

LEEWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE
2006-2007 Faculty Senate

APPROVED Minutes of the August 23, 2006 Meeting

Joseph Chernisky, Chair
Aulii Ross, Vice Chair
Michael Lane, Secretary

SENATORS PRESENT: K. Caldwell, K. Chambers, J. Chernisky, L. Chun, L. Currivan, K. Fujishima-Lee, M. Fujita, C. Ganne, C. Hochstein, B. Hotta, D. Kunimue, M. Lane, S. Laycock, P. Lococo, D. Matsumoto, S. May, A. Ross, D. Sakai, J. West, L. Yamada

SENATORS ABSENT: R. Liongson

GUESTS: Dottie Sunio

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 3:13 PM with a quorum.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes from May 10, 2006, were approved unanimously with minor corrections.

CAMPUS REPORT:

Chair Chernisky provided an update on work of the Reorganization Committee, which has operated for the last three years. The Reorganization Committee initially recommended that the number of administrators increase from seven to nine through the conversion of two faculty positions. Chair Chernisky noted that he voted against this proposal. Chancellor Quigley subsequently accepted the recommendation of the Faculty Senate that no faculty positions be converted. The college later was granted one position by the UH System office.

Chancellor Quigley requested that Reorganization Committee reconvene to reassess the proposal. At the meeting, the committee decided to present the new version of the proposal at a faculty forum. Additionally, UHPA took the position that the changes require that the proposal be resubmitted to the faculty. The general consensus of the Reorganization Committee is that the faculty have another opportunity to respond as well.

Senator Lococo asked if there would be a DPAA, to which Senator Hochstein responded that the DPAA would be a special assignment.

CHAIR'S REPORT:

<p>Motion 06-59 (Ross/Chambers): To approve the one year appointment of Leanne Chun to the 2006-2007 Faculty Senate replacing Stacy Thomas.</p>
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<p style="text-align:center">PASSED – Unanimously</p>

Chair Chernisky suggested the formation of several possible ad-hoc committees (See handout). With one exception, votes on new ad-hoc committees were delayed until the next meeting to provide the senators time for consideration.

Motion 06-60 (West/Ross): To approve the appointment of Senator Fujita and Senator Yamada as co-chairs for the new Faculty Morale Committee.

PASSED – Unanimously

Chair Chernisky asked for volunteers to chair the Faculty Senate Standing Committees. The volunteers are listed below. Chair Chernisky informed the Faculty Senate of Senator Liongson's desire to volunteer as co-chair of the Elections Committee.

<u>Senators</u>	<u>Committee</u>
Senator Fujishima-Lee and Senator Kunimune, Co-Chairs	Academic/Institutional Support
Senator Fujita, Chair	Budget and Planning
Senator May, Chair	Curriculum
Senator Yamada and Senator Liongson, Co-Chairs	Elections
Senator Currivan and Senator Sakai, Co-Chairs	Faculty
Senator West, Chair	Legislative Relations
Senator West, Chair	Program Review
Senator Laycock, Chair	Student

Motion 06-61 (Hochstein/Ross): To approve the Chairs of the 2006-2007 Faculty Senate Standing Committees.

PASSED – Unanimously

Chair Chernisky asked the Faculty Senate to come up with a process to address decision-making during the summer when the Faculty Senate is not convened. The chair suggested that the Faculty Senate develop a mechanism to monitor issues during the summer, as issues arise and are addressed without oversight by the Faculty Senate. Chair Chernisky asked Senators to consider the issue, which will be addressed during a future Faculty Senate meeting.

Chair Chernisky suggested that the Faculty Senate consider charging a Faculty Senate Standing Committee with the task of conducting a review of the UHCC Faculty Classification Plan and SLO revisions and to report on the principles and practices of the legitimate use of SLOs for faculty tenure and promotion. The standing committee subsequently would forward the report to

Interim VPCC John Morton. Questions were raised about how the SLOs were to be used and whom they would affect, but no definitive answers were given. Senator West stated that SLOs are supposed to be used universally, not to assess individual faculty members. However, Senator Currivan said that according to the UHCC abstracts for the AACJC, two other campuses besides LCC (HCC and HawCC) have included language that links SLO achievement to individuals. A discussion followed that the faculty should have control over standards for incoming students, if SLO achievement, based on student performance, will be used to assess individual faculty members.

Motion 06-62 (Currivan/Ross): To charge the Faculty Committee to conduct a review of the revisions to the UHCC Faculty Classification Plan and SLOs and forward a report to Interim VPCC John Morton.

PASSED – Unanimously

Senators discussed the digitization of the Faculty Senate minutes. Secretary Lane will consult with the Copy Center about issues involved with the digitization process. Senator Hochstein reminded the Faculty Senate of the need to maintain a paper copy of the minutes in the Library, as is done currently, or some other location.

Chair Chernisky informed the Faculty Senate that each senator is requested to complete a Faculty Senate SWOT form for the accreditation process.

Chair Chernisky asked Senators to note the following Web sites that contain updated information on the LCC Planning/IR Data: <http://emedia.leeward.hawaii.edu/cs/planning/>, (Budget) <http://emedia.leeward.hawaii.edu/cs/blanning/budget/>, and (Real-time enrollment) <https://its06.hawaii.edu:9657/irodr/>.

Finally, Chair Chernisky expressed the commendation of the Faculty Senate to the 15 LCC Tenure and Promotion recipients; the 147 LCC students who graduated with honors, made the Dean's List, or were accepted as members of PTK or PBL; and Ms. Carol Cagle, the recipient of UHWO's Chancellor's Award.

Executive Team Report

Vice Chair Ross read a letter of thanks to the Faculty Senate from former Senator Stacy Thomas, who resigned from LCC to take a position at Kamehameha Schools.

Additionally, Vice Chair Ross reported on pertinent discussions at the recent LCC Leadership Retreat, which was held on August 18, 2006. She stated that the issue of the College Planning Process was raised; in particular, the kinks in the process and how the process can be improved were discussed. Budget processes were highlighted by DAS Mark Lane, who noted that the college was awarded additional money and that the BOR shortly would review other items requested by the college.

Vice Chair Ross informed Senators that the LCC Administrative Disenrollment Procedure was completed without input from the college's counselors. In the ensuing discussion, Senator Lococo inquired about the recommendations of the Faculty Senate from the previous semester, and Senator Hochstein stated that the counselors want to be informed, so they can discuss the policies with students after they receive notification of their disenrollment. Senator Caldwell noted that the number of purged students seems to be relatively low, 12 in Language Arts during the Spring 2006 semester. Apparently most students disenroll themselves once they realize that they do not meet course prerequisites.

Vice Chair Ross ended her report by outlining the improvements to the Student Lounge, which now has a voyaging theme, and stated that the Social Sciences Division will be asked to submit the name of a volunteer to serve as a faculty senator, as no one from this division was elected in the last election.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ACADEMIC/INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT COMMITTEE – No report.

BUDGET & PLANNING – No report.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE - Senator May, the newly-approved Curriculum Committee Chair, stated that the deadline for submission of proposals to the committee is Friday, October 20, 2006.

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE – No report.

FACULTY COMMITTEE - No report.

LEGISLATIVE RELATIONS COMMITTEE - No report.

PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE – No report.

STUDENT COMMITTEE - No report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Yamada announced the hiring of a new baker, Michael Scully.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Michael Lane, Secretary