

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII
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General Senate Meeting #07 of the 102nd Senate
Wednesday, August 06, 2014

OPENING

Call to Order

Vice-President Zakimi called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in CC 310.

Roll Call

Present:	Vice-President Zakimi, Treasurer Takara, Interim-Secretary Nguyen, Senator-at-Large Lee, Senators Callihan, Coria, Grunenwald, Kawagishi, Mitsui, Oshiro, Oto-Pale, Sanchez, Sasabe, Sy, Tagaban, Uyeda [16]
Excused Absent:	Senator-at-Large Murakami, Senators Bradley, Elarco, Lawi-an, Rashid, Roman, Schulz [7]
Unexcused Absent:	Senators Kamakea, Mandado [2]
Excused Late:	[0]
Unexcused Late:	[0]
Excused Early Departure:	Senator Kwon [1]
Unexcused Early Departure:	[0]
On Leave:	President Nishihara, Secretary Belisario, Senators-at-Large Nishihara, Onishi, Senator Borge, Samiano, Wainwright [8]
Advisor:	Advisor Manini [1]
Guests:	UH President David Lassner, Mānoa Faculty Senate Vice-Chair Dr. Robert Cooney, GSO President Michelle Tigchelaar, GSO Vice-President Rebekah Carrol, Bret Polopolus-Meredith, Jonathan Dial, Patrick Tam [7]

Interim-Secretary Nguyen Motion to enter executive session.
Senator Grunenwald Second.

Motion Carries.

Interim-Secretary Nguyen Motion to exit executive session.
Senator Mitsui Second.

Motion Carries.

Reading and Approval of Minutes

Senator Grunenwald Motion to accept GSMM #06
Senator Oshiro Second.

Senator Sasabe Motion to fix all typographical and grammatical errors.
Senator Sanchez Second.

Motion Carries.

Motion Carries to accept GSMM #06 carries.

Official Correspondence

Dr. Robert Cooney, Vice-Chair of the Mānoa Faculty Senate

Dr. Cooney I just wanted to congratulate you on what you have been doing. Its been amazing of what you've been doing. You guys will have the biggest impact. It's a long ways to go so I just wanted to tell you guys to keep going.

Its not really the MFS at this point because most people are still on leave. The Executive Committee has unanimously agreed to submit any names except Tom Apple for the position of Interim-Chancellor. We went further to consider other candidates and we found none qualified other than Chancellor Apple. We do not know if we will call a congress which includes all faculty to debrief them on what has been happening. There has been some talk in a no-confidence vote in President Lassner which I believe we'll have to get to at some point. There is a lot of outrage over what happened. It's a matter of getting everyone on board. The freeze has been a red herring for opponents of Chancellor Apple. Chancellor Apple is appalled that this freeze is being applied across all fields rather than what was originally intended. So as you can see, there may be some Vice-Chancellors and Deans who are still conspiring against Chancellor Apple.

President Lassner is planning to come here to solicit names and the Deans are planning to place Reed Dasenbrock in as Interim Chancellor. President Lassner will go through the motions of pretending to ask people.

Testimony

Jonathan Dial I'm Co-Chair for advocacy for GSO. We've been fighting against this for a long time. We first got involved with this when we heard about the hiring freeze. We were gearing up to get vocal about the hiring freeze when we heard this news about Chancellor Apple. Over the course of all of this, there has been so many events. What I'm surprised is the lack of communication between all of us and the university. So what we've decided to do is to be as vocal as we can. What President Lassner is trying to do now is find the groups teaming up to do this to split us up. He is meeting with GSO and has already met with faculty senate. So what I want to stress is that we must stick together.

Michelle Tigchelaar I just want to say thank you all for being with us for this fight. I'm really sad that it is for this reason, but I'm glad that ASUH and GSO are finally working together to fight for this cause. The students have been ignored in this entire process. When we try to speak up, it was just actively ignored. There is absolutely no communication between the university to us at any point.

