

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII
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Executive Committee Meeting #16 of the 106th Senate
Thursday, February 7, 2019

OPENING
Call to Order

President Dela Cruz called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM in CC 310.

Roll Call

Present:	President Dela Cruz, Vice President Simeona, Treasurer Honda, Secretary Sakamoto, Senators-at-Large Chun, Kim, Li, Negrillo, Senators Rafid, Ramirez [10]
Excused Absent:	[0]
Unexcused Absent:	[0]
Excused Late:	Senator Juliano [1]
Unexcused Late:	[0]
Excused Early Departure:	[0]
Unexcused Early Departure:	[0]
On Leave:	[0]
Advisor:	Advisor Manini [1]
Guests:	[0]

Reading and Approval of Minutes

a. EMM #15, 106th Senate - January 24, 2019

<i>SAL Chun</i>	Move to accept the reading and approval of minutes for EMM#15 for the 106th Senate.
<i>SAL Kim</i>	Second.
<i>VP Simeona</i>	Move to correct all grammatical, typographical, formatting, and Hawaiian diacritical mark errors.
<i>SAL Kim</i>	Second.
	Motion carries.
<i>VP Simeona</i>	Move to strike President Dela Cruz's name under "Call to Order" and replace it with mine.
<i>Senator Rafid</i>	Second.
	Motion carries.
	Motion carries.

Official Correspondence

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Questions From Auditors

President Dela Cruz

We'll be meeting potentially on Monday. We're going to go over the questions that the auditors sent to us. If you want to attend the meeting, you're more than welcome to attend. We're still missing items. I haven't hunted down the people yet who are responsible for the missing items, but I will.

REPORTS

Executive

President

a. UH Student Caucus Update - February

President Dela Cruz

I just wanted to give you an update regarding our Student Caucus meeting for February. It took place on our campus. We solidified positions that the Caucus is taking on specific bills at the Capitol. Tomorrow, Student Caucus will be lobbying at the State Capitol. Here are the bills we'll be lobbying on and what our positions are. The first topic is regarding tuition and cost of attendance. UH Student Caucus will be supporting House Bill 519, which is to start a pilot program that gives tuition waivers to eligible UH Community College students. There's Senate Bill 907, which establishes a free UH application day to prospective Hawaii students to apply to UH without having to pay the application fee. We're also supporting bills that will expand the Hawaii Promise Plan. Hawaii Promise is starting to be a little more in stone. The University is starting to expand it for four year institutions. The bills that Caucus is supporting is Senate Bill 1282 with companion House Bill 1056 and another House Bill regarding the Hawaii Promise Plan, which is House Bill 1277. These bills appropriate extra funds to the current Hawaii Promise Plan along with Senate Bill 316. Caucus will be supporting the one and only bill that is supporting OERs, which is to establish a task force at the University and to start a pilot program to incentivize faculty to use OERs. Bills regarding the Board of Regents are actually bills we opposed last year as ASUH, but they are back this year with different bill numbers. Caucus will be opposing these bills. This is Senate Bill 919 and Senate Bill 928. One is to decrease the size of the Board of Regents and that the UH Student Regent has to be a campus governing President and the other was to eliminate the candidate advisory council so that the Governor would just get to pick who the Board of Regents will be. UH Student Caucus will once again be supporting collective bargaining for graduate student assistance. The specific bills that Caucus will be supporting are House Bill 919 and Senate Bill 1368. Caucus has also taken a stance regarding increasing minimum wage. The bills we chose to support are House Bill 5 and Senate Bill 168.

Senator Rafid

How many total bills is Caucus looking at?

VP Simeona

We're supporting eleven and opposing two.

President Dela Cruz

Thirteen bills total.

b. Meeting on Classrooms with VP Jan Gouveia

President Dela Cruz

I recently had a meeting with VP Gouveia on Friday. She wanted to talk about classrooms. She wants to start garnering more student input for ideas for renovations for classrooms, specifically Keller Hall and the new Student Success Center. The vision is to transform Sinclair Library into a fully dedicated Student Success Center. She told me that she doesn't want to make these decisions blindly without knowing what would best serve students. She reached out to me to talk to you folks and our constituents to come up with ideas that we want to see in Keller Hall and the new Student Success Center. I invited VP Gouveia to come to one of our meetings to give an update on general capital improvement on campus.

