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General Senate Meeting #19 of the 108<sup>th</sup> Senate  
Wednesday, March 24, 2021

**OPENING**

**Call to Order**

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

**Roll Call**

Present:	[23] President Albano, Vice President Kim, Secretary Gogue, Treasurer Saari, Senators-At-Large Anuszezwska, Kaeo, Loos, Renteria, Senators Baguio, Basim, Chua, Crowell, Hokama-Paris, Keim, Loricca, Mihailuk, Okamura, Pierce, Rollon, Sabandal, Salameh, Taira, Tong
Excused Absent:	[4] Senator Columbres, Senator Rabang, Senator Regaspi, Senator Shimizu
Unexcused Absent:	[5] Senator Kanemoto, Senator Kirwan, Senator Lee, Senator Ma, Senator Takanishi
Excused Late:	[0]
Unexcused Late:	[0]
Excused Early Departure:	[0]
Unexcused Early Departure:	[0]
On Leave:	[1] Senator Garrett
Advisors:	[1] Advisor Manini
Guests:	[0]

**Reading and Approval of Minutes**

1. General Senate Meeting Minutes #18, 108th Senate - March 24th, 2020  
*SAL Anuszezwska* Move to accept the reading of minutes for GSMM #18.  
*Senator Hokama-Paris* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion carries.*

*Senator Hokama-Paris* Can I take this time to personally mahalo Secretary Gogue for the perfect execution in Hawaiian language, and her spelling of the ‘ōlelo Hawai‘i. Mahalo nui ia ‘oe, and I'm very thankful to see it, mahalo.

**APPROVED BY THE 108TH SENATE THE 7TH OF APRIL 2021**

*President Albano* Mahalo, I second that. Thank you so much for your hard work on this.

*SAL Anuszezwska* Move to approve the minutes for GSMM #18.  
*Senator Hokama-Paris* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes. GSMM#18 is approved.*

## **Official Correspondence**

### **Testimony**

## **REPORTS**

### **Executive**

#### **President**

### **Welcome to New ASUH Senate Members!**

*President Albano* First off all I want to say congratulations and welcome to the new ASUH Senate members who've been elected through the special elections. We are super excited to have you join us this evening and we are looking forward to working with all of you throughout the rest of this semester. Thank you so much for your interest and willingness to serve especially during this time it's very much commendable and just congratulations and welcome. We have increased our senate from 25 to 33 members which is almost an entirely full Senate, which is really exciting.

### **Spring 2021 Meeting Schedule**

*President Albano* I did just want to let you know that I did link the meeting schedule for the rest of this semester. You can find the rest of our meetings links on the website if you need it. Also of course every Monday, I will send out the meeting links and agendas. We only have three more general senate meetings of the semester. I can't believe we've already gotten this far in the semester, but yeah the spring schedule is available for you folks there. If you have any questions or if you're ever unable to make any of the meetings. Just let myself and Secretary Gogue know at least an hour before the meeting so that we can excuse you.

### **PM108 #26: Standing Committee Appointments (Spring)**

*SAL Anuszezwska* Move to accept PM108 #26: Standing Committee Appointments (Spring).  
*Senator Hokama-Paris* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion carries.*

*President Albano* These are your committee placements. I'd like to ask if everyone could make sure that your, your name is on here twice, so that you are serving on exactly two standing committees. And yes as SAL Renteria said, if there are any name spelling errors, please let me know, so I can make those changes. Also for a little bit of background, you'll notice the Elections Committee has changed quite significantly, and that I will be temporarily serving as the chairperson. This is because, for the general elections, if you are running in it you are unable to serve on the Elections Committee, so we had to coordinate and make sure that no one running will be serving on the committee.

*SAL Anuszezwska* Move to approve PM108 #26: Standing Committee Appointments (Spring) .  
*Senator Hokama-Paris* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes. PM108 #26: Standing Committee Appointments (Spring) is approved.*

*President Albano* To other chairs and vice chairs, just to let you know now that you may have new committee members. Please be sure to include them in your email correspondence and if you're having meetings, please include them on all of those and put them in as well so that they can be a part of the conversations and all those kinds of things. Welcome new members to your new committees. We're looking forward to having you serve on different committees and be a part of the change that we're making. It is super exciting.

