

**Associated Students of University of Hawaii Maui College**  
**Student Government Council Meeting**  
**Minutes for 11/1/2016**  
**ASUHMC Office in Pilina Room 134**

**1. Called to Order:** 3:23PM

**2. Roll Call**

**Present:** Derae Shibata, Stephanie Haro-Sevilla, Akane McCann, Tristan Yver, Tyler Pamplin, Isabela Ramirez, Amateo Flores and Cynthia Foreman.

**3. Volunteers/Guests:** Terrence Nguyen: Came to observe the way student government operates, is perhaps interested in becoming a member.

**4. Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda with amendments to new category as well as committee and event reports made by Tristan Yver, seconded by Akane McCann. Yes: All, No: None. Motion carried by the council.

**5. Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve minutes made by Tristan Yver, seconded by Akane McCann. Yes: All, No: None. Motion carried by the council.

**6. Request for Funding (RFF's):** None at this time.

**7. New Business:**

**A. Spring Budget:** Tabled until next meeting.

**B. Spring Events:** Tabled until next meeting. We'll need to look at successful events from fellow campuses that we can apply to our own campus. Each member has been asked to brainstorm ideas to bring to the table for next meeting.

**C. Reception on November 7th:** Will be held in the Class Act Dining room from 5:00PM-7:00PM on Monday Nov. 7th. Executive officers are to attend. Event is to celebrate a book by Julie Checkoway. Members should wear student government official shirts- this is a Fundraising event held by UH Foundation.

**8. Committee/Event Reports:**

**A. Caucus Report:**

- 1.) **Tristan:** Caucus is revising the constitution and bylaws, updates have not happened since 2004. Essentially the president would not be end all say law, positions of power. Questions proposed to all delegates: What is your campus doing well? What needs to be improved? Different campuses reported different issues- generally it seems there is not a lot of student government participation- trouble getting students engaged. Some campuses don't even have a council. There are infrastructure issues with parking and a lot of deferred maintenance on buildings. Fees have been brought up as an issue, one fee that would be put towards athletics, is this advocacy for our students? Smoking on campus is also an issue for most campuses- there is a lack of enforcement and no repercussions. Fees, smoking, parking, and low participation and funding. Registration will be moving from the MyUH portal to the Star program. Each campus is asked to bring issues to the council, unified voice to caucus. Budgets for the health centers is an issue on many campuses. Kauai doesn't have enough SG members, more students interested in being on SAC. Other campuses have issues with public prayer, not as extreme as our UHMC issue. One campus wants to remove their Vice Chancellor. Tristan was made responsible for coordinating delegates that will be attending board of regents meeting.
- 2.) **Stephanie:** Different events that show support and involvement. The aggressive Christian group has created a hostile learning environment. We are trying to take action but not a lot can be done at this

time. Smoking really is an issue- many students don't know that this is a school that this isn't a 4yr university. The board also feels this is a concern- it's an issue that we don't offer enough 4yr degrees. Caucus has exciting upcoming discussions, UHMC can contribute as a council. Title 9 transparency, easy access of resources for victims of assault. Public transportation for all campuses. How do we get all the campuses involved- what do we bring to caucus- what will be our focus. None of the other councils did an event to promote voting in November elections. Manoa has taken into consideration mental health of the students. Next meeting is Nov 19th, Oahu, Kauai in December. Trying to make caucus more unified- all student govs into caucus, maybe 3 day meetings instead of 1 day, really unified and team building. UHMC tentatively hosting caucus in May, Caucus can provide money for food.

**B. Free Printing:** Serviced about 25 students during this week of free printing. One whole class came but were not able to print because a council member did not show up for their assigned time and the office was closed. Scheduling will be updated for the finals week of free printing so that we have fewer hours available but with doubled up staffing so we don't have a situation like this again. Council members must be responsible and communicate with the group. Other than this scheduling mishap, students seemed very pleased with the free printing.

### **9. Officer and Advisor Reports:**

- A. President:** Derae Shibata: Asked that if a member of the council is going to miss an event or meeting they let her know in advanced. There needs to be an actual confirmation, whether it be an email, text or phone call. Also, please do not use student government printers to print items unrelated to school. At events and meetings, or general gathering when you are representing the council please don't swear or be out of uniform.
- B. Vice President:** Akane McCann: Pacific Islander tuition seems to be an administrative issue. Students are charged the 150% tuition and when they register for classes they are signing away their right to ever get in-state tuition. Many students speak english as a second language, were not made aware of the residency issues, and it's standing in the way of them being able to afford an education. With this information Akane McCann wants to take a different approach in asking caucus for help on this issue, will keep us updated as progress is made.
- C. Treasurer:** Tyler Pamplin: There is still a small amount left in our budget. From the combined categories, at least \$400.00 to fall back on should the council face any unforeseen expenses.
- D. Secretary:** Isabela Ramirez: None at this time.
- E. Student Government Faculty Advisor:** Chancellor's office is moving forward with the purchase of the water refill stations. Asked Akane if there an Exec. meeting this month? It is not until December 2nd. Asked Tyler to write an email to Tim Botkins, the new head of the Budget Committee on campus to introduce himself and find out when the next meeting is.

### **10. Campus Committee Reports:**

- A. Strategic Planning Committee:** Akane McCann emailed out a powerpoint that was presented at the meeting. Discussed the goals of each campus. How do we meet those goals? What are our future plans? On pg 24 of the slides there is a link to the sector mapping project, a website the committee has just launched. The website is designed to help with occupation as well as education planning. Provides comparisons with other states as far as salaries and statistics. This could play a huge part in future student success. In addition, the Chancellor would like the council to host an event to "talk story" with students about what is efficient. Chancellor would like to be present for this event. Council discussed other ideas such as: A suggestion box. An open survey. A face to face feedback to get students involved. etc.

**11. Announcements and Next Meeting Date: Nov 15th, 2016 at 3:15PM** Next Tuesday is Election Day - don't forget to vote!

**12. Meeting Adjournment: 4:36PM**