

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes  
April 10, 2015

Attendance:

Alik, Wilbert	Ishiguro, Amanda	Simpson, Trevor
Atherton, Rinnel	Jetñil-Kijiner, Kathy	Solomon, Beylul
Baileikorocau, Waisiki	Lekka, Meitaka	Sumaoang, Moses
Bojos, Rosalie	Perkins, Pamela	Sumaoang, Rosalinda
Canonigo, Ernest T.	Peter, Florence	Switaj, Elizabeth
Castañõ, Luciana	Ribeiro, Ricardo	Teshome, Seyoum
Giardullo, Laura	Savu, Vasemaca	Trevor, Mike
Good, Catherine	Seru, Jennifer	Van Auken, Mary
	Shutz, Lola	Willson, Nik

1. Meeting called to order at 11:10 am.
2. Minutes of March 27<sup>th</sup> meeting approved with two abstentions.
3. Old Business
  - a. Research Ethics Board – The proposal has received many excellent comments. The next step is to have a meeting with those interested in discussing specific points before bringing it to the full senate. If you are interested in attending this meeting, please let Amy, Elizabeth, or Mary know
  - b. Housing Policy
    - i. The electronic voting on the proposed housing policy was challenged due to the variety of documents that had been a circulated.
    - ii. A motion to invalidate the vote was passed.
    - iii. Motions to vote immediately on the existing housing policy proposal and to require, in the senate by-laws, that all proposals be published in final form at least 24 hours prior to voting were tabled until the following meeting, together with discussion of the subject.
4. New Business
  - a. A motion to recommend the formation of a Marshallese Studies Department was passed.
    - i. During discussion of this motion, the question of how the chair will be selected was mentioned.
    - ii. The next step is for the chair of the CAC to take this recommendation to the IPC.
5. Committee Reports:
  - a. EC, IT, Student Life & Conduct, and Physical Plant did not meet.
  - b. HR and Library representatives were not present.

- c. EMC representatives were not present, but it was noted that some issues around early registration have not been settled yet.
  - d. IPC has been working on moving from writing the SWOT to considering how the SWOT can inform the strategic plan and what activities to use to reach specific goals. Each goal will have a team leader who will seek ideas around campus.
  - e. CAC, in addition to recommending the formation of the Marshallese Studies Department:
    - i. approved the procedure for creating a new academic department.
    - ii. approved two new programs:
      - 1. Marshallese Language Arts Certificate Program
      - 2. Marshallese Social Studies Certificate Program
    - iii. and approved two new courses:
      - 1. MAR 160 Marshallese Public Speaking
      - 2. MAR 290 Marshallese Capstone
6. Further New Business
- a. Currently, there is a lack of clarity around when faculty receive school fees reimbursement. The issue of whether the benefit should be expanded to cover non-WASC schools and be available as cash to parents who choose to homeschool, as well as whether the \$500 limit should be per student rather than per family was raised.
  - b. The issue of there being no travel assistance available for faculty who would like to leave the island during the summer was also raised.
7. Announcements
- a. Developmental Education is hosting its fundraising concert for the Emson Makroro scholarship on the 17<sup>th</sup> and is seeking both performers and sponsors.
  - b. Faculty are encouraged to share their research at the Pacific Educators' conference this July.
  - c. Faculty who require students to access specific resources in the library should place those items on reserve so that they are available for all students and not just the first ones to visit the library.
8. Meeting adjourned at 12:02 pm.