PM108 #27: ASUH Receptionist/Clerk Position

*SAL Renteria* Move to accept PM108 #27: ASUH Receptionist/Clerk Position  
*Treasurer Saari* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion carries.*

*President Albano* So basically this President's message seeks to hire and to fill the second position for our ASUH office staff, for the receptionist and clerk position.

*SAL Renteria* Move to approve PM108 #27: ASUH Receptionist/Clerk Position  
*SAL Anuszezwska* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes. PM108 #27: ASUH Receptionist/Clerk Position is approved.*

**Vice President**

*Vice President Kim* First things first, I'd like to say congratulations to everyone for getting in. I will be sending out an email for a series of one on one meetings with all the senators, including the ones who are elected prior to the special elections. I'll also be sending out a Google form with anonymous questions in case anybody didn't want to ask in person, and hopefully we'll be able to host a like question and answer kind of thing with the people who've been here for a longer time in the newer people, including a few workshops on the road as well.

**Treasurer**

*Treasurer Saari* Welcome new senators. I'm going to be sending out rate sheets on Monday the 29th. Just keep an eye out on your email.

**Secretary**

*Secretary Gogue* I once again I want to reiterate, welcome to everybody. Also, as the new elections are going to come if anyone's interested in the secretary position, just feel free to email me or message me. My contact information is on that little sheet thing that you have in the drive and yeah, I can help you get a grasp of what this job is.

**Administrative**

a. Advisor

*Advisor Manini*

Welcome you know everyone, all the new senators I know I haven't had a chance to meet you, but welcome to the senate. You know it's been kind of a challenging time working at a distance but we're all pretty used to it by now. I think those of us who have been involved up to this point look forward to working with all of you who are new to this experience. Please don't hesitate to ask questions to the chairpersons of the committees you've been assigned, to Donovan, or to myself. Healani Sonoda Pale is my colleague who is the operations manager and also for ASUH she works out of the office and advises some of the committees so she's also a good resource to have and to contact if you have questions. Also I don't actually have anything at the top of my head in terms of report or important items at this time but, you know, welcome back from spring break and I hope the rest of the semester goes well for all of you.

b. Operations Manager

**Judicial Branch**

a. Student Court

**Standing Committees**

**Campus Life**

*Chairperson Hokama-Paris*

*Our Progress*

-WHEN2MEET:

-SENT OUT TUE 03/23/2021 via TEXT

-SENT OUT WED 03/24/2021 via EMAIL

-DUE: FRI 03/26/2021 at 5:00pm (HST)

-Nā Mahina o ke Kau (The months of the semester)

-‘Apelila (April):

-ANY KENEKOA, April Fools Day, Social Media-Organized Prank Videos, IG(Instagram), April 01, 2021.

-ANY KENEKOA, Earth Day -

-Mei (May):

-Luna Kākau Gogue, Cultural Appreciation Weeks- Ask variety of RIO's if they would be willing to showcase their culture via instagram-> (Need to reach out to EA)

-FINALS WEEK!!

*Our Plans*

*Miscellaneous*

-Ka Ho‘omalū ‘ana o kekahi Hanana (Leadership Roles for Events)

-Each Senator will lead and execute at least one event this semester

-Ho‘olālā i nā lā o ia mau Hanana

-(Finalize the dates of these Spring 2021 events).

-Luna Ho‘omalū Bernadette Rose Garrett on leave from Mar. 22 to Apr. 22.

**Elections**

*President Albano*

*Our Progress*

-No report

*Our Plans*

-Spring 2021 General Elections Floor Nomination Candidates List

(motion to approve, pending final verification of eligibility)

-Mandatory Candidate Orientation Meeting (all candidates for general elections must attend one session):

-Monday, March 29 at 4:30 PM HST

-Tuesday, March 30 at 4:30 PM HST

-General Elections: Monday, April 12, 8:00 AM - Monday, April 19, 4:00 PM

*Issues*

-No report

So as you'll notice I have, because of the general elections I will be chairing the Elections Committee just to help monitor the general elections and so with the help of the ASUH office staff, we have a couple things before we go into the for nominations and candidates this. Thank you everyone who submitted packets and for continuing to advertise that it was really exciting. And just, you know, Mahalo for just your willingness to continue to serve.

