

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII
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Executive Committee Meeting #15 of the 107th Senate
Wednesday, January 15, 2020

OPENING

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

Senator Juliano called roll.

Present: President Li, Vice President Rafid, Treasurer Pacanuayan, Interim Secretary Juliano, Senators-At-Large Kim, Manabe, Oshiro, Leval, Senators Balico, Salameh [10]

Excused Absences: Senator Dela Cruz [1]

Unexcused Absences: [0]

Excused Late: [0]

Unexcused Late: [0]

Excused Early Departure: [0]

Unexcused Early Departure: [0]

On Leave: [0]

Advisor: Bonnyjean Manini [1]

Guests: [0]

Reading and Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes for reading and approval.

Official Correspondence

REPORTS

Executive

President

a) Welcome

President Li

Welcome back everybody! I hope you guys had a nice, well rested break. Enjoying your holiday season with yourself, with friends or with family, and I just wanted to make sure we hit the ground running! Today marks the halfway mark before the end of our terms and the academic year. Please keep that in mind as we set and achieve the goals we have for us.

I've already started meeting with the committee chairs so we could talk about the direction each committee will be going for the rest of the semester, as well as planning for the future. Something to think about is that we need to think of who's gonna take our place when we're all gone. Half of us will be graduating and leaving Senate soon, thus there will be a lot of institutional memory lost. Last year, we only lost a couple senators so a lot of that knowledge was retained, but when we depart this year we

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want to make sure we're not leaving this organization behind to start at ground zero. So if you notice anybody in your committees who has the potential to take your place, please start speaking with them about eventually becoming vice chair or chair of your committee because we need to think about the long term. Let's keep up the hard work and pass it on!

Large things that will be happening will be happening will be recent developments in the Legislative session, which is now starting, so there will be a lot of calls with come testimony, as well as moving forward with our different senate initiatives and whatever committee work that you have. I have a longer welcome speech at our next general with a reflection.

Vice President

Vice President Rafid

Hello everyone! New title, but I'm still the same person. First wanted to make sure you got my email and have planned a time to meet with me so I can help you with sticking to your initiative and setting goals for the semester so we can work on them together. As of workshops, they will most likely be starting after the first two weeks. Otherwise, please feel free to contact me if you need me.

Treasurer

Treasurer Pacanuayan

Budget update: General fund is close to \$65,000, so that's like 20-21 more bills. For advertisements, since most of the items in the bills so far have been appropriated from the account number general fund #2325232, we still have \$17,000 in advertising funds unused so go crazy! UAA still has about \$52,000, also for cash awards, I've done the numbers wrong but will consult with Healani when she's back. Only 37% of the Senate got their awards for November, I think it had a lot to do with the fact that people got busy, and as for December probably less than that, so I'm hoping to encourage people to get their rate sheets in on time.

SAL Manabe

I know there's a current rule that states that senators can only appeal their awards up to 3 times. I'm going to look towards probably revising that rule because it's crazy that a lot of work can be put in and people can not get awarded for it because of a little thing that could have resulted from their end or even someone else's end.

Secretary

President Li

As of right now we don't have a secretary, so if you know someone who might be interested, please inform them because we have our elections packet open right now.

Administrative

Advisor Manini

Welcome back!

Judicial Branch

Standing Committees

Campus Life

Chairperson Oshiro

Our Plans

- First CL meeting of 2020: Wednesday, 1/22, 5:00 - 6:00 pm @CC203A
- Future CL meetings: first Wednesdays. Additional work sessions as needed.
- Events

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- Blood Drive tabling
- Food Vault tabling
- Sinclair Study Nights

Some Issues

- Make sure we have enough volunteers to table (collaboration with Finance to involve RIOs!)

Elections

Chairperson Balico

Our Progress

- Election packets OUT!
- Four new senators for the college of arts and sciences
- Will check current senators eligibility for spring 2020 by January 21st
 - Reflect vacant positions on Election packet

Our Plans

- No advertisements for Elections until senator eligibility is checked.

Advisor Manini

You should eventually make a list of which positions are open to publish out to the public after the eligibility is checked.

President Li

So I don't think we'll be completely advertising the packets until Healani can tell us whether or not there are or aren't people on senate who are eligible so we can start filling in their spots.

External Affairs

Chairperson Leval

Our Progress

- Instagram at 1071 followers- big improvement from last semester.
- Finished 12 days of holiday giveaway, winners have been contacted, just need to meet Healani for prizes.
- Olelo' Hawaii language classes have gotten a lot of online buzz, Ka Leo, KITV lots of likes and shares, directing a lot of traffic to social media and FB.
- Legislative Priorities: Leval, VP Rafid, President Li and Leg. Fellow Justin Manina has been hard at work getting it sorted out. Have 13 meetings scheduled with state legislatures in higher ed and lower ed committees. Big PUSH: 5 mental health counselor positions we'd like to see at UHM.
- The workshop for mental health testimony coming soon!

