



FACULTY SENATE 2008-2009

Executive Committee: Chair's Report—April 29, 2009

1. All-Campus Council of Faculty Senate Chairs (ACCFSC)—4/17/09 (9:00-11:00, UHWO B-106)

VP for Budget and Finance/CFO Howard Todo presented an update on the projected UH budget, which continues to be a moving target. He reiterated that the governor's current plan was to cut this year's budget by \$120 million and replace it with federal stimulus money. The State House is currently proposing to cut UH by \$49 million and replace it with \$44 million from stimulus money *in the next biennium*, which, you will note, the governor will have already spent. The Senate's plan was to cut the UH budget a little less to get to the 20% scenario, a total of \$54 million, but then replace \$22 million with stimulus money [SEE the last sentence], so the real cut would amount to \$13 million. The governor's advisor Linda Smith confirmed that using stimulus money to pay down the current deficit is okay according to the federal government: replacement educational funds need to be at or above the 2006 levels to be in compliance with USDOE guidelines. The USDOE also is seeking assurances from the governor relative to new DOE benchmarks: the State's longitudinal data base needs to be constructed to link with UH data on student tracking. Meanwhile, the governor is attempting to recoup \$278 million through employee furloughs and benefit reductions over the next biennium (2010-2011). The Council on Revenues is scheduled to meet again in May when more reductions are anticipated. The good news was that UH had managed to float a revenue bond for \$100 million at 5.18% to cover some UHM, UHH, UHWO (\$10M for development), and LCCW projects. Presidential Search member Naomi Losch presented an update, indicating that four finalists were currently scheduled to visit UHM, MAU, KAU and UHH campuses the weeks of May 4 or 11. The start date for the new president will be August 1.

2. Community College Council of Faculty Senate Chairs (CCCFSC)—4/24/09 (1:00-3:00, BACH 203)

(1) VPCC John Morton shared recent information that Governor Lingle may be changing her strategy about using up the federal stimulus funds earmarked for education to balance this year's budget. As of 4/24, the Legislative Conference Committee was continuing to meet into the evening. (2) As part of his review of the UHCC Strategic Plan Update, Morton indicated that a response to how well individual campuses have done vis-a-vis yearly SP goals would be included as part of the 360 administrative evaluation. (3) He also indicated that there was no desire to impose specific SLO effectiveness standards but that SLOs could be used as exit criteria, a form of preventative relative to passing along underprepared students to the next level, as well as criteria for continuation of a probationary faculty member. (4) And because UHCC campuses had positive feedback on student engagement according to this year's CCSSE data, campuses should instead focus on student motivation. (5) Use of student activity fees at the various campuses are being surveyed by Debbie Nakagawa.

3. LCC Campus Council Meeting—4/20/09 (2:00-3:30, LA 230)

Mark Lane identified Spring 2010 as the point at which effects of the mass transit rail system will begin to be felt at the campus. A permitting system for student parking will need to be initiated when the campus begins to function as a transit stop. Chancellor Manny Cabral reviewed legislative updates indicating that the financial situation with \$500,000 in enrollment compensation and additional scheduled tuition increases still continued to look promising. Campus Council voted to approve the consolidation of the Council with the Executive Planning Committee (EPC), citing the latter as "a creature of the Chancellor," therefore requiring no additional campus input. According to Kathleen Cabral, former Chancellor Peter Quigley presented the EPC as part of Phase II planning to both Faculty Senate and Campus Council, with Senate choosing to vote its approval at the time. The revised constitution with

expanded membership and purview was determined to be in effect as of the date of the April 20 vote. Kay Caldwell will continue as chair in the next academic year, with Beth Kupper-Herr and Della Kunimune serving as vice-chairs.

4. Upcoming Meetings/Events

Monday, May 11: Campus Council Meeting (2:00-3:30, LA 230)

Wednesday, May 13: Faculty Senate Meeting (3:00-5:30, AM 209)