



MINUTES

Meeting Date:	January 21, 2022
Meeting Location:	Virtual via Zoom
In Attendance:	Jean Ippolito (Chair), Margary Martin, Sukhwa Hong, Travis Mandel, Sue Jarvi, Jason Cabral, Brian Bays, Nicholas Krueger, Steve Herman, Margary Martin, Alex Nagurney, Francis Dumanig, Daniela Guendisch, Lisa Canale, Rayna Morel, Sijie Sun, Shawon Rahman, Patricia Hensley, Ozan Atalag, Karen Pellegrin, Jarred Prudencio, Kananinohea Māka‘imoku,, Amy Saxton, Chun Kuo, Leng Cheng, Yucheng Qin, Chris Lauer, Seri Luangphinit, Bonnie Irwin, Kris Roney, Farrah-Marie Gomes, Richard Griffith, Joseph Sanchez, Shelby Iwamoto, Jim Mike, Mariane Takamiya, Kristi Nakamura, Shihwuh Sung, an anonymous attendee labeled “faculty”
Absent:	Randy Hirokawa, Matthew Knope, Hannah Blue
Recorded By:	Chris Lauer
Call to Order:	3:01 PM
Adjournment:	5:11: PM

TOPIC: Approving 11-19-21 Minutes
REPORT: None
ACTIONS: With no objections, the minutes are approved.

TOPIC: Consent Agenda
REPORT: No report
ACTIONS: With no objections, the consent agenda is approved.

TOPIC: Report from Chancellor Irwin
REPORT: Hawai‘i Island received a Build Back Better Phase One grant; if we are selected for the second phase, then it could result in a significant windfall for the university and island. A youth engagement project on the Kona side is seeking the university’s input on student wellness and physical fitness; the Kohala Institute is exploring a collaboration with the university that may bring support for research at UH Hilo. The Chancellor’s Community Advisory Board will be finalizing its membership and will meet soon.
ACTIONS: None

TOPIC: Report from VCAA Roney
REPORT: UHPA and the UH System have come to an agreement about being able to work on workload policies. The next step is to consult with chairs; FC will be consulted along the way. There is a new interim dean of the DKICOP. There have been a lot of budget requests coming in, and the budget committee should be consulted on these. VCAA Roney will also be asking FC for input on how to improve the university’s infrastructure, especially including supporting research.

Faculty will also be consulted in potential changes in course modality policies. By Fall 2023, we should consider significant changes in how we offer classes.

ACTIONS: None

TOPIC: Report from VCSA Farrah-Marie Gomes

REPORT: The Student Death Protocol is nearly complete and will soon be shared with a relevant committee on Faculty Congress. Title X Family Planning Funds had been suspended during the Trump Administration and will soon be restored. They will provide opportunities for internships and student service opportunities. Remember that Dean of Students Chris Holland is a resource for when students experience mental health challenges.

ACTIONS: None

TOPIC: Report from Joseph Sanchez on FERPA concerns regarding online courses

REPORT: Grouping courses together on Laulima can in some circumstances violate FERPA. This might lead some legislators to attempt to collapse online courses into much larger sections. Because some suggestions involve workload issues, a member suggested that these matters be left to UHPA.

ACTIONS: Steve Herman moves to move Joseph Sanchez's proposal to the APC; Jan Ray seconds; motion passes 19-0-1

TOPIC: Chair's/Co-Chair's Report

REPORT: The FC website includes all motions and standing committee reports. The blog for the FC strategic vision has been updated and posted. The notes and recording of the FC Town Hall meeting on the new GE proposal are also both posted. The all-campus GE committee is soliciting nominations of faculty members from each campus. Vice President Deb Halbert is soliciting comments on the academic policy review process. Regent Wilson has suggested having faculty representation on the Board of Regents; a non-voting representative from the ACCSFC is more likely as it would not require an act of the legislature.

ACTIONS: Steve Herman moves to recommend that the forthcoming all-system GE proposal summer institute have at least one faculty member from each campus. Jan Ray seconds. Motion passes 18-0-1; Steve Herman moves that FC form an ad hoc committee to work with administration on workload equivalency questions; Sue Jarvi seconds; motion passes 18-0-1.

