



MINUTES

Meeting Date:	November 20, 2020
Meeting Location:	Virtual via Zoom
In Attendance:	Ozan Atalag, Philippe Binder, Jason Iota Cabral, Francis Dumanig, Mary Louise Haraguchi, Patricia Hensley, Steve Herman, Eric Heuer, Randy Hirokawa, Tobias Irish, Patsy Iwasaki, Susan Jarvi, Frank Kuo, Chris Lauer, Seri Luangphinit, Kanani Maka`moku, Sharad Marahatta, Rayna Morel, Alex Nagurney, Joyce Norris-Taylor, Donna Ohora, Karen Pellegrin, Yucheng Qin, Shawon Rahman, Janet Ray, Michael Shintaku, Andrey Simonov, Sijie Sun, Shelby Wong, Kris Roney, Kalei Rapoza, Armando Garcia-Ortego, Em de Pillis, Daniela Guendisch, Farrah Marie Gomes, Brian Wissman, Kerri Inglis, Matt Platz, Francis Cristobal, Susan Shirachi, Scott Ferguson, Sarah Marusek, Mazen Hamad, Maria Haws, Dianqing Sun, Chris Frueh, Michael Bitter, Pat Juscak, Catherine Becker, Charmaine Higa, Harold Barkhoff, Amir Mohammadian, Cheryl Ramos, Amy Saxton, Kainoa Ariola, Keith Edwards, Jim Mellon, Jene Michaud, Kristen Mollegard, Cindy Griswold
Absent:	Kevianna Adams, Sunyoung Kim, Matthew Knope, , Joy Lovell, Jarred Prudencio
Recorded By:	Karen Pellegrin
Call to Order:	3:01 PM
Adjournment:	4:42 PM

TOPIC: Opening Remarks

REPORT: FC Chair Jan Ray called the meeting to order, confirming quorum via zoom attendance. She noted that FCEC voted to suspend all routine business at today's meeting due to the budget crisis and to give administration up to 30 minutes to make comments. VC Kalei Rapoza provide updates from the Long-Range Budget Planning Committee stating they were getting close to being able to present information to the campus. He reported that the timeline to present a plan to the Board of Regents had been moved to January 7. In response to questions, Kalei stated that the delay in making announcements was to make sure they put a lot of work into it, that it's a high stress situation, and that people's livelihoods will be impacted. VC Kris Roney stated there is no plan and that they've been taking feedback on the data that had been disseminated previously. She indicated she was distressed by the lack of knowledge about what student affairs does. In response to questions, Kris indicated she would be releasing new data next week and that it would be quantitative not qualitative. Chair Jan Ray read the following written statement sent to her by Chancellor Irwin, who was unable to attend, with the request that Jan read it at this meeting. (This document is available on the Faculty Congress website.)

At 3:42, the request was made to move into a faculty-only session; although the bylaws do not have a mechanism for this, the executives said they would respect this request and left the meeting.

ACTIONS: None.

TOPIC: **Budget Crisis Committee**

REPORT: Budget Crisis Committee Chair Steve Herman provided updates from the All-Campus Council of Faculty Senate Chairs, which he attended on behalf of Chair Jan Ray. He then presented key concepts from the Budget Crisis Committee, including the problems with the pro-rata approach, the shift in resources from academic affairs to other units since 2013, the declining enrollment since then, and the importance of a strategic approach that preserves the core mission of UH Hilo. Steve reported the committee is seeking to add members and noted the urgent timeline would likely require electronic voting. There was discussion about the concepts presented by Steve as well as about when the next meeting would be scheduled.

ACTIONS: Steve Herman moved to allow electronic voting on items from the Budget Crisis Committee for the next three months, and the motion was seconded. There was brief discussion about voting methods. The motion was approved with all but one in favor, 0 against, 1 abstained

TOPIC: **Program data concerns**

REPORT: There were discussions about problems with the data that had been distributed by VC Rapoza to evaluate programs. Faculty reported on inaccuracies that had been found and discussed concerns about use of the data for making budget decisions.

ACTIONS: None.

TOPIC: **Adjournment**

REPORT: None.

ACTIONS: Steve Herman moved to adjourn at 4:42 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