Student Congress – General Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 7, 2016 @ 4:00 PM – Iliahi 123AB

**Student Congress Members & Standing Guests**

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| **Present** | **Absent** | **Congress Member** | **Club/Organization** | **Proxy** |
| x |  | Tasi Yanger (tyanger) | ASKCC Student Congress  President |  |
| x |  | Ish Salameh (salameh2) | ASKCC Student Congress  Vice President |  |
| x |  | Jamie Nguyen (nguyen47) | ASKCC Student Congress  Secretary |  |
|  | x | Chris Gapas (cgapas) | ASKCC Student Congress  Treasurer |  |
| x |  | Stephan Bradley (stephan9) | ASKCC Student Congress  Public Relations |  |
| x |  | Jessica Macaso (jmacaso) | Bayanihan Club |  |
| x |  | Vanessa Ranon (vjranon) | Board of Student Activities (BOSA) |  |
| x |  | Lei Leon (leon8) | Board of Student Publications (BOSP) |  |
| x |  | Alohi Madrona (emadrona) | Ecology Club | Alex Awo |
| x |  | Zoe Espinola (espinola) | Economics and Business Club |  |
| x |  | Jonathan Wallen (jwallen) | Engineers for a Sustainable World @KCC Chapter |  |
| x |  | Christopher McCann (cm41) | Every Nation Campus |  |
| x |  | Cathy Ferreira (cf93) | Ho’opili Hawaiian Club |  |
| x |  | Ashley Cabrito (acabrito) | HOSA (Future Health Professionals) |  |
| x |  | Rachelle Mansilungan (castror) | Information, Communication & Technology Club (ICT Club) | Daniel Thipphavong |
|  | x | Chivalry Butler (chivalry) | International Club (I-Club) |  |
|  | x |  | KapCC Accounting Club |  |
|  | x | Michele Knaus (knausm) | Kapiolani Association of Research in Microbiology (K.A.R.M.) |  |
| x |  | Robert Arima (rarima) | Anime Club |  |
|  | x |  | Math Club |  |
|  | x | Dori Leong (dori7) | New Media Arts (NMA) Club |  |
|  | x |  | Occupational Therapy Assistant Club |  |
|  | x |  | Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society |  |
|  | x | Angelica Fernandez (mzaf) | Pre-Med/Pharmacy Student Assoc. |  |
|  | x | Christine Gillie (csgillie) | Rad Tech Club at KCC |  |
| x |  | Justin Ferrer (jferrer) | Students of Hospitality Industry Mgmt. Association (SHIMA) | Jamie Nguyen |
|  | x | Janel Tagalicud (janeltag) | Upena |  |
| x |  | Marco A Nevarez (nevarezm) | Warriors Assistance League |  |
| x |  | Shannon Sakamoto (sks78) | ASKCC Student Congress  Faculty Advisor |  |

**Guests**

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| NAME | AFFILIATION |
| Veronica Ogata (vogata) | Student Success Coordinator |
| Uliana Kostareva (uliana) | Student Nursing Association |
| Karl Abella (kjabella) | Student |
| Deran Yamada (deran) | Economics and Business Club |
| Jared Singh (jaredmj) | Board of Student Activities - Secretary |

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|  | **Discussion** | **Action** |
| Meeting Called | Meeting Called to Order at 4:02 P.M – President, T. Yanger |  |
| RIO Voting Rights Update | The following clubs have been approved from OSA as official RIO:   1. Bayanihan 2. Ecology Club 3. Economics and Business Club 4. Engineers for a Sustainable World @ KCC Chapter 5. Every Nation Campus 6. Ho’opili Hawaiian Club 7. ICT Club (Information, Communication & Technology Club) 8. International Club (I-Club) 9. KapCC Accounting Club 10. Anime Club 11. Math Club 12. New Media Arts Club (NMA) 13. Planned Parenthood Generation Action 14. Pre-Medical / Pharmacy Student Association 15. Rad Tech Club at KCC 16. Students of Hospitality Industry Management Association (SHIMA) 17. Upena 18. Warrior Assistance League   One RIO has one vote. If the RIO brings more club members to the General Meeting, only one vote will be counted. |  |
| Approval of Minutes | Minutes of the:   * October 17th Meeting   **MOTION #1: Motion to approve minutes.**  Amendments: none | MOTION #1:  Motion: Ish  Second: Alex  7 – Yes  0 – No  0 – Abstain |
| Faculty Advisor Update | **Moderated by Shannon Sakamoto**   * Traffic Cards: red - yellow - green cards * Student Congress General Meeting usually has guest speakers or administrators who come to give informative presentations to student leaders/student representatives. Last General Meeting on October 17th, Joanne Whitaker and Sunny Pai had a presentation about the College’s Accreditation. Most of the information was too heavy or too new for student leaders/student representatives to understand. The traffic cards are to check the temperature and status of understanding of students. |  |
| President Update | **Moderated by Tasi Yanger**   * Systemwide Student Success Council   + Administrators, faculty and staff from the UH System come together and plan on improving UH educational system, presentations on fixing the educational system, so it’s more student friendly→ increase transfer, enrollment, and graduation rates   + Location: Windward Community College * UH Student Caucus   + All UHCCs and Universities gather around to discuss system problems, issues   + Discussed Systemwide Issues:     - Ex: Transportation, Parking problems, etc.   + Currently working on by-laws * Kapi‘o News   + CSO’s made a proposal to Kapi‘o News regarding the creation of a CSO related tab on their online website - Creating now   + Student Congress working to put all information on Kapio News including forms, minutes, etc.   Discussion: How to make the general meeting to be more engaging, to keep the conversations and discussions going?   * Warm up activities for members to get comfortable on a friendship level, and then develop to a level where all can be engaged in discussing at the more formal level.   i.e: What’s your favorite games? Movies?   * Way to understand what happening around the campus * Clearly communicate topics ahead of time, so representatives can discuss with their clubs * More interactive items * Create a folder of information * Note @ General Meeting invitation: Be clear about what need to be prepared to discuss before the meeting * Need previous student leaders/student representatives to mentor new members about roles and responsibilities.   Social Hangout: 3:30pm  General Meeting: 4:00pm  Starting from November 21st.  Discussion: Why are the general meetings formal and serious?   * Student Congress is the student governing organization on campus, which approved by the Board of Regents. Student Congress must have a formal procedure and attitude in the meetings. Documents such as minutes and proposals need to be formal and professional, for Student Congress’ accountability. | ACTION: Jamie to send out two invitations: Social Hangout and General Meeting |
| Vice President Update | **Moderated by Ish Salameh**   * UH Strategic Plan   + Presented by John Morton, Vice President of UH Community Colleges   + 5 year plan to increase student enrollment, transfers, and graduation   + Resource: Packet of plans and research are available for review in Student Congress Office - ‘Iliahi 129 if interested * Student Congress Survey   + Available in Spring 2017   + Focuses on various possible student fees. Further discussion on how to implement fee to improve better transportation, technology issue as well as parking issue.   + Additional fee suggestion: UH Athletics Fee   + RIOs are welcome to give input   UH Athletic Fee Suggestion Background:   * A group of students from KCC’s EBUS 101 class were assigned to create an idea and see how far they could move the idea along. The idea is for a fee to be implemented so KCC students pay $50/semester in addition to the $30/semester regular student fee, to include open admission to attend UH Manoa athletic games. There is no opt out options for part-time students. * KCC’s EBUS 101’s group created a survey and asked approximately 200 students if they would go UH Manoa athletics events. The group organized a meeting with Student Congress to represent the results with desire to push this project to happen. * Student Congress has concerns because their survey did not mention the cost of a fee, but whether or not students would be interested in attending. * The fee implementation has a projected potential return of 8% to Student Congress if implemented. Currently, 100% of student fees ($30/semester) stays on campus for KCC students. Another issue raised was that 92% of the proposed student fee would go to UHM Athletics, and only 8% would stay at KCC. * The group testified about their proposed fee with a committee of the Board of Regents. Student Congress was notified that the project representatives confirmed with the BOR that the survey went through Student Congress. The instructor was contacted to clarify the situation, as the survey did not go through Student Congress, but the topic will be addressed in a future survey conducted by Student Congress. * The group still actively doing survey around the campus.   Student Congress:   * Student Congress will conduct an independent survey, and the goal is to have it done by January 2017. * The survey will be sent out to the student body through OFIE. * Student Congress needs student input because this makes a difference on student fees being implemented. * Only results from an official survey of Student Congress will be reported to the BOR by Student Congress. |  |
| Secretary Update | **Moderated by Jamie Nguyen**   * Member-at-Large Application Form   + Opportunity to participate in Student Congress as an official member without being a representative of a RIO.   + Form is available in Student Congress Office, both physical and online form   + [CLICK HERE!](https://docs.google.com/a/hawaii.edu/forms/d/10Q77KzA6srT0KhJdPqKBzWwSpttNZPIP5M52U-kpl8c/edit)   Discussion: How many seats are available?   * There are no limits of seats.   Discussion: How will the representative and member-at-large being treated differently?   * They all will be treated equally as voting members. * Student Leaders Seminar   + Friday, November 4 - 8:30am-4:30pm   + UH Manoa Campus   + All 7 UHCCs   + Informative training with new information   + UHCCs to update and discuss campus issues. Brainstorm solutions and support. * Travelling Abroad Opportunity   + Deborah K. Nakagawa - Executive Assistant to the Vice President for CCs   + Good opportunity to study abroad | ACTION: Tasi to send the RIOs information |
| Treasurer Update | **Moderated by Christopher Gapas**   * Tabled until the next general meeting due to absence |  |
| Presentation: STUDENT SUCCESS PATHWAY MODEL | **Moderated by Shannon Sakamoto and Vern Ogata**   * The model was adopted by all of UHCC campuses. The model was re-customized for KCC students. The model wants to make sure every student goes through and experiences every stop of the model, and make sure that the campus is treating them appropriately. * The model was made from the UHCC strategic plan and to match with the plan to create better educational plan   Activity: Students to look at the pathway, find themselves in the model and think about..   * How can the campus make their experience better in each of these stages * Please send feedback too Shannon * Opportunity for Student Congress to help make the experience better * Opportunity to pass it on to the younger generation   Student Congress is a governance organization. Student Congress is the official voice for the students, so student representatives sitting in the meeting have chances to contribute in making better change.  Student Success Pathway Definitions   * Connect: Interest to entry * Prepare: Registration to Selection of Academic & Career Pathway * Engage: Entry into Pathway to Completion of first semester courses * Learn: Persistence in Pathway to 75% Completions of Requirements * Achieve: Final semester to attainment of Pathway & Goals * Thrive: Alumni of Lifetime Connection |  |
| RIO Discussion:   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | What can KCC do to make your experience better? | What can you do to make it better? | | CONNECT | * Increase outreach to High Schools * Perception of a “less than” option * NSO’s are too long * Easier & more access to the process * Financial Aid simplified & follow up improved * Who to talk to about specific things * Overall info needs improvement * Students don’t even know what to ask * Increase access outreach of standard business hours * Instructive advising model * Mentoring day, from more senior students | * Communicate better on what info is needed * Seek the info yourself * KCC current students return to their high school to the incoming students * Sharing knowledge about resources * Student input on documents that are distributed to incoming students | | PREPARE | * Textbooks - clarity on what is needed * Syllabus in advance, so students know what to expect (1 week in advance is sufficient) * Talk to someone about majors * Tangible calendars of important dates * Clearly know how a teacher sets their class up (learning styles) * Make e-cafe results required to be public & accessible * Training on how to Laulima, via video tutorials, not the “HELP TEXT” page | * Know my learning styles * Learn how to navigate MyUH, Laulima | | ENGAGE | * Don’t have instructors teach courses at a rigor of an upper division or grad level course * Issue with instructors who don’t know the content, just need the hours for master degree * More resources for support, & awareness of the resource * Identify faculty vs. instructors | * Understanding differences of faculty vs. instructors * Utilize resources & identify them on campus | | | |
| Ho’opili Hou Conference Applications | **Report by Ish Salameh**   * Extended deadline until November 7, 5:30 PM |  |
| RIO UPDATES | **Moderated by Tasi Yanger**  **ESW**   * Met two weeks ago. Went over possible collaborations with the service learning team on campus, and collaborations with UHM’s engineering council. * Trying to determine how to move forward on our green house project that is attached to the kokio building   **NMA**   * No updates   **HOSA**   * Finished registration for the club * Picking events in progress   **BOSA**   * Snack n Chat: Talking story with 3 CSOs every Wednesday 11am-1pm * RIO Club Day: Wednesday, November 15 - 10-2pm. Send email to BOSA’s Advisor - Alfred Gonzales at [alfredg@hawaii.edu](mailto:alfredg@hawaii.edu) * Ice Cream Social with EBC   **BOSP**   * Finished last survey with 37 responses * Logo contest to all student body. Winner gets $150 gift card with personal choices depends on list of options * Still deciding on equipment through board voting   **Ho’opili Hawaiian Club**   * Invite everyone to tinyurl.com/kccnhevents. Promoting Malama Aina * Clean up at ancient fishponds and lo’i - get dirty and free lunch * Movie night   **Warriors Assistance League**   * Veteran’s Day - November 11   **ICT**   * Trying to go to Black Cat Convention in Las Vegas. #1 Cyber Security Content training. Everyone around the world is coming. * Planning to have fundraising events to raise $50K, projecting a cost of $5K per person.   **Bayanihan Club:**   * General meeting on Wednesday, November 9 * International Week, performing on Nov 19th in the cafeteria.   **Economics and Business Club**   * Co-hosting Ice Cream Social with BOSA - Nov 15 * Donate and provide toppings bar to make sundaes * International Week: Doing fundraising event by selling Krispy Kreme donuts: $12/dozen. Pre-order: $10/dozen   **Every Nation Campus**   * Christian based organization which has 4 charters in 4 other UH Campuses: UH Manoa, LCC, UH West Oahu and KCC. * Friday, November 4: meet up at Manoa with UHM Charter. * Tuesday, November 8: Break Out Waikiki - 20 students coming * Friday, November 11: morning hike at Diamond Head - 9am   **Ecology:**   * Bi-annual Hakalau trip to the Hakalau National Wildlife Refuge in Hilo, Hawaii. Out-planted 875 endemic trees. Beat last semester’s record of 717 trees. Got off the plane at 5am from Hilo, Hawaii. * Veteran’s Day: Having a night tide-pooling event hosted by the KCC Marine Option Program (MOP) * Thursday, November 17, environmental studies students in the Kai Yama Program who studied abroad in Japan are doing an environmental presentation about their experience. * Opportunity for student to know more about environmental science students who got to study abroad. Meet with students and talk about environment issues. * Saturday, November 19 go to Pouhala Marsh in Waipahu to outplant more trees. Also going to Mount Ka’ala, the highest peak in Oahu go explore the only bog in Oahu. * Go to Kaneohe, for Papahana Kuaola’s La Ohana Day. * STEM Expo: December 1st at 9:00 AM. Career, exploration and experience fair * 3 fundraiser events:   + Calendars   + Diamond Head Craft Fair on Sunday, November 13, 2016   + Reef-safe Sunscreen Sales   **SHIMA**   * Oahu Tour: join with HOST 168 going to Dole Plantation, Shark’s Cove, Kahuku Mills, Pali Lookout |  |
| Meeting Adjourned | 5:44 PM – Meeting Adjourned |  |
| Minutes Taken by | Jamie Nguyen  2016-2017 ASKCC Secretary |  |