ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING
Friday, November 12, 2010
Ka’a’ike 105
1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

MINUTES


I. Call to Order at 1:35 PM

II. Reading and approval of 10/8/10 minutes – mahalo to Tim Marmack for presiding.

III. Guest: David Tamanaha on Johnson Controls, Kulana’ao

Energy service contract timelines:
11/2008- State pre-approved contracts for energy, 11/2009 UHMC prepared RFP, UHMC requests bond financing for $7 mil to pay for energy conservation measures for 20 years, 4/2010 UHMC selected Johnson Controls, 2/2011- plan to implement contract. Johnson Controls has plan for renewable energy as well, separate from that supported by 7 mil. The $7 mil covers retrofitting, new chillers, and maintenance. Johnson has already completed a study of the campus and outreach sites. Projected savings over 20 years = $1.5 million.

Questions: Any grant financing? Financing not final yet.
Better monitoring of conservation? Climate control should be more efficient, we can offer suggestions to them. Reimbursement from MECO for photovoltaic energy? Our base kw is too large, so cannot sell energy back.

Photovoltaic panels- 300 kw system in 2 back rows of parking lot. Will do in increments. Molokai will also get panels. Question about accidents in parking lot, would location of panels be vulnerable? David will look into. Johnson aware of sea air issue.

Kulana’ao Student Housing: David Tamanaha and Alvin Tagomori
Agora realty sale offer- under assessment. Appraised at $13.9 mil, Agora appraised at $26 mil. We are also seeking environmental assessment (6-8 months); financial feasibility (UH Hilo helping to look at this in detail). Question- can use be changed to some offices, classrooms as well as students/faculty? unknown. How are rates for students determined? BOR (Alvin) depends on local rents, etc. Student housing on other campuses, how many credits to qualify? Depends, full-time or could be less.

Announcement- 7 campuses going to voice over IP phone system. Can call any campus with 4-digit extension. Also able to have wireless, will be expandable to new lecturers, classrooms, etc. Re-key of all buildings to take place, over 20 years old.

IV. Continuing business
• Reminder – grades must be in by 12 noon Tuesday, Dec. 21. Try to get them in by PM of 20th. Need grades for probation policy.
Rubrics for programs – still under discussion. External accreditation could mean program review not needed.

V. New business

- Need representative to serve on statewide community college academic policy task force. Purpose is to reach consensus on policies across the CC system. Example, residency policy (12 credits in major on campus to earn degree from that campus). Probation policy, forgiveness policy, etc. Will allow rep to be selected by Policy and Procedure committee.

- Request from UH System to consider revising academic calendar, common course numbering.
  BB-wise to start on Monday and end on Friday; trimester worth thinking about. No quorum today will vote on whether to consider this next meeting.
  Common course numbering- monumental can of worms as then curriculum could not be different across campuses. BK- Vocational programs are pretty standard across system. Mechanism in place; but common course numbers and curriculum may work against individuality.

- Palaeua- history, 20 acres in Makena gifted to campus 10 years ago; historic sites there; intent to go to Hawaiian studies. Questions about liability, care of land, etc. UH Foundation has agreed to take liability. Presentation to BOR next week regarding whether we will accept gift and care in perpetuity. Community supports. BOR and Chancellor looking for commitment. 19 high-end units nearby; 9 parcels abut the land (1/2 of 1% of resale will go to support). Hawaiian studies and other programs could draft proposal for what to do with land. Similar to MACC, verbal promises have not all materialized.

- Elaine interested in moving much of business discussions for senate into a consent agenda format

VI. Standing committee reports/updates

- Curriculum: BK Griesemer
  ECET, ABIT, and others up next month. Curriculum central should actually be up soon.
- Assessment: Jan Moore
  Reading program reviews; next year will talk about improving process.
- Procedures & Policy: Kulamanu Ishihara/Tim Marmack
  Working on charter. Currently, in absence of quorum of ABC groups, ASEC makes urgent decisions.
- Planning & budget: Robyn Klein- report sent by email; Donna requests that the committee meet
- IT-C: Rosie Vierra/Joyce Yamada, today Kalama 104A Dr. Lorrin Pang
- Nominations/elections: Crystal Alberto-no report

VII. Ad hoc committee reports/updates

- Service learning/Civic engagement: Frannie Coopersmith- no report
- Social committee: Misti Furomoto – event Dec. 2.
  5-8Pm, How UHMC stole Christmas; hotdogs, nachos, etc.; games; open to all faculty, staff, and families, kids free with canned food; movie 6PM-8PM "How Grinch stole Christmas"
- Safety plan and procedures: Ryan Daniels- no report
  In process of hiring chief security officer
VIII. Senate chair report – see attached

IX. Announcements

• Survey- Constance Williams, Healthy Hawaii Initiative
• President Greenwood visiting UHMC on Wed., 11/17. Open campus meeting 3-4 p.m. in Ka’a’ike 105BCD
• BOR on campus Thursday 11/18. Faculty can testify on concerns as desired.

X. Next meeting/adjourn - Friday, December 3, 1:30 p.m.

Senate chair report – 11/12/10

Achieving the Dream
National conference is in Indiana in February 2011. Campus team has been identified to attend.

Implementation of new Compass policy was discussed. Incoming students need to know that they should take it seriously. Strategies to share information with students on how it impacts their education were discussed.

Chancellor’s Exec. Comm.

Updates included congratulations to all, student retention from spring to fall was 65% - about a 10% increase.

New marketing director is Emily Sullivan.

All Campus Council Faculty Senate Chairs (ACCFSC)

- Eric Engh’s name was sent forward as UHMC representative to Faculty Distance Learning group.
- President Greenwood joined the group and discussed:
  o Tuition – looking at possible models, including giving students a fixed rate for X number of years.
  o Budget questions and ways to increase faculty input into campus budgets continues. UHM aiming for a two-day budget workshop aimed at faculty in Jan. Discussion continues as to how it would be supported (UH system said no) and whether it could be conducted by polycom.
- VP Johnsrud is hoping to have common summer school tuition across campuses – looking at either $213 or $249/credit at 9 campuses (UHM summer is same as S/F). Hoping to get BOR approval soon, target is Summer 2012 for implementation.
- Should there be common course numbers/SLOs (some campuses calling them Course Learning Outcomes – CLOs) across the system? If so, would a 4-digit numbering system be better – require ALL to change? What does the Senate think?

Community College Council Faculty Senate Chairs (CCCFSC)

- Need campus representative to CC system committee on grading policies.
- Concern raised about increasing # of students with PTSD and other conditions. Campuses are working on procedures.