UH President David Lassner

UH President Lassner

I don't know how many of you were at the demonstration. I'll just do a sort of summary of that. I've heard many of you one or two times today. I'm really happy with how we're moving forward, other than reinstating Tom Apple. So I haven't talked all that much, and obviously that upset a lot of people. That was in accordance with personnel matters. It was also for the university to avoid what this all had occurred. Chancellor Apple had hired an attorney and a confidentiality agreement was set up. I have been Chancellor Apple's supervisor since September 1. We had met almost weekly. I provided suggestions for Chancellor Apple and how he could improve. We had, and probably still have, a good relationship in the process of all of this. Unfortunately I had not seen the change in regards to the financial situation of the university. In July I met with the people who reported to me about his performance evaluation. We had a self-evaluation. We had a 360 degree performance evaluation of this. I will say that I did follow the procedure that UH has followed. Last year's ASUH chair as well as the GSO chair was invited to that, as well as the faculty senate chair. So it was not without input. I advised him that my assessment was less than satisfactory. We talked about. Obviously this wasn't his evaluation. He said he didn't want to hurt the university. I thanked him, he thanked me. The next week, he presented me with his letter with the Governor and Lt. Governor Cced. Later that week he stated that he did send it out to the Ccs and did hire an attorney. We did have a detailed conversation with his separation agreement. He said that he thought we were really close, but he promised his attorney that he would not accept an offer without consultation without his attorney. A few days later, I got an offer from his attorney that included a dollar amount. He also stated through his attorney that we had a confidentiality agreement that he would not speak to the press. Let me share a few problems with why I proceeded with this. 1) the financial situation of the campus. Chancellor Hinshaw has made a few one-time investments. Later, the expenditures continued to grow. The freeze was implemented afterwards. The deans were concerned. The Vice-Chancellors were concerned. The financial problem was well known to those who watch it. There was not, in my opinion, an appreciation on what the seriousness of these financial problems. It's a really hard job and I'm not suggesting otherwise. Part of this to success has been to assemble a leadership team and the deans and vice-chancellors have said otherwise. There has been a real challenge in filling key vacancies. But that's been a part of what someone in this position has to do. I also shared with him the divisiveness in all of this. Upper campus vs. athletics, Mānoa vs. Kaka'ako. I do admit that there are problems at the Cancer Center but that is a statutory fund. There has been some conflict between different units; "my tuition is going to you program" and talks such as that. He has linked it, like many others, to his removal of one of his directors and that powerful forces are pulling my strings to prevent him to do that. I do not approve his action as that is a decision that laid with him. It was his choice. I didn't want to send this to a golden parachute type of thing. We had a stakeholder meeting with the Board of Regents. The position of the University is that we are interested in your input as community members but we want to hold confidentiality in regards to personnel matters. But Chancellor Apple went off script and stated personnel matters and he admitted that it was probably one of the worse professional decision of his career. I like him. He was my top choice for chancellor in the first place. I didn't want to do it but I had to base on what was best for the university. So we came to a settlement after two weeks of discussion. I have heard you, even though I may not have made the decision you all would wish, I hear all the issues you are bringing up. And Chancellor Apple has set a high bar that the next chancellor has to do. I have met with many of the stakeholders and I am not trying to ask anyone to speak out badly about Tom Apple. He does seem like he plans to go back to chemistry. So I have two issues I want to address now. I want to know what qualities you would like to see in an Interim-Chancellor. I'm scheduling meetings with various groups. I want to hear qualities as well as names. The second thing I am worried about immediately is the freeze. The memo came out on the 15th. It was been clarified 2 or 3 times. I'm really concerned with the way the freeze was implemented. Students who at risk need to get classes as well as secure employment. Tom Apple is still the Chancellor

up until the 31st. There was no single incident that made me take away his office keys. And we need to fix the financial situation. The Legislature is not going to come with more money and the Regents aren't going to raise tuition to make up for this situation. I think it can be done, the campus isn't as bad as some other research universities in the country. It's going to be hard. We do have external programs and many faculty has been pointing at the Cancer Center, some at JABSOM, some at Athletics. These are hard problems. I've been seeking community support because these are programs that affect the community. I am not happy that I have caused all this hurt for the campus. But I do hope that you see that what I've done is what is best for the campus.

