



FACULTY SENATE 2008-2009

Executive Committee: Chair's Report—January 21, 2009

1. All-Campus Council of Faculty Senate Chairs (ACCFSC)—1/8/09 (1:00-3:00, Bachman 113)

Presidential Search Committee Chair Donna Tanouye and representatives from the firm Starbeck and Pimental, which has been retained by the Board of Regents to help in the search for President David McClain's replacement, were guests at the meeting. Search Committee member VPCC John Morton also attended. The ad will be posted in the *Chronicle of Higher Education* this week, with a 20 February closing date although recruiting will continue until the position is filled. The firm met with the Council of Chancellors on January 7, and plans on visiting the various campuses to solicit feedback. The next meeting of the Presidential Search Committee was scheduled for January 10: all meetings are open in compliance with sunshine laws. Although the search firm representatives surveyed the range of possible applicants (CEOs, government, foundations, etc.), the CCCFSC consensus was a preference for individuals with academic backgrounds. CCCFSC members were encouraged to submit names of candidates for consideration.

President McClain joined the group after the Search Committee members left to advise the CCCFSC that, based on the 1/9/09 projections of the State Council on Revenues, State agencies were being asked to initiate the third scenario (20% cutbacks, from \$13.5 to 30.6 million), still partially offset by tuition/enrollment increases and special revolving funds in the case of the University of Hawaii. President McClain noted that despite an incremental increase in tuition of 60% since 2000, enrollment systemwide is up by 9000 students indicating that UH was under-priced.

VPAA Linda Johnsrud joined the group after the President left advising that the system would likely be seeing federal support for student loans rather than other financial support. Groundbreaking at UHWO was set for January 14 in Kapolei. The replacements on the BOR include a student, 2 academics, and 2 business people, with one nominee in the Honolulu category yet to be named. The BOR has accepted the UH Strategic Plan Updates. ACCFSC Co-chair Harry Davis (KAP) recommended that the implications of the campus performance indicators be examined by individual senates. He also recommended examining the findings of the 2008 CCSSE report "Essential Elements of Engagement: High Expectations, High Support" for both national and local trends at www.ccsse.org.

2. Community College Council-Faculty Senate Chairs (CCCFSC)

VP John Morton did not meet separately with the CCCFSC after the ACCFSC as he was accompanying the visiting representatives from the search firm Starbeck and Pimental.

3. Meeting with Mike Pecsok—1/14/09

VCAA Mike Pecsok made arrangements to meet on Wednesday to discuss Senate concerns. He indicates that both the Faculty Senate and Campus Council Executive Committees are included in the Executive Planning Council in addition to the Division Chairs. The Planning Process piece of the LCC Reorganization may need to be revisited with campus governance participation. I conveyed Senate concern about the *process* for prioritization of excess fund expenditures while they remain available. Mike was also willing to consider a coordinated assessment of the effectiveness of campus governance including administration due with the Fall 2009 Assessment update.

3. Upcoming Meetings/Events

Monday, February 9: Campus Council Meeting (2:30-4:00, LA 230)

Thursday, February 19: ACCFSC/CCCFSC Meetings (1:00-3:00; 3:00-5:00, TBD)

Friday, February 20: Board of Regents Meeting at Kapiolani CC

Wednesday, February 25: LEE Faculty Senate meeting (3:00-5:30)

Thursday, February 26: University Council on Articulation (1:30-3:00, Bachman 113)