Finance

Vice President Rafid

Our Progress

- Introducing the new CHAIR: Chairperson Ismael Salameh
- Will be filling him in and getting him up to speed by 1/16/2020

Internal Affairs

Chairperson Manabe

Our Progress

1. Changing more structural things within IA
2. Main goal this semester is getting campus delegates, also in need of new senators

Our Plans

1. More external affairs activity this semester too

Investments and Long Range Planning

President Li

We will be having a new chair for Investments, which will be Kelly Ruan. She may be busy due to another commitment but she will do her best.

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Advisor Manini has brought to my attention that a quarterly report is needed for October, November, December, and January.

Advisor Manini

The second quarter report that covers October, November, December needs to be presented to the investments committee in the month of January. So they usually take the month to get the report together in January, otherwise we won't be in accordance to the BOR policy. So it's important that she coordinates to make sure the committee can get this done. If she can't do it because she's busy then you [President Li] and I should get together to figure out how to do it for this month so that it can be done.

Student Affairs

Chairperson Kim

Our Plans

- [Mega-survey](#)
 - Decided to stick with 1 big survey, rather than multiple
 - Committee members assigned to create 5 questions each by next week Monday, Jan, 20, 2020 (reminder email to be sent out).
- New Vice-Chair
 - Decision to be made by next week wednesday
- Student Discount
 - SA Members to volunteer
- UPASS Survey 2020

Advisor Manini

What SA needs to do is conduct an annual UPASS Survey to collect data so that it is available on an annual basis when this body needs to decide whether or not to really go cheap, so that's something that should be done every Spring.

Undergraduate Academic Affairs

Chairperson Juliano

Our Progress

- PREPARED [EVERYTHING](#) FOR SPRING 2020 DEPARTURE
- Had an unofficial meeting yesterday, Tuesday, 1/14/2020 with VC Bowersmith and Senator Renteria
 - Spring 2020 ASUH scholarships
 - Updated [Website links](#) for Office Staff
 - Other UAA goals: prepping new scholarship categories

Our Plans

- SCHOLARSHIPS TO OPEN THIS FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2020 @8:00AM
- CLOSES FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2020 @4:30PM
- Thank you Bobby for advertisement!
- Need to order mini billboards with Campus Center Graphics
 - Place up A\$AP
- Have an OFFICIAL MEETING by next week

Some Issues

- May need more faculty reviewers this semester

Other Committees

OERs

President Li

We had a meeting today with the OER coordinator Billy to further plan out town hall on January 28 from 3-5pm, inviting faculty and students to come learn more about what OERs are, open educational resources, so that they know there is an alternative to paying for textbooks. So at this town hall the first 30 minutes are dedicated to presenting what OERs are, how it's not IDAP, informing them of the cost saving benefits, and the latter half will be like a panel where professors who have adopted OERs will have a chance to be asked questions from students and faculty who may have questions of implementation. Then at the end of this, we will be presenting the student nominated ASUH OER Award that we will be starting up, where students can nominate professors for using OERs and then we can decide who's the best and will award them a special distinction. We might also throw in other prizes but that's still being talked about, but it will be a student led award that we will unveil at this town hall. This is hopefully to push professors to implement OERs in their classes. More info to come at next week's general.

Sustainability

President Li

Our Progress

- Meeting with a Nicole Chatterson, and members of that ad hoc committee.

Vice President Rafid

Yes we met with Nicole about the projects and we're getting updated on what they're working on so we can help.

Mental Health Care

President Li

Originally the strategy for us would be UH submitting a budget request to the legislature asking for more healthcare professionals. During our review of the request with the UH admin, it did not entirely go so well. The chair of the House of Education committee, Justin Woodson, is introducing a bill for us for this funding, so now there's two kinds of vehicles for us to get the money. First being the budget request of the UH admin, and we'll also be pushing a bill. Otherwise, still gonna draw up a lot of student testimonies, showing that students really care.

During their budget hearing, the legislature asked admin what the order of their priorities were, to which they responded: The Hawai'i Promise Program, the mental health care counselors, then something about med school. So at least we're up there!

Part-Time Students

SAL Leval

We're meeting with President Li tomorrow. We have a big advertising strategy that Bobby made the ads for, part of the incentive for voting would be you could be entered to win one of twenty \$25 Amazon gift cards purchased by Healani. Main thing is to advertise election!

Student Housing

Senator Juliano

We're meeting with President Li on the 23rd, who will hopefully coordinate with us to meet with RHA.

SPECIAL ORDERS

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

President Li

We got so much coming up, please help each other out in terms of advertising, volunteering, etc. and let's not forget that we still have this whole semester to go so finish strong! I'm so proud of everyone. Good job!

Vice President Rafid

Also don't forget that we will be starting the new Olelo' Hawai'i language class next Wednesday in CC310 at 3pm so please come by if you can to support.

OPEN FORUM

CLOSING

Announcements

The Next Executive Committee Meeting will be on January 29, 2020 at 6 PM in Campus Center Room 310.

Adjournment

Vice President Rafid

Move to adjourn.

SAL Oshiro

Second.

Vote was unanimous; Motion carries.
Meeting was adjourned at 6:46PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sheena Carmela Juliano
Interim Secretary, 107th Senate