SAL Li

If they want student input, are they going to form a committee or are they just going to ask us once?

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President Dela Cruz This is the first time that she's doing this. I don't think she has a plan on how exactly to get student input. This is her first initial step on getting student input. We can decide if we're actually going to get input from other students or if we're just going to talk about this in the Senate. I really want to get input from as many students as possible.

Advisor Manini When is your input due?

President Dela Cruz She said the end of February.

Advisor Manini I recommend looking at Student Success Centers at other institutions that have about your size population. Then you'll be able to see what kind of facilities they have and it'll give you ideas of things to ask for.

c. Student Athletics Fee Discussion with UHM Athletics **2/14/19 GSM**

President Dela Cruz As I mentioned at our last Exec, the discussion with Athletics got rescheduled. It will be happening next week at our General Senate Meeting. Prepare any questions you might have. I haven't asked for the materials yet, but I will do so.

d. Manoa Reorganization - Working Committee Preferences Due

President Dela Cruz For those who volunteered for the working committees for the Manoa Reorganization, please send me your committee preferences. I need to send that to the Office of the Chancellor, so please get that to me by today.

e. ASUH Senate Work Sessions **Mondays 4:30 - 8 PM**

President Dela Cruz This is something I already introduced in my email. Your fellow officers and I discussed how we wanted to provide the opportunity to get together and get work done. We talked about wanting to open up the office for Senate members only on Mondays from 4:30-8:00 so that Senators can come in during that time frame and do work. This would be really good for new Senators so that we can brainstorm ideas and generate legislation so that they can get their feet wet. This was inspired from the legislation workshop that we had last week. The new Senators who attended were very inspired, so I wanted to keep that going. Even if you don't have any work and you just want to do homework and listen, you can do that as well. This is only for Senators. This is to also get everyone in practice to submit their items to me for the agenda on time.

f. Senate Bills/Acts Follow-Up

President Dela Cruz I wanted to follow-up with those who introduced any Senate Bills or Acts. I've been noticing that there's a lot of issues that office staff has been experiencing. Healani is asking us to recall a lot of bills because we haven't done our due diligence to allocate the correct amount of money. I really want you folks to be courteous about that. I've been noticing this happening a lot this year. If you get a quote, try to allocate a little more than that so that there's a buffer just in case anything happens. Also be sure that you're uploading your bills and acts to Kaulike.

Secretary Sakamoto Yesterday Healani emailed me because I had to update a few Senate Acts. There was also an instance of a Senate Act that was supposed to have been recalled and she asked for it, but I realized it never got recalled. Just a reminder to introducers that if something has to be recalled, make sure it does. Healani is trying to pay for things and the Senate Acts aren't correct so make sure it does get recalled if it needs to.

Advisor Manini Another part of this problem is that if the paperwork does not get all cleared before you guys leave the Senate, the auditors will catch all of these problems. If there's not enough money in the legislation, we're going to get in trouble during the audit. Keep that in mind when the bills initially get written.

President Dela Cruz I also wanted to remind you folks that when you're planning events and you're looking for quotes and want to make orders, make sure that if you're confirming a purchase, let Healani know. Our advisors are the ones with the cards so they should be authorizing the purchases. Make sure Healani is aware that something is about to get paid for.

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g. Reminders

i. Agenda Items: Title/# due Fridays, Document due Mondays
President Dela Cruz Make sure you let me know by Fridays if you want something on the agenda and get the documents to me by Mondays, hence the work days.

ii. General Senate Meeting Reminder: *February 14, 2019 6 PM CC310*
President Dela Cruz Our next General Senate Meeting is next week Thursday.

Vice President

a. Leadership Development
VP Simeona With the decision that the officers made about the work day on Mondays, I'm thinking maybe I should hold mini workshops that fit in on Mondays. I'm trying to reframe everything. I think I'll be able to catch more Senators during these times. I've been scheduling workshops and only five or seven people have been showing up. I'm hoping maybe I'll be able to have more people come since this is now established.

VP Simeona I've been having meetings with professors for the town hall that I am currently working on. I'm close to having the panel all set. I just need to send out the invites and finalize the action plan. Chairs, please make sure you have your one-on-one meetings with me. If you have any meetings or events, please post it on the Google Calendar.