VP Zakimi

I'll allow the Senate to process everything and I'll provide you all with an update on Monday.

Testimony

Bret Polopolus-Meredith I'm not sure if it is fair for me to say now that President Lassner has left the room without a chance to rebuttal. Student voices may be heard now, but still nobody is doing anything about it. The process is really flawed. We know he followed the procedures but before he moved into hiring negotiations, he was free to launch an investigation to learn what the impact is on the campus. Yet he didn't do all of those things. It's quite disappointing. Kind of regarding what he was saying was that technically Chancellor Apple is still here, he has no power and President Lassner has officially assumed them and has submitted it in writing. So what President Lassner said was technically correct but it may not be correct in the spirit of it. Another problem is in regards to the timeline. Chancellor Apple received his personnel evaluation and a few days later he does a presentation at the Board of Regents. So my closing thoughts, he presented his discussion about the hiring freeze and a few days later he received his termination letter.

Patrick Tam

I am a past senator of the ASUH and no longer attend UHM. But what has happened here at UHM was so shocking to me that I've gotten involved with this. A lot of other students on our campus don't know about this and it's important to inform and educate them about this.

REPORTS

Executive

President

Vice-President Zakimi President Nishihara is returning from leave on August 12th.

Updates

Vice President

Vice-President Zakimi We have many PMs so let's get to it.

President's Message #8:

Senator Oshiro Motion to accept PM #8.

Senator Grunenwald Second.

Motion Carries.

President's Message #9:

Senator Grunenwald Motion to accept PM #9.

Senator Sanchez Second.

Motion Carries.

President's Message #10:

Senator Grunenwald Motion to accept PM #10.

Senator Sanchez Second.

Motion Carries.

President's Message #11:

Senator Grunenwald Motion to accept PM #11.

Senator Sanchez Second.

Kawagishi What is the SCC

Oshiro It is in Sinclair Library. They are trying to make a space for tutoring.

Motion Carries.

President's Message #12:

Senator Grunenwald Motion to accept PM #12.

Senator Sanchez Second.

Motion Carries.

Change in Date: Next General Senate Meeting:

Vice-President Zakimi We will be moving our next General meeting to August 27th. We will be providing you guys more information but it will be at 6.

UH Caucus Meeting: Saturday, August 30, 2014 in CC 307 & 308:

Vice-President Zakimi UH Caucus is the representative body of all the student government bodies of all the campuses. Our first meeting will be here at UH Mānoa. It starts at 9:00 AM and goes to 3:00 PM.

Treasurer

Treasurer Takara July Stipends have been processed.

Secretary

Interim-Secretary Nguyen I'd like to stress to everyone that we are very close to not making quorum. There are 17 members present, and I believe one of us will be leaving early. We need 15 members to make quorum so please keep in mind how many people are present in the room. Additionally, for all Vice-Chairs, please remember to log all the attendance and legislation so office staff doesn't have hard time finding things.

Advisor

Advisor Manini In addition to what Martin said, you might want to check in with people if they would like to have a 5 minute recess if everyone needs a bathroom break or not.

Standing Committees

Campus Life

Chairperson Oshiro We had a meeting on Monday to go over SB 04-15 as well as the Blood Drive. The blood drive is coming up and we are starting to table for that. As for Homecoming, it is

uncertain if we will be having homecoming because we do not know who is actually planning homecoming. We will be having a meeting to discuss that.

Elections

Chairperson Grunenwald We're going to look at the Fall Special elections calendar today.

Senator Grunenwald Motion to look at the Fall 2014 Special elections calendar.
Senator Sanchez Second.

Senator Grunenwald Motion to change on the first page the mandatory orientation meeting to Thursday, September 25th at 5:30 PM in CC307 and Friday, September 26th at 5:30 PM in CC307. Also on the elections calendar, to include the same dates and times.
SAL Lee Second.