TOPIC: Standing Committee Reports

REPORT: APC Chair Jan Ray: No report
Assessment Support Chair Seri Luangphinit asked for comments on the WASC schedule draft.
CRC Chair Alex Nagurny: No report
Faculty Development Commitment Chair Yucheng Qin: Many thanks to Francis Dumanig for being the interim chair in the fall semester; a call has been made for proposals
GE committee Chair Chris Lauer: no report
Student Success and Admissions Committee Chair Karen Pellegrin: No report
Distance Learning Advisory Committee Convener Jan Ray: Grady Weyenberg has been nominated as Chair of the committee. Jan Ray moves that bylaws

requiring standing committee chairs be FC be suspended to allow him to serve as chair. Motion passes 19-0-0.

TOPIC: College Senate and Liaison Reports

REPORT: Shihwu Sung is now chair of the CFNRM Faculty Senate. No reports from the CAS and CoBE senates. CNHS Senate Chair Travis Reports that there have been changes to faculty scheduling; DKICOP Senate Chair Sue Jarvi reports that the college has a new Dean, who was hired without faculty consultation. VCAA Roney clarified that typically Interim Dean positions do not involve faculty consultation. KHUOK and the Library have no additional reports. Research Council Liason Karen Pellegrin reports that SEED grant applications are due March 1. Faculty have access to specialists who can help them with extramural funding.

ACTIONS: None

TOPIC: Past Motion Tracking Update: 21-22-003 Motion to include representation for lecturers (both full and part-time) on Faculty Congress

REPORT: Other campuses allow lecturers to be members of their respective senates, but there are no campuses that have a specific representative *of* lecturers.

ACTIONS: The motion was referred to the FCEC. Because it was already being discussed there, no new motion was needed.

TOPIC: Responses to Past Motions:

21-22-008 Motion to establish communication pathways between faculty and administration on matters related to the “initiation, review, and evaluation of proposed, probationary, or established research, instructional and academic programs” (UHPA R-20).

21-22-009 Motion to Allow Special Topics and Experimental Courses to be Dual Listed

21-22-012 Motion to Immediately Provide Workload Calculations

21-22-013 Motion Requesting Administration to Change the Wording on the Sabbatical Leave Application to More Accurately Reflect the Terms of Continuation After Sabbatical

REPORT: Kris Roney delivered responses to all four motions, which were sent out with the agenda.

ACTIONS: None

TOPIC: Old Business: 21-22-010 Motion for Reports on the System-Wide GE Proposal

REPORT: The original motion was proposed when the timeframe for commenting on the GE proposal was compressed. At the December FC meeting it was suggested that administrators not be involved in committees until faculty can decide upon a GE plan.

ACTIONS: Jan Ray moves to table the motion until our next meeting. With no objections, the motion is tabled.

Faculty Congress moved to executive session at 4:30

TOPIC: New Business: Motion 21-22-014: Motion to Approve the Attached Summary Report of the Results of the October 2021 Survey.
REPORT: A brief discussion concerning the objectivity of the Summary Report resulted in a call for a vote.
ACTIONS: Steve Herman moves to approve the summary, with an addition of the n for how many respondents answered each question; Shihwu Sung seconds;
Vote: 9-4-6 (Whether or not this is a majority of eligible voters is questioned.)

TOPIC: New Business: DKICOP Interim Dean Search
REPORT: There was a lack of communication regarding the search.
ACTIONS: None

TOPIC: Adjournment
REPORT: None.
ACTIONS: Jan Ray moved to adjourn at 5:11 pm, and the motion was seconded. With no discussion, the motion was approved with all in favor.

ABBREVIATIONS:

FC = Faculty Congress

EC = Executive Committee of Faculty Congress

VC = Vice Chancellor

CAS = College of Arts and Sciences

CAFNRM = College of Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resource Management

CNHS = College of Natural & Health Sciences

DKICP = Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy

CoBE = College of Business and Economics

KHUOK = Ka Haka 'Ula o Ke'elikōlani College of Hawaiian Language

LIB = Library

BOR = Board of Regents

UHHSA = UH Hilo Student Association

CEC = Chancellor's Executive Committee

ACCFSC = All Campus Council of Faculty Senate Chairs

VCSA = Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

VCAA = Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

PIG = Permitted Interaction Group