SAL Negrillo I don't think you should change the days for the workshops. The work day is on Mondays and so far all of the workshops have been on Thursdays or Fridays. If you keep to that schedule, I don't think there's any reason to work around the Monday thing. If that time is specifically for us to work on things so that we can get them in on time, I don't think we should have mini workshops or anything.

Treasurer

Treasurer Honda If you're wondering whether or not you're receiving your stipend, please check the clipboard in the office. The cash memo is what I send out and is not necessarily what gets sent through the fiscal office. Healani does make changes sometimes. She hasn't been telling me what changes have been made. I'll do better with keeping up with her. Feel free to ask questions if there are any discrepancies. Don't be afraid to appeal for your Award for Service. If you feel like you have a good reason as to why you should receive your Award for Service if you haven't, feel free to appeal for it.

Secretary

Secretary Sakamoto The Campus Climate Committee had their kick-off event in Campus Center today. I think it went really well. We had a bunch of organizations tabling and we got the word out that we'll be having campus climate events all semester, which I will continue to announce. We also got donations for the Food Vault.

Administrative

Advisor Manini In terms of the pantry, the good news is that this week the pantry has given out over 3,000 pounds of food and toiletries. There have been about 675 visits from students. 15% are graduate students, but the rest are undergrad students. I'll continue to crunch the numbers and pass it to SAL Kim. Thank you for your efforts for food insecurity.

Judicial Branch

Standing Committees

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Campus Life

Chairperson Chun

The food pantry tabling is all set. It'll be on Wednesday, February 27th. Every last Wednesday of each month we'll be having it. I'm just waiting for the advertisement from one of my committee members. At our next meeting, the Blood Bank of Hawaii will be coming in so we can see what ASUH can do to help them out.

Elections

Chairperson Negrillo

The committee has been working hard online to come up with our Elections schedule. I've given Healani the final Elections schedule and she'll double check it before we approve it at our next General Senate Meeting. We have three people who will be candidates for this Special Election.

External Affairs

Chairperson Ramirez

On Tuesday, we're going to have a meeting. I'm trying to decide if it's going to be at 5:00 or 6:00. I'll be meeting with Kacie to discuss our legislative priorities then at that meeting with the committee we'll go over them. I'm going to try to set up tabling to generate the student interest about our priorities.

Finance

Chairperson Li

Next week will be the RIO information meeting. We're prepping for that. We're just working on RIO funding.

Internal Affairs

Chairperson Rafid

We have been doing a lot of brainstorming and working on a quiz for the Senate rules. We've also been working on getting delegates for the campus-wide committees. We got two new delegates. For the General Education Committee, I'm still trying to understand how they do everything. I had to go through training with them.

Investments and Long Range Planning

Treasurer Honda

We're currently working on creating the revision we want to make so that we can hire and fire our investment managers. We're meeting on Monday to go over the language that we'll be revising. Once we get that done, we'll be able to create a proposal.

President Dela Cruz

Our target is to get a lot done at Monday's meeting. From then until our next meeting, which is February 25th, we can finalize it so we can approve it as a committee.

Treasurer Honda

Our investment portfolio is doing quite well. We're about 50-60% recovered from its low point. We should still spend our money on the priorities and initiatives that we set. I've seen a lot of bills and good ideas, but keep in mind that we do have a budget.

Student Affairs

Chairperson Kim

We had our last meeting last week Wednesday. We discussed the UPASS. We have to get Dr. Ideta to sign off on it. Everyone was given their assignments. We haven't been able to meet this week, but we're going to meet next week Wednesday.

Undergraduate Academic Affairs

Chairperson Juliano

A bunch of people who were supposed to be awarded last semester are getting impatient. I think we can get it to them soon. Healani sent me a message today. She went through everyone's names just to make sure that they could get awarded and she realized that two people are awarded a study abroad scholarship and they're not even in study abroad. I'll meet with her tomorrow to go over that. There's a team last semester for the research award who is asking if they can change a line item. At our last meeting, we said that's okay so we're going to introduce that at the next General Senate Meeting. Applications are slowly coming in for this semester. I'm meeting with the Academic Grievance

Committee head next Wednesday to plan a workshop so that we can spread awareness about what the committee does. Maybe we can put something about them in the syllabus.