This will be the time where we will present the candidates list for the general elections for the people who are running, and also will have the floor nominations. This is the updated list that I had worked with the Office staff on compiling in terms of applications and folks who submitted packets by the deadline. It should be accurate, I kind of like double and triple checked all of the emails to make sure that we didn't miss anybody, but this is the list here. I'm going to drop it in. The link is in the SCR, in case you need it, but this is the candidates list. This top portion here is for the executive positions, and then below here we have the senatorial positions. So, if I'm not mistaken, there are 19 people who are running or thereabouts.

Now we will open it up for floor nominations. Basically a little bit of background for nominations are if there is a candidate who you would like to nominate whose name is not on this list, please raise your hand using the reactions tab and clicking on raise your hand and what you can do is, please say their name as well as the position you'd like to floor nominate them for. If there are folks whose names are not on this list yet, and if you submitted a packet but like after the deadline, and you would still like to be interested in running, you can floor nominate to add yourself to this list. For the folks who are not on this list I will email them the packets to ensure that they fill it out as well, so they're all part of the whole process. So we'll open it up for nominations. Would anyone like to add or floor nominate anyone in addition to the folks that are on this candidates list?

*Senator Mihailuk*

I would like to floor nominate myself, Madison Mihailuk, for Senator of Health Sciences/Social Welfare. My apologies, I accidentally sent the packet to the wrong email.

*Senator Chua*

I would like to floor nominate Sarah-Lyn Kao for the SAL position.

*President Albano* Is there a floor nomination for Sarah-Lyn's senatorial position?

*Senator Chua* Just the SAL position.

*Senator Rollon* I would like to floor nominate Gabrielle Baguio for the Senator of College of Engineering

*SAL Renteria* So Sarah Lyn Kaeo was nominated for executive. Is she on the senatorial one too?

*President Albano* No, I believe Senator Chua just said for SAL. Would you like to floor nominate her? Sarah-Lyn, what is your primary major?

*SAL Kaeo* My primary major is part of CTAHR and my secondary major is part of College of Arts and Sciences.

*SAL Renteria* Yes. I would like to floor nominate Sarah Lyn Kaeo for the Senator of College of Arts & Sciences.

*President Albano* I'll just add it here and if there are any changes that need to be made, I will talk to operations manager Sonoda Pale to make it here. I will just mention that you were floor nominated for your listed executive position.

*VP Kim* Move to approve Spring 2021 General Elections Floor Nomination Candidates List.

*Senator Hokama Paris* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes. Spring 2021 General Elections Floor Nomination Candidates List is approved.*

*President Albano* Pending Eligibility Verification so of course, with the list, folks from the office staff will ensure that the people on this list are eligible to run. If there are any changes I will know. But for the people who have been floor nominated, I will go ahead and email you the elections packet, and if you could please send it back if possible by tomorrow at the latest. I'll send it after this meeting in the case that you didn't get it but please, if you could send it to me by tomorrow. Just so that we can make sure that your name is on the official candidates list when it's posted on the website and so that your candidate profile can also be posted on the website as well. And if you have any questions please feel free to email or text me.

But going on with those who will be participating in the elections or if you're running, I did want to let you know that there will be a mandatory candidate orientation meeting. For everyone who is running in the general elections, you must attend one of these sessions. It's basically just to get orientated on what the general elections will entail and make sure you're following the rules in accordance with our constitution and rules and stuff like that. So, they will be held either next week Monday or Tuesday at 4:30pm for each of them. If you're unable to make it, please let me know, like, email me or text me. I'm going to send out the zoom information to all the candidates most likely over the weekend, Friday, if possible. But I will reach out to you, and if you're unable to make it, just let me know. It will be from 4:30 to 5:30 on next Monday or Tuesday, and you must attend at least one of them to be able to continue on in the process with the general elections. The elections themselves will be posted

starting from Monday April 12th from 8 AM and will run until Monday April 19th at 4pm HST. If you need more clarification on the dates and things like that, you can refer back to the general elections packet.

## External Affairs

Chairperson Chua

### Our Progress

-No report

### Our Plans

-AS(You)H Week will tentatively be held April 12th to 16th – coincides with General Elections week

-Collaborate with the Elections Committee to promote elections/giveaway, inform folx on what ASUH does, committees, bills, resolutions, etc.

-Proposed a new idea for a resolution stating ASUH's Solidarity Against Anti-Asian Violence (name can be subject to change, if so)

-Access link to edit: [Senate Resolution In Solidarity Against Anti-Asian Violence](#)

-Will set up meeting time; anyone is welcome to collaborate on this resolution.

### Miscellaneous

-Sexual Assault & Awareness Month event – end of April

-Growing from our legislative advocacy to extend trauma-informed protections and resources for survivors of sexual violence on campus + push momentum for next legislative session

-Destigmatize the conversation to end campus sexual violence

-If anyone is interested in participating and/or speaking on the panel, please email [annachua@hawaii.edu](mailto:annachua@hawaii.edu)

-Welcome Jonah, Jonathan & Kylie to EA

## Finance

Chairperson Anuszczyk

### Our Progress

-Meeting held on Tuesday to discuss referred Senate Bill 08-21, SCR created

### Our Plans

-Creating Award Packets

### Miscellaneous

Welcome new member, Senator Okamura!

## Internal Affairs

Chairperson Keim

### Our Progress

-Working on the legislative session, sustainability ad-hoc

### Our Plans

-Meeting next week! check when2meet email

### Issues

## Investments and Long Range Planning

Chairperson Pierce

### Our Progress

-No report

*Our Plans*  
-No report  
*Issues*

**Student Affairs**

*Chairperson Crowell*

*Our Progress*  
-No report  
*Our Plans*  
-Meeting this Friday at 5:00pm HST  
*Issues*

**Undergraduate Academic Affairs**

*Chairperson Renteria*

*Our Progress*  
-Scholarships  
-Faculty Reviewers are now in the process of scoring  
-Research Awards are being hosted tomorrow  
-Joel Nicolow @ 5-5:30 pm on March 25th  
-Justin Yip & Penny Loo @ 6:40-7:10 pm on March  
25th.  
*Our Plans*  
-Next Meeting: Geared towards last few initiatives  
-Within the next two weeks  
*Miscellaneous*  
-Welcome New Members: Tina, Tanner, Marc, and Chloe

**Other Committees**

*President Albano*

Just for really quick, other committees, I just wanted to open it up, in case any of the legislative session updates or if there are any ad hoc committees that want to give any updates at this time.

Okay, I'm hearing none, I just want to reiterate really quickly a few folks on Senator Chua's report. If you're interested in getting involved with the event that we're currently trying to plan on the campus conversation to ending sexual violence at higher education institutions, please feel free to reach out to us. We've been, you know, tracking those kinds of resolutions and bills lately, you may have seen our social media posts with calls to action so if you have ever had any suggestions for things like legislative advocacy, please feel free to let us know.

**SPECIAL ORDERS**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

President Albano

We just have a bill that's for review. So a little bit of context for the new senators. We have three different sorts of forms of, like, measures so we have a



bill, a resolution, and a revision. A bill specifically deals with money so if we're looking to allocate money and help to fund events or support different organizations on campus, etc. Anything that deals with needing to take money out of our budget, we would go through the bill process. A resolution is basically taking, like, a written stance on a certain issue, or you know making comments on different kinds of measures. A revision is like a motion to revise our Senate rules and things like that.

So, this is a bill so this deals with money. So the way that it works is we have a sort of reading process usually a measure goes to the Executive Committee, which is then referred to a standing committee, which in this case this bill was referred to the Finance Committee. Then the finance committee or whichever Standing Committee, it's been referred to take some time during an official meeting to actually review the bill, make any comments, amendments or, motions and things like that. Once it comes out of the committee, then, depending on how it works then we would have the general senate meeting. At the general senate meeting, we hear the Standing Committee report which is the presentation of the committee that reviewed it and there, you know, votes on it. If it passes then we go to review the bill itself on the floor and make any motions and things like that before finally approving the measure. So what we start off with is the presentation of the SCR, and we need to accept these items onto the floor for the Senate to review and discuss and then of course approve of them. We start with the SCR first and then we go to the bill itself, so that it can say if we're discharging it from that committee to review on to the Senate floor, if that makes sense. So we'll start with the SCR. Also if you ever have to make any motions, have any questions, or if you want to oppose any, any of the motions, you can use the raise your hand tool and the reactions bar.

SCR14-21: Relating to Senate Bill 08-21 (Finance)

*VP Kim*  
*Senator Baguio*

Move to accept SCR14-21: Relating to Senate Bill 08-21 (Finance)  
Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion carries.*

*Senator Anuszevska*

We reviewed this bill at our last meeting. We looked over it, and we didn't have any recommendations. The only amendment that was made was to change some formatting. There were some, if you look at the bill which will open up after this, it was a little split up so we just want to make sure it was easy to read. So that was the only amendment that we made.

*President Albano*

Okay, thank you. And if as you'll see here on the voting log. You'll notice that the finance committee has approved of this measure or recommends it.

*SAL Renteria*  
*SAL Anuszevska*

Move to approve SCR14-21: Relating to Senate Bill 08-21 (Finance)  
Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion carries. SCR14-21: Relating to Senate Bill 08-21 (Finance) is approved.*

**Senate Bill 08-21: To Appropriate Funding for the Spring 2021 RIO Funding Cycle**

*SAL Anuszezwska* Move to accept Senate Bill 08-21: To Appropriate Funding for the Spring 2021 RIO Funding Cycle

*Treasurer Saari* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion carries.*

*SAL Anuszezwska*

Alrighty, so before I get into the bulk of the bill I wanted to give a little background about what RIO funding entails. The Finance Committee does this every semester, and we allocate \$35,000 that was for this year's budget to RIO funding. This is for any registered independent organization that is in good standing and registered with the Student Life Development Center. So these are different clubs that can be found around campus. So we have a process that we go through to figure out who is eligible for funding and how much we're going to fund. We start out by creating an application and sending it out to students, and to RIOs that are already registered. Then after that we hold an orientation where we explain the process and what they have to do to be eligible, and after that orientation we complete interviews with each of the RIOs. Basically, they talk about who they are, what they do, etc. And then at the end, the finance committee meets to discuss our funding decisions and then we create a bill so this is what you're looking at.

Now, before I start talking about it I want to just mention. There are a couple of mistakes with the numbers. I'm not sure how we looked over that so my apologies. But I will be making motions at the end to change that so it reflects the total.

So the first RIO on the bill is BEATS. And this is an RIO that attempts to bring students closer to music and create a welcome welcoming community. So, and just for reference, the RIO is in bold, the event title is in italics, and whatever they are requesting is found below. So for example the *BEATS Team Retreat*. We decided to fund \$290 for food and food supplies. Since we cannot fund equipment purchases, we are funding equipment rental. So \$330 and you'll see it says \$1750 that is not the correct amount, it should come out to \$620 instead. So just keep that in mind.

Next up is CTAHR They represent the College of Tropical Agriculture and they recruit prospective students and encourage different students to be a part of the college, so they have three separate events. Two of those we funded last semester so they had really good turnout and wanted to apply again. *The Student Ambassador Social*, so that's \$462 for food and food supplies, \$140 for awards, and then \$330 for equipment rental which comes out to \$932. Then *Paint With Us*. That is an online event that is more of like a relaxed where they lead students through a little painting tutorial. So that's \$1350 even for art supplies. Then *Cook With Us* is kind of the same thing. It's basically like a virtual cooking show. And so this is the last one, they've had a couple I believe so there, they just requested funding for the last one and that's \$1779 even as well.

And of course if you have any questions about these events or about the trials, feel free to message me or email me anything works.

So the next one is KRS club, and that is Kinesiology and Rehabilitation Science. They requested. \$600 for tickets and \$510 for food and food supplies, which comes out to \$1100. Then at the *End of Semester Banquet*, you'll see that the formatting was changed so this will be a little different, but that's \$450 for food and food supplies \$300 for award supplies. That comes out to \$750.

Then the mortar board. That's the National Collegiate Honor Society, they provide opportunities for leadership development, and they have a lot of community service. They are partnered with different organizations like Relay for Life. I don't know if any of you have heard about that but it is super cool. They requested funding for two events. The *Spring 2021 Induction Ceremony*. You can see there's food and food supplies to \$228.19, shipping and mailing materials, I'm not going to say all the numbers because it's a little redundant but you can see shipping and mailing materials and then ceremonial items which comes out to \$590.84. Then the *Spring 2021 Finals Push* is just a little event for students, just to help get them through finals. So, with food and food supplies shipping and mailing materials and advertising it comes out to \$608 47.

Continuing on to the Student Nurses Association. They applied for one event. The *SNA Graduation Ceremony*. So there's some ceremony materials and shipping and mailing materials that come out to \$393 75.

Then the International Business Organization. Yeah, so they are requesting money for two events, the *Aloha Banquet* and then *Professional Interaction Night*. So that comes out to \$200. In total for both of the events.

Then the American Association of Women. A couple of events. The first one is the movie night series. They show a movie and they have a discussion about how that reflects women's rights and different topics like that, that comes out to \$731, and that's comprised of food and food supplies gift cards and shipping and mailing materials, Then the *Anti Racist Parenting Compliment Series*. They only asked for gift cards so that comes out to \$225, and the *Professional Development Mixer* \$50 for gift cards. And then lastly is the *Women in STEM Writing Competition*. That is \$120 supplies and gift cards.

Then the Each One Reach One Collective. This is a group, a collective of hip hop practitioners and different dancing styles. So they asked for a virtual hip hop dance culture night so they're having some people rent out a studio and then people will follow along on zoom. So, there is a mistake with this. The venue rental should say \$300, and the promotional item, the promotional and decorative items to \$51.86 will, which is why it says \$707.75 so I'm not sure why it says \$50, but I will make a motion to reflect that correctly.

Then the UH Mānoa Scholars Club. They're hosting an event called *Mug Cakes and Chill*. By the way, UH Mānoa Scholars Club is Provost achievement, Mānoa excellence and international excellence scholars. So they're composed of a couple different groups. And so that is \$293.20 for food and food supplies, this is kind of similar to the cook with us event, just a virtual thing.

Then the Hawaii Undergraduate Initiative, one event that is the *OMSS Peer Mentor Group*, and then the *Volunteer for Intercultural and Definitive Adventures*, also known as VIDA. They requested funding for a trip to

Guatemala, they are a nonprofit and they work in areas like Costa Rica and Nicaragua, to create healthier communities, and it provides students with clinical experience. So, \$10,000 for the airfare. They'll have 48 hours of direct patient contact and it's six clinic days.

Then the power lifting club. This year they are attending the 2021 USA powerlifting collegiate and junior nationals Normally these are two separate events but because of COVID they've merged into one. So they are competing there, and they've asked for two things: lodging and food and food supplies which in total comes out to \$1500. They will be competing there in Louisiana for sure there, they were just requesting help.

Then the Hawai'i Chapter of the Society for Conservation Biology, one event. This will be off campus. It's called *Restoring the Mind and Body Through Aloha*. They are requesting three different things, food and food supplies, \$956, venue rental and COVID protection like extra masks and hand sanitizer and things like that. That comes out to \$1391.

Then lastly is Speech Communication Society. The first event is *Make a Lei for Graduation*. This is for the students graduating. \$180 for supplies and then you'll see it says \$956 for food and food supplies but that is incorrect. It should be \$240, which is where the \$420 comes from. Yeah, and then *Cultural Cooking* similar event to the cook with us again, food and food supplies \$90, and then the *ISA End of Semester Banquet*. That's \$664 food and food supplies, and the total.

If everything is done correctly it should come out to \$28,496, and then a little bit about provisions. Most of this is technical stuff, and just basically says that ASUH shall be recognized as co funding the event. If it's partially funded then it should say partially funded. Just to emphasize that the funding is used for the benefit of undergraduates, because we do represent undergraduate students and that's our main body that we're working for. One major change that we've seen from the past RIO funding process is normally we require community service so like one hour for every hundred dollars or so, but because of the pandemic we don't want to endanger anyone or cause anyone to break any rules or regulations by the state or the university so we are taking out the community service requirement. We might provide the opportunities so they are not responsible unless we specifically and explicitly tell them what the opportunities are to provide community service. Then, last thing, since we, we don't want to put anyone in danger. I added a provision that says all funded events must comply with state and federal guidelines relating to the COVID 19 pandemic. That's pretty much it.

Senator Mihailuk

I have a question about the cooking club, "Cook with Us," end of semester cooking class. Is that a virtual one you said?

SAL Anuszewska

Yes it is virtual but they are having supplies for the people attending so they're making little kits, basically, and then they have them pick it up and they cook with those supplies.

- Senator Mihailuk* Um, and then for let's say the KRS club. Are they going to be selling the food supplies, or are they just going to be handing them out during the event?
- SAL Anuszezwska* For the aloha driving or the banquet?
- Senator Mihailuk* Yeah.
- SAL Anuszezwska* Yeah, so this is just for the RIO. So whoever signs up for the event there and they're not selling the food.
- Senator Mihailuk* Okay, I guess just more of a general question because I am new. If we give a club or RIO money to do an event and then they sell something maybe at the event with the money used, would they keep the profits for their club or how does that work?
- SAL Anuszezwska* Normally if they had the intentions of selling, they would most likely tell us. So, if this is approved, I don't think they have the ability to sell it because I would be going against the rules if that makes sense.
- Advisor Manini* I just want to be sure everyone understands that no organization can use any ASUH funds to profit for that organization. So, if any selling was to occur and viewer to the Senate, any member of the Senate was to get wind of that they should speak up and let us know what's going on myself, Healani, and especially Julia, so that follow up can happen. These groups will usually do reimbursement for their awarded items and so there will be time in order to address that before reimbursement is processed so I think it's a really good question. I think it's important that you all understand that the funds are to benefit students but it's not to benefit an independent organization. All the RIOs are independent organizations. The reason why funding occurs is because they are to be contributing to the creation of student life and experiences that support student life as they use the funds but it's not for an independent group or any group to financially sell things and then profit off of these funds.
- President Albano* Thank you very much Advisor Manini for that clarification, that is a very important consideration. Thank you.
- SAL Renteria* Yeah. My hand was up about the Guatemala flights. I don't think we can find those, just because I believe there hasn't been a change to the travel advisory from UH, and Guatemala is considered a level three country just due to crime. I think what they're doing is really nice but I think it could potentially endanger students
- Advisor Manini* Well, okay, so I'm only going to speak to the travel concern, I mean about UH's position about traveling. One, I don't know the security issues with this particular country, and two, the amount seems a bit steep for one particular RIO. I would want to know, and I think the Senate should want to know how many actual undergraduates will benefit and for how much for each person, each undergraduate student so you can decide whether or not you feel that it is appropriate to spend this much money for one group of people. Because I think when it comes down to it, each student pays \$5 into the fees, so sort of looking at that as compared to how much each individual student would benefit from this large amount of money would be important for you all to do.

In terms of the university's position on no traveling. It is true that UH has a freeze right now for all of us for traveling, and we can't process traveling but if the RIO did it as reimbursement, which I would definitely recommend if you guys fund this, that you put in that stipulation and look at the bottom in terms of the provisions and make sure it's all by reimbursement, because of the liability that you're raising. Usually with travel and so forth, we always are concerned about any liabilities units, even if you approve, say them using a car like it's always reimbursement and it's always like they have to front the money and so we take no legal responsibilities for you know accidents and those kinds of things. If you decide to fund this because it's reimbursement we would be able to process it even though UH has a freeze on travel because the freeze on travel is really for employees, and those of us who would have UH do direct payments to the airline or direct payments to organizations. If they're if they're paying for themselves. Then we're just doing reimbursement, that wouldn't apply to this particular situation. So if you have any questions about what I've just said then please raise your hand and ask for follow up.

*President Albano*

Thank you very much, advisor Manini.

*SAL Anuszezwska*

Yeah, I just have a quick question for Advisor Manini. Would you recommend that we take out the \$10,000 for airfare and then I can email them, and then get more information and then have a separate bill or will it be the best way to go about this?

*Advisor Manini*

Okay so ideally based on the budget act you know we like to keep it all together but there is a stipulation in the budget and if, if anybody goes back to it and especially Blake, you know, getting more and more familiar with the budget is important. In the budget act under RIO funding, there is language that allows for the Senate to introduce RIO funding type legislation outside of this RIO funding cycle, which the cycle means with this big you know this one bill, but you need a larger vote so I'm not sure if it's two thirds or three fourths it's actually in the budget act. We need to pull that document up, hopefully somebody can pull the budget act up. So if you were to take it out tonight and then bring it back as a separate piece of legislation that would be acceptable, but you're going to need more than a majority to pass it.

*SAL Anuszezwska*

Alright okay, thank you so much

*Treasurer Saari*

I just pulled up the budget, it says, any words outside of the period shall only be passed by two thirds vote by the general senate.

*SAL Anuszezwska*  
*SAL Renteria*

Motion to remove the \$10,000 for airfare for the VIDA RIO and have the total reflected  
Second

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes.*

*SAL Anuszezwska*

Motion to change the amounts of three RIOs, BEATS: total \$620; Each One Reach One: venue rental to \$300, promotional items to \$251.86; Speech Communication Society: food and food supplies: \$956 to \$240. Total reflects the changes.

Senator Rollon Second

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes.*

*SAL Anuszezwska* Just last thing in the provisions. It says COVID 19 in lowercase, I'm not sure. Maybe somebody has a better recommendation, but perhaps maybe capitalizing COVID I think that's the technical way to put it.

*President Albano* Yeah, I don't think we need to make any motion for that. I'll just make a quick comment

*Advisor Manini* Actually, two things I scroll down to the provision just so I can take a quick look but I wanted to actually speak directly to the treasurer, Blake and Julia, the chair of finance. If the senate passes this tonight as you both are aware, usually, I believe the treasurer or the finance chair works to prepare the award memos, and the award packets for each of the groups that are receiving awards. In this particular legislation, there's a lot of gift cards and there's an award, there I think I saw an awards line item. Those are not things we normally do regularly so I want you to be extra careful with those, and make sure for the groups that have those types of awards, based on the line items, in the letters you're very clear about what they need to do to process and clear what you guys are awarding them this evening. I did call Healni like right around when I got cut off from you guys earlier. I was actually on a phone call with Healani just double checking for those of you who don't know Healani, she does all of the fiscal processing for ASUH along with the office staff who are student employees. I wanted to double check with her about those and if she advised on them. She told me she believes that she'll be able to do it if she spoke with the fiscal office, but there's different types of requirements with those types of awards. I do want you to check back with Healani. Be sure the language that's in the memos are correct because we don't want students to spend the funds from their personal funds and then they cannot get reimbursed because of some technicality with UH's policies on reimbursements. Please be very careful on this one, be sure that the language is clear that it's accurate. That both Healani, and make sure that our fiscal affairs wing, say that they're going to be able to process before the award letter gets issued to any of these groups. So that's the first one. Are there any questions about that? Okay, it doesn't sound like there are.

The second thing is, I'm trying to read quickly on the provisions. Is there anything on in here that says that this will be awarded by reimbursement?

*SAL Anuszezwska* There is nothing I think in the provisions. In the orientation, I did let them know about the two methods of getting funding, and I think all these are going to be reimbursement. When I met with the RIOs they said that they're going to reimburse because most of these events are going to be in less than six weeks, I think, which is what the cutoff is for the direct payment. So, I can specify that as well. If I'm already working with Healani, we can add something about the reimbursement.

*Advisor Manini* Okay in the memo, then if, if anything, put it in the memo so it's very clear and they understand that. Okay, so that was it. Thank you.

*President Albano* Thank you advisor Manini.

*SAL Renteria* To be clear, do we have to make a motion and then have a two thirds vote to the technical language that Treasurer Saari referred to earlier,

*President Albano* I believe, Advisor Manini, correct me if I'm wrong, I believe that's to approve if we were to add additional legislation outside of this bill that we're voting for tonight. Like if we decide to, like, add additional or like make another bill or something to, like, add on to the funding that we would have to approve it by two thirds is that right.

*Advisor Manini* That would only two thirds would only apply to another bill. Because the Senate has decided to remove the 10,000 award for that one group, so if Julia, and the Finance Committee brings forward another bill related to RIO funding, then, though, that bill or any future bills would be to pass by two thirds but this bill because it's not a special order, and it went through the regular legislative process that is spelled out in your rules, then it would only need majority vote.

*SAL Renteria* Motion to change the KRS club value from \$110 to \$1110  
*Senator Rollon* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes.*

*SAL Renteria* Motion to change the total line for the AAUW to \$618 and have the total reflected  
*Senator Rollon* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes.*

*SAL Renteria* Motion to change the total amount under HUI for their events from \$3,984.75 to \$3984  
*SAL Anuszezwska* Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Motion passes.*

*SAL Anuszezwska* Motion to approve Senate Bill 08-21: To Appropriate Funding for the Spring 2021 RIO  
*Senator Baguio* Funding Cycle with amendments  
Second.

*Vote is unanimous. Senate Bill 08-21: To Appropriate Funding for the Spring 2021 RIO Funding Cycle (Finance) with amendments is approved.*

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE SENATE BILL 08-21: TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE SPRING 2021 RIO FUNDING CYCLE**

**Aye(s): [22]** Vice President Kim, Secretary Gogue, Treasurer Saari, Senator-At-Large Anuszezwska, Senator-At-Large Kao