Motion Carries.

Senator Grunenwald Motion to approve the elections calendar.
Senator Sanchez Second.

Motion Carries.

External Affairs

Interim-Secretary Nguyen We met earlier this week to go over the legislation that we will be looking at today. For executive committee members, VC Murakami will be taking pictures of everyone next meeting.

Finance

VC Kawagishi We are working on doing the RIO mixer. We are working on the RIO Mixer. That provides them with a chance to meet each other and get more information about funding.

Internal Affairs

Vice-President Zakimi Everything in the PMs, they've been working on getting candidates for that.

Investments and Long Range Planning

Chairperson Lee We had an unofficial meeting on Monday because we didn't make quorum. Merrill Lynch will no longer be our financial advisor.

Student Affairs

Chairperson Mitsui We met last week and we talked about the sustainability issue which will not be looked at today. I also encourage my committee members to be more actively engaged in this issue. It is student centric and we want our student voice to be heard.

Undergraduate Academic Affairs

SAL Lee Chairperson Onishi has put forward a bill to look at the grad test mixer.

Senator Grunenwald Motion to take a 5 minute recess.
Senator Mitsui Second.

Senate went into recess at 7:15 PM.

Vice-President Zakimi called the meeting to order at 7:24 PM in CC 310.

Roll Call

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Advisor:	Advisor Manini [1]
Guests:	[0]

SPECIAL ORDERS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

a. Senate Bill 02-15

<i>Senator Grunenwald</i> <i>Senator Oshiro</i>	Motion to accept SCR 06-15 Second.
<i>Senator Oshiro</i> <i>SAL Lee</i>	Motion to change 101 st to 102 nd Second. Motion Carries.
<i>Senator Sanchez</i> <i>Senator Oshiro</i>	Motion to accept SB 02-15. Second.
<i>SAL Lee</i> <i>Senator Oshiro</i>	Motion to change line item “Doore Shin” to “Entertainment” and “Zachary Parlee” to “Promotional Items” Second. Motion Carries.

SAL Lee Motion to change title to "TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR EARTH DAY."
Senator Oshiro Second.

Motion Carries.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Vice-President Zakimi, Treasurer Takara, Interim-Secretary Nguyen, Senator-at-Large Lee, Senators Callihan, Coria, Grunenwald, Kawagishi, Mitsui, Oshiro, Oto-Pale, Sanchez, Sasabe, Sy, Tagaban, Uyeda [16]

Nays: [0]

Abstentions: [0]

Motion Carries.

b. Senate Bill 03-15

Senator Oshiro Motion to accept SCR 07-15.
Senator Grunenwald Second.

Senator Oshiro Motion to change 101st to 102nd
SAL Lee Second.

Motion Carries.

SAL Lee Motion to discharge SB 03-15 from the UAA Committee.
Senator Tagaban Second.

SAL Lee We were suppose to meet earlier this week
Motion Carries.

Senator Oshiro Motion to accept SB 03-15.
SAL Lee Second.

SAL Lee This bill is to fund the Grad-Ed Mixer.

Senator Mitsui Motion to fix all Hawaiian diacritical marks.
SAL Lee Second.

Motion Carries.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Vice-President Zakimi, Treasurer Takara, Interim-Secretary Nguyen, Senator-at-Large Lee, Senators Callihan, Coria, Grunenwald, Kawagishi, Mitsui, Oshiro, Oto-Pale, Sanchez, Sasabe, Sy, Tagaban, Uyeda [16]

Nays: [0]

Abstentions: [0]

Motion Carries.

c. Senate Bill 04-15

Senator Grunenwald Motion to accept SCR 05-15.
Senator Oshiro Second.

Senator Oshiro Motion to change "Miss" to "Madam"
SAL Lee Second.

Motion Carries.

Motion Carries.

Senator Oshiro Motion to accept SCR 08-15.
Senator Grunenwald Second.

