University of Hawaii at Hilo Student Association 2014-15
Notice of Meeting: 14-15:018

Date: Thursday, February 5, 2015
Time: 7:45pm
Place: UHHSOA Office

1) Call to Order
1.1 Meeting called to order at: 7:50PM

2) Roll Call

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3) Establish Quorum
Do we have Quorum?
Y (x ) N ( )
4) Approval of Agenda and Minutes
4.1 – Minutes for Senate Meeting 14-15:018
Motion: CAS Senator Ziegler
Second: CoP Senator Jose
Vote: 7-0-0

4.2 – Agenda for Senate Meeting 14-15:019
Motion: CoP Senator Jose
Second: CAS Senator Ziegler
Vote: 7-0-0

5) Executive Reports

6) UHHSA Committee Reports
6.1 - Caucus
- President Alles: update- big on legislative stuff, current bills in circulation. Graduate student bill- affecting pay. Several we need to keep an eye on- need to give testimony, if need help ask President Alles. Some are coming from our resolution at Caucus, some Senate and some House. If less than 10 students graduating from undergraduate major, they are trying to remove the major completely. **Could lead to losing our accreditation. Representative Choy is presenting it. We should check it out, work with chancellor, see what is going to affect us locally and take stand.
-A couple bills are regarding taking our student fees and sweeping it to “General Fund”.

SAL Saarinen arrives- 7:57PM
Ryu- student; upset with the proposal of this bill, should either be spent or go back to students. Students will be very upset.
Advisor Kusano- We can send testimony as UHHSA or as individual students. *Be clear that your testimony as an individual is states, vs a collective UHHSA resolution/testimony.
-Please submit individual concerns as a student, we can discuss further as a group. Read bills and make opinions.
Advisor Kusono- Make sure the bill you are reading is current, updated version because they alter/change them frequently.
President Alles- If you need help navigating capitol website I can help- will be available Monday.
CoBE Senator Ruggles- I still have ticket to Oahu and can lobby. She is the only one that can use the ticket.
President Alles- We still have money in budget to send senators to testify.
Advisor Kusano- It has more of an impact if multiple people go. Live testimony vs during conference?
President Alles- Chairs of House and Senate for Higher Ed Committee, Choy and Tanaguchi are the ones proposing it. We should talk to them.
7) Unfinished Business

8) New Business
8.1 - New Advisor Job Description
- Only change was the title, please look over and make any corrections you see fit now, once approved- goes to HR to be approved to post job ad.
Advisor Kusano- One thing that needs to be added- *BOR policies Ch. 6 & 7 related to student organizations and fees, some statutes but covered. BOR policies are key.
What are “all required senate activities”?
CoBE Senator- office hours
President Alles- Could be duty of office manager.
SAL Saarien- I would like advisor to have file of these activities, I believe it’s important for them to have it on hand, not necessarily put it all together.
Advisor Kusano- clarify?
President Alles- I believe anything should be recorded, just to maintain consistency of records. If advisor keeps these things so future UHHSA members can have post data. There is currently no organization. Office manager may change every year, but advisor would generally remain the same and can pass on data.
CoBE Senator Ruggles- How do we word that better?
President Alles- Change to--> Maintains a current file of all senate records and templates. Makes it easier and consistent.
CAS Senator Ziegler- I would like to see functional knowledge of budget management instead of management of budget.
Also curious why Admin of justice is a preferable degree?
Advisor Kusano- maybe just say relevant academic programs? Can say all humanities, social sciences and business- broadens your scope and acceptable in HR format, yet still focused. Change under desirable and minimal requirements.
President Alles- change all of them.
SAL Saarinen- I believe political science is relevant, as well as communications and public relations. Why is masters relevant?
Advisor Kusano- it allows two equally qualified candidates to have a tipping point.
DD Mashreghy- Salary figured out?
President Alles- HR will.
CAS Senator Ziegler- Do we want to get rid of the whole preferable/minable and put in desirable.
SAL Saarinen- take out preferable and make it a requirement.
CoBE Senator Ruggles- I believe it could rule out good potential candidates. We may overlook a valid bachelors degree.
SAL Saarinen- I agree, we shouldn’t shut them out before we see them.
CoBE Senator Ruggles- I have other possible additions: maybe add experience facilitating meetings- under related professional experience.
Exec Senator Boranian- I would like to add that they have volunteer hours because we are using a big part of our budget to fund this person- but having someone who wants to volunteer may open the possibilities to having them donate their time.
President Alles- This is suppose to be part time
Advisor Kusano- In order for immediate hire, they must be under 19hours a week. You need to decide this now before we make the ad, because you are committed legally to pay them. Volunteer request must be stated now.
President Alles- Because of all additions we should motion to move to next week so we can look over additions and better prepare draft.
CoBE Senator Ruggles- If you want to join advisor committee, we meet Tuesday at 12:30
Advisor Kusano- I will send this as a draft to HR to see if anything needs to be fixed informally.
CAS Senator Ziegler: Motion to table acting advisor job description to next weeks meeting.
CoPe Senator Jose: Second.