Other Committees

Hawaiian Cultural Affairs Ad-Hoc Committee

VP Simeona I will be sending out a to-do list soon. I've had a couple of visitors come into my office about the Mauna Kea conversation. I'll try to formulate resos that support their interests. If you want to read up about it, the committee folder has supplementary readings. It's really hard to plan a meeting because there is a variance in schedules.

SPECIAL ORDERS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

A. Senate Resolution 08-19 In Support of a Living Wage
President Dela Cruz I would like to refer Senate Resolution 08-19 to the Committee on External Affairs.

B. Senate Resolution 09-19 In Support of Automatic Voter Registration
President Dela Cruz I would like to refer Senate Resolution 09-19 to the Committee on External Affairs.

C. Senate Resolution 10-19 Divestment from Sub-Minimum Wage Practices
President Dela Cruz I would like to refer Senate Resolution 10-19 to the Committee on External Affairs.

D. Senate Bill 25-19 "Designing a New Student Success Center" Student Idea Session
President Dela Cruz I would like to refer Senate Bill 25-19 to the Committee on Finance.

E. Senate Bill 26-19 To Appropriate Funds to the ASUH/GSO Talk Story Town Hall: Maunakea
President Dela Cruz I would like to refer Senate Bill 26-19 to the Committee on Finance.

F. Award for Service Appeal - Starshine Chun (August - November)
SAL Kim Move to accept SAL Chun's Award for Service Appeal.
VP Simeona Second.
SAL Chun I'm appealing my Awards for Service from August to November. I haven't been awarded it because of the rule change. It got changed that Chairs are not responsible for updating the attendance log and it's the Vice Chair's responsibility.
SAL Negrillo The rule change in the summer was that the Vice Chair would handle both the attendance log and the minutes, but there's a line within the Awards for Service rules that the responsibility for attendance still falls under the Chairperson. There was conflicting rules.
SAL Chun That's why I haven't been getting my Award for Service from August to November. I think I should be awarded them because I've put in a lot of hours for Campus Life.
SAL Kim Move to suspend rules 11-1 g. and 19-4 l. until the completion of this meeting.
VP Simeona Second.
Motion carries.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE SAL CHUN'S AWARD FOR SERVICE APPEAL

Aye(s): Vice President Simeona, Treasurer Honda, Secretary Sakamoto, Senators-at-Large Chun, Kim, Li, Negrillo, Senators Juliano, Rafid, Ramirez [10]

Naye(s): [0]

Abstention(s): [0]

Motion carries.

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G. Award for Service Appeal - Jannah Lyn Dela Cruz (August, November)
SAL Negrillo Move to accept President Dela Cruz's Award for Service Appeal.
SAL Kim Second.
President Dela Cruz I am requesting to appeal my Awards for Service for the months of August and November. I didn't receive it because I submitted my rate sheets late. I'm in a tight financial situation at the moment and every little thing helps. I do believe I deserve my Awards for Service because I've been fulfilling all of my duties.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE PRESIDENT DELA CRUZ'S AWARD FOR SERVICE APPEAL

Aye(s): Vice President Simeona, Treasurer Honda, Secretary Sakamoto, Senators-at-Large Chun, Kim, Li, Negrillo, Senators Juliano, Rafid, Ramirez [10]

Naye(s): [0]

Abstention(s): [0]

Motion carries.

OPEN FORUM

Treasurer Honda

If you're going to be introducing a bill, there is a space on the ledger. I believe Senate Bill 3 needs to get filled. There was initially a bill for that, but it was never introduced so there's a space. One last thing, I do not have the most up to date numbers for the budget. I do know that there are areas of the budget that have not been used for the last couple of years such as the conference budget. I do recommend we use those funds or let me know that it isn't going to be used and maybe we can recall it and allocate those funds elsewhere. If that keeps happening, I'm going to recommend to next year's Treasurer to go with a zero-based budget, which means just starting from scratch.

President Dela Cruz

I just wanted to remind Chairs who might award something from ASUH to our constituents, please make sure you check with Healani to see if these are eligible students. Because a tuition decrease proposal is tentatively going to be approved this month or March, if you're interested in writing a resolution for that let me know.

CLOSING

Adjournment

VP Simeona

SAL Kim

Motion to Adjourn

Second.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jaclyn Sakamoto
Secretary, 106th Senate