Motion Carries.

Senator Grunenwald Motion to accept SB 04-15.
Senator Oto-Pale Second.

Senator Oshiro This is for the blood drive. We want to give out candy for people who give blood.

Senator Mitsui Motion to fix all Hawaiian diacritical marks.
Interim-Secretary Nguyen Second.

Motion Carries.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Vice-President Zakimi, Treasurer Takara, Interim-Secretary Nguyen, Senator-at-Large Lee, Senators Callihan, Coria, Grunenwald, Kawagishi, Mitsui, Oshiro, Oto-Pale, Sanchez, Sasabe, Sy, Tagaban, Uyeda [**16**]

Nays: [0]

Abstentions: [0]

Motion Carries.

d. Senate Bill 06-15

Senator Oshiro Motion to accept SCR 09-15.
Senator Callihan Second.

Senator Oshiro Motion to change 101st to 102nd
SAL Lee Second.

Motion Carries.

Motion Carries.

Senator Grunenwald Motion to accept SB 06-15.
Senator Sanchez Second.

Senator Kawagishi This is kind of what I went over in the Finance report. We want to do an RIO Mixer.

Senator Oshiro Motion to add a signature.
Senator Sanchez Second.

Motion Carries.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Vice-President Zakimi, Treasurer Takara, Interim-Secretary Nguyen, Senator-at-Large Lee, Senators Callihan, Coria, Grunenwald, Kawagishi, Mitsui, Oshiro, Oto-Pale, Sanchez, Sasabe, Sy, Tagaban, Uyeda [**16**]

Nays: [0]

Abstentions: [0]

Motion Carries.

e. Senate Resolution 02-15

Senator Grunenwald Motion to accept SCR 04-15.
Senator Sanchez Second.

Senator Mitsui Motion to change “Mr. President” to “Madam Vice-President”
SAL Lee Second.

Motion Carries.

Senator Mitsui Motion to add that the committee voted to accept SR 02-15
SAL Lee Second.

Motion Carries.

Senator Mitsui Motion to change the date.
Senator Grunenwald Second.

Motion Carries.

Senator Mitsui Motion to change, under roll call 6 to 7.
Senator Grunenwald Second.

Motion Carries.

Senator Mitsui Motion to change “Mr. Stephen Nishihara” to “Ms. Kelly Zakimi”
Senator Grunenwald Second.

Motion Carries.

Motion Carries.

Senator Grunenwald Motion to accept SCR 11-15.
Senator Sasabe Second.

Motion Carries.

Senator Mitsui Motion to change the date to the correct submission date.
Senator Grunenwald Second.

Motion Carries.

SAL Lee Motion to change “Mr. Stephen Nishihara” to “Ms. Kelly Zakimi”
Senator Mitsui Second.

Motion Carries.

Motion Carries.

Senator Grunenwald Motion to accept SR 03-15.
Senator Oshiro Second.

Interim-Secretary Nguyen This is sort of the culmination of all our efforts.

Senator Grunenwald Motion to add Michele Carbone Director of UHCC and Hedges Dean of JABSOM.
Senator Oshiro Second.

Motion Carries.

Advisor Manini Dr. Ideta is actually the Interim-Vice-Chancellor for Students.

Senator Grunenwald Motion to change Lori Ideta's title to Interim-Vice-Chancellor for Students.
Senator Oshiro Second.

Motion Carries.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Vice-President Zakimi, Treasurer Takara, Interim-Secretary Nguyen, Senator-at-Large Lee, Senators Callihan, Coria, Grunenwald, Kawagishi, Mitsui, Oshiro, Oto-Pale, Sanchez, Sasabe, Sy, Tagaban, Uyeda [**16**]

Nays: [0]

Abstentions: [0]

Motion Carries.

OPEN FORUM

CLOSING

Adjournment

Senator Oshiro
SAL Lee

Motion to adjourn.
Second.
Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Martin M. Q. Nguyen
Interim-Secretary of the 102nd Senate
Senator of the Shidler College of Business