Vote: 8-0-0

8.2 - Senate Bill 14-15:028 It Get's Better
Motion to approve: SAL Cajandig
Second: SAL Campbell
$6000 partial funding for week long event- 7 members in cast, presentations, discussion, events pertaining to modern day injustices (LGBT injustices, education to promote diversity and acceptance).
Second: SAL Campbell
Advisor Kusano- artists originating out of LA- promoting positive atmosphere, anti-bullying. Started working with youth as they became targeted for bullying and violence. It is a weeklong project- many different components. There will be a public performance, UH Hilo Kapilli choir, community chorus and UH Hilo chorus.
Asking from different granting agencies, and all CSO’s.
Three public schools participating- Hilo Intermediate included.
Promotes more accepting campus community, included faculty and staff discussion.
Also there is a video done by lava shoot- different videos from schools compiled into one video which will be used in future events for this program.
Shows that UH Hilo is a safe welcoming community for them because there will be allies + support group.
Total budget $44,000
Will generate about $8,000.
$19 for tickets to public performance
Vote: 8-0-0

Ryu- Philosophical issue- public funds going into event + charging for the event. This limits who can actually go because only those who can afford it can go, and it is coming from student fees. Not right to use public funding to make money. It shouldn’t generate revenue. It should be a fund to pay for services.
SAL Saarinen- There are other free activities, such as Cabaret night. Just the one event is charged.
Advisor Kusano- RISO fees to fundraise
SAL Cajandig- Where is profit going to?
Advisor Kusano- not anticipating any profit  
DD Mashreghy- If there was profit where would it go?  
Advisor Kusano- It would most likely go to future It Get’s Better events, but we are hoping to barely break even.  
Ryu- I think it would be great to make it free for students to attend because flow usually has small turnout. This teaches philosophy of capitalism.  
Presidnet Alles- Please speak to us after because vote was already cast.  

Under other funding  

8.3 - Senate Bill 14-15:037 Film Festival  
- Motion to approve: SAL Cajandig  
Second: DD Mashreghy  
$1500 to assist in Student Film Festival; competition between students of UH Hilo, HCC and highschool students.  
Michael- Promotes education of video production within the community. Lava shoot cannot afford or justify spending money on prizes because it involves non UH Hilo members, but UHHSA’s constitution allows spending fees to recruit high school students.  
Fee: by donation.  
Film submission $10 for non UH admissions.  
Funds collected go to Relay for Life  
Ryu- Is this the first time you’ve done this?  
Michael of Lava Shoot- Third time  
Ryu- How many do you usually get  
Michael- 10, but this is why we are opening it up to the high school, so we can show them we have the resources to do promote this.  
Ryu- What would be cool, if we can pay that $10 for struggling artists of the high school. It could help with recruitment.  
Vote: 8-0-0  

8.4 - Accept VP Resignation  
Motion to approve: SAL Campbell  
Second: SAL Cajandig  
Vote: 8-0-0  

8.5 - Appoint new VP – Ardena Saarinen  
Motion to approve: CoP Senator Jose  
Second: SAL Cajandig  
- Ready to take responsibility!  
Vote: 7-0-1  

9) Announcements  

10) Advisor Report  
-CSO Advisor Mahoe- BOSP Flow next week Feb 18th from 6:30PM-9PM  
Still looking for those who want to table. Talk to Demi Rodriguez.
CoBE Senator Ruggles- What's going on with the vacant positions?
President Alles- We just need to set up interviews

Exec Senator Boranian- I have recently hired 6 people for the Waste Diversion Project. Spending students fees on students to give them jobs, allows them to receive funds back in a direct matter. Though it's not a lot it is still something. 9 people total now, got enough people to cover it full time. I will be requesting money for this project in the future.

Ryu- I wonder if that is a lack of service from the university? I hope that as you move forward that the University can fund this. Maybe this can come out of Sodexo’s cost?
Exec Senator Boranian- I picked up from previous Senator Wong and it didn't fall apart, but I understand where you are coming from.
CAS Senator Ziegler- There should be adequate time to train the future UHHSA members what to do, to continue this service
VP Saarinen- We should make a resolution for Sodexo since we set this up from them.
Exec Senator Boranian- Keeping it here allows us to maintain the control that we do. Maybe we can request more composting bins for campus.
CAS Senator Ziegler- It's a great idea but it's difficult to even get people to recycle their cans.
VP Saarinen- This is a social issue we need to address.
Advisor Kusano- Trash talkers – student educators on sustainability. It focuses on educating. It is not unusual for student organizations to create a project then transition it to a standing program of that organization. This is how a lot of programs start. I do agree the University needs to take more responsibility.
VP Saarinen- There needs to be statewide initiative so that we can follow up under that.

11) Next Week’s Meeting
Feb 12th, Thursday @ 7:45 PM in Room 306.

12) Adjournment
8:53PM