

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I
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Executive Senate Meeting #4 of the 108th Senate
Wednesday, July 8th, 2020
Zoom

OPENING
Call to Order

President Albano called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM on Zoom.

Roll Call

Present:	[11]	President Albano Treasurer Oshiro Secretary Gogue SAL: Anuszezwska, Bowersmith, Williams Senator: Chua, Columbres, Regaspi, Seals, Keim
Excused Absent:	[1]	SAL Kaeo
Unexcused Absent:	[2]	Vice President Ogata-Tambua, Senator Kim
Excused Late:	[0]	
Unexcused Late:	[0]	
Excused Early Departure:	[0]	
Unexcused Early Departure:	[0]	
On Leave:	[0]	
Advisor:	[1]	Advisor Manini
Guests:	[0]	

Reading and Approval of Minutes

a. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes #03, 108th Senate - June 24, 2020

SAL Anuszezwska Motion to accept the reading and approval of minutes for Executive Committee Minutes #3 of the 108th Senate.

Senator Regaspi Second.
Vote was unanimously in favor; Motion carries.

Senator Seals Motion to approve Executive Committee Minutes #3 of the 108th Senate.

APPROVED BY THE 108TH SENATE THE 5TH OF AUGUST 2020

SAL Anuszezwska

Second.

*Vote was unanimously in favor; Motion carries.
The minutes of Executive Committee Meeting #03 with amendments was approved.*

Official Correspondence

Testimony

REPORTS

Executive President

Return to Fall 2020
President Albano

I just wanted to update everyone. I kind of sent some updates about this in the email I sent everyone regarding the return to fall. As you might know we received an email about the course delivery format changes. So registration is currently on pause and also if you look on STAR you will notice that your registration date has kind of been reset in a way. I know mine says Monday July 13th at six p.m. for example. So registration is on pause right now for STAR to update the type of course delivery that different courses are having and I highly encourage everyone to take a look at this list that's on here. It will send you to this website and there's a spreadsheet that is going on. I think there's a spreadsheet that I saw in this email that talked about the different types of courses and the changes whether it's online, hybrid, or in person.

The second link I have is also for the livestream forum that Provost Bruno hosted last week. It's the entire two hours that is linked and it goes straight to the youtube link with the forum. I just wanted to remind people about that, I know a lot of people are having questions about it. If students are worried about how their courses are going to be affected or if their course is going to be online then I highly recommend that you watch the link here.

Vice President

New Senator Orientation/One-on-One Meetings

President Albano

I don't think Vice President Ogata-Tamuba is present today, but these are the things she was talking about and I know updated me about. The one on one meetings are underway and I think she still needs to send out the when2meet for the New Senator Orientation which probably will happen within a couple of weeks or as soon as possible, so Senators can get a sense of ASUH and you know the rules and responsibilities within the Senate.

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Treasurer

Treasurer Oshiro

Just a reminder that rate sheets are due tomorrow night at 11:59 p.m. We are seeing the budget for this upcoming Fiscal year tonight and I believe its being referred to Finance, but I just wanted to let you know.

Secretary

Secretary Gogue

No report.

Administrative

Advisor Manini

No report

Judicial Branch

Standing Committees

President Albano

Campus Life

Chairperson Seals

Our Progress

Had an unofficial meeting & discussed:

-shirts & masks

-hand sanitizer

Our Plans

Distribute tasks

Get paperwork together

Form group text chat

Elections

Chairperson Columbres

Our Progress

Meetings set for Monday at five p.m.

Met up with Ms. Healani yesterday

Our Plans

Prepare for first official meeting

Get open positions from Donavan

External Affairs

Chairperson Chua

Our Progress

First Committee meeting on July 7th

Discussed committee framework

Responsibilities

Communication

Useful tip from 107th

New ideas

Transparency

Our Plans

Work with Campus Life for Fall return

Alternatives to Welina Mānoa, As(You)h week

Survey for senate members to gauge who will be around for
Senate pictures & shirts/nametags

Issues

Uncertainty in number of students who will return to campus

Finance

Chairperson Williams

Our Progress

No Report

Our Plans

Send out when2meet form to plan our first meeting to look over the
2021 budget before the next general meeting on 7/15

Internal Affairs

Chairperson Keim

Our Progress

Planned first meeting

Our Plans

First meeting tomorrow: July 9th 4:00-5:00 HST
Informal meeting: going over introductory information and plans for
the fall
Going to vote on the best day/time to meet

Investments and Long Range Planning

Chairperson Regaspi

Our Progress

No Report

Our Plans

Trying to schedule time for our first informal meeting and not have
received Grayston consulting reports

Issues

Having difficulties with member participation and lack of overall
correspondence.

Student Affairs

Chairperson Kim

Our Progress

Reviewed Senate Resolution 01-20

Our Plans

Establishing a CSO of Student Culture/Diversity organizations

Environmental Affairs

Mental Health

LGBTQ+ Advocacy

Pushing for more sanitary products in bathrooms

BLM

Pushing for the defunding or abolishing of police

Working with UAA to incorporate African American
Studies/Queer Studies into the UHM graduation requirements
(ideally separate from Hawaiian, Asian, and Pacific Issues
requirements)

More Cross Collaboration with Campus Life, UAA, and Externals
Addressing student outreach through the implementation of regular
town halls, office hours, and surveys

Issues

Great ideas from committee members but, but we haven't had the opportunity to meet to discuss specifically we need to plan more into detail and will have a meeting later on for this.

Undergraduate Academic Affairs

Chairperson Bowersmith

Our Progress

First meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 14th at four p.m. HST on Zoom

Our Plans

Assign tasks to committee members for scholarships
Prompt ideas
Updating applications forms and websites
Advertising
Discuss committee initiatives

SPECIAL ORDERS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Bill 01-21: Establishing the ASUH Budget for Fiscal Year 2021

President Albano

I'd like to refer Senate Bill 01-21: Establishing the ASUH Budget for Fiscal to the Finance Committee. So thank you chairperson Williams for being on it to schedule an official meeting with your committee.

OPEN FORUM

SAL Williams

Yes I just had a general question. Given how I believe how Provost Bruno sent out an email about the plans for online classes, do you know if its for sure that meetings are going to be only online for the rest of the semester?

President Albano

That's a really good question and in all honesty I don't have a for sure answer yet. I'm trying to see what the decisions are going to be made on how campuses are going to be affected. I'm going to take it as gradual as possible because I don't want to assume that that's how the entire semester's meetings will be done if circumstances change. I will do my best to ensure that everyone's safety is of the utmost priority because if a lot of courses are going online, especially classes that are smaller too, I think it would be difficult to try to have in person meetings if some senator's schedules are entirely online or if people are still working from home. I don't have a for sure answer just yet, but as the semester comes closer we will have discussions about it, and obviously I wouldn't make decisions about this without the Senate's input so we will probably talk about that later as the Fall semester draws closer.

Senator Regaspi

I have been having some discussions with our constituents about our tuition and whether or not it will be adjusted for the lack of in person classes regarding how most classes are being online, and whether or not they are obligated to pay for the whole price of tuition despite the lack of amenities that are not available while they are doing online classes. So I just wanted to raise that concern. I am not sure if that goes into here, but is there any discussion about the adjustment of tuition costs?

President Albano

Great question and of course that is definitely okay to bring that up right here. The only thing that I know because I was watching the livestream form with Provost Bruno and there was a question about if tuition would be changed or lessened because of it and he stated that they do not intend on making the tuition cheaper because, I believe he had mentioned that, the costs of everything have increased not decreased, so that's why they are unable to decrease tuition prices for students. I totally understand that it's a valid concern for students, but from what I've heard from Provost Bruno from his livestream, that's the answer that we received.

Advisor Manini

I would recommend reading and watching the video of the stream. I'm not sure if there is anything on the COVID website like FAQs or anything along those lines that address that, but my guess is, you can see the same questions being asked across the nation from students to different institutions about whether or not tuition will be adjusted. I know operationally we have different expenses, so I don't know what might be perceived as amenities, but usually nothing that we would offer from the University's position is considered amenities. The cost factors and it doesn't change based on delivery. In fact we have different expenses based on the COVID stuff, so that's probably going to be more of the answers you are going to receive. As a student leader especially because other students have similar questions, you guys should review what the administration has already responded to, so you're not asking a question that has already been answered, and if you guys have follow up questions so you guys can reference that conversation that you have already listened to. Or if a statement has been put up you can review what you have already read and if you have follow up questions you can get those answered. That is what I would recommend, so you don't look like you are not keeping up with the communications that they are doing. You want to appear that you have additional follow up questions based on what answers they have maybe not addressed, but you still want to know. I hope that is helpful for you, if not please ask me for clarification.

CLOSING

Adjournment

SAL Anuszezwska

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Treasurer Oshiro

Second.

Voting unanimously in favor.

Executive Meeting #4 was adjourned at 6:36 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Mikaelyn Marie Gogue
Secretary, 108th Senate