04: Sen Pale motions; Sen Jaquish 2nds; unanimous; motion passes
- b. GSMM #05: VP Ziadeh motions: Sen Laguatan 2nds; unanimous; motion passes

D. Official Correspondence

- a. Kyson from GSO for EWC Graduate Student Conference
 - i. Kyson: International Graduate Student Conference has to look elsewhere for funding opportunities because of funding cuts; presenting a draft bill to benefit undergraduate students; primary ask is for keynote speaker funding
 - ii. Advisor Bonny: Is there any reference from the past about how many undergraduate students attended?
 - iii. Kyson: usually 10-15 undergraduate student speakers; we ask for funding to waive keynote speakers
 - iv. Advisor Bonny: If there is a record of undergraduate attendance that would be helpful
 - v. Kyson: East West center focuses on international connections, looking to bring in international speaker; looking into travel and housing funding for funding; faculty members need this for tenure; grad students needs this for experience; there will be down wind benefits
 - vi. Pres Watson: what level of advertising
 - vii. Kyson: every single UH department; other university departments; international advertising
 - viii. Advisor Bonny: check if attendees get charged and if there is a profit; cannot fund if 3rd party can benefit; check brochures from last year; check tax laws for international presenters

- ix. Kyson: no charge to sit in on presentations, just registration to submit abstract; all funding will be for putting on event itself; only data that can be accessed is attendance data; funding will be more for presenter fee

II. REPORTS

A. Executives

1. President

- a. Update on recent tabling efforts
- b. Pres Watson: Welina Mānoa 32 people put their names, 29 put their emails

2. Vice-President

3. Treasurer

4. Secretary

- a. Sec Sugui: NSO orientation; good turnout especially for freshman; passed out election packets with Sen Pale

B. Administrative

1. Advisor

2. Operations Manager

C. Judicial Branch

1. Student Court

D. Standing Committees

1. Elections

2. Student Affairs

3. Finance

- a. RIO Funding documents
- b. VP Ziadeh: everything is done for RIO applications

4. Internal Affairs

5. Investments and Long-Range Planning

6. Student Affairs

7. Undergraduate Academic Affairs

- a. Updates on Scholarship Packets
- b. Sen Aglanao: tomorrow is first meeting

E. Other Committees

III. SPECIAL ORDERS

A. [SR 01-26](#) (Request to designate Campus Center as an emergency safe zone)

- 1. Motion to discharge original from committee of the whole: Sen Pale motions; Sen Garcia 2nds; voice vote unanimous; motion passes SR discharged
 - a) VP Ziadeh: would this mean it would be unlocked 24/7?

- b) Pres Watson: asking committee center board; in the event of an emergency, they would unlock bathrooms, etc.
 - 2. Motion to accept amended form SR: Sen Pale motions; Sec Sugui 2nds; passes unanimously
 - a) Roll Call: Pres Watson Aye, Vp Ziadeh Aye, Sec Sugui Aye, Sen Aglanao Aye, Sen Pale, Sen Laguatan aye, Sen Bachiler Aye, Sen Garcia Aye, Sen Jaquish
- B. [SR 02-26](#) (U-PASS fee increase)
 - a) Sen Jaquish: Why is the fee increasing?
 - b) Pres Watson: The City and County needs it; they have a very large deficit, they have to make up 25% of their deficit; increases all other transportation fares (everything's going up); we have to make sure that we can still work with City and County but not jeopardize students
 - c) VP Ziadeh: what happens if we don't pass this
 - d) Pres Watson: If we don't pass this resolution then the UPASS falls through (no more UPASS); if there was an opt in method there would be a higher cost for the UPASS; want to lessen the impact on students by spreading out the cost over 4 years
- 2. Motion to accept SR: Sen Jaquish motions; Sen Pale 2nds; unanimous; motion passes
 - a) Roll Call: Pres Watson Aye, VP Ziadeh Aye, Sec Sugui Aye, Sen Aglanao Aye, Sen Pale Aye, Sen Laguatan Aye, Sen Bachiler Aye, Sen Garcia Aye, Sen Jaquish Aye
 - b) Advisor Bonny: make sure minutes are passed; speak with GSO

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Tabling Matters on September 2nd (E Lili'u E)
 - 1. Pres Watson: 9:30-12:30; pulling out of the event due to conflicting time schedules

VI. OPEN FORUM

- A. Sec Sugui: packets passed out need to be turned in on the dates given
- B. Pres Watson: If this (In person meeting) something we should do more often; either in Hemenway Hall or in the office

VII. CLOSING

- A. Announcements
- B. Adjournment: @6:53
 - a. Sen Pale motions; Sen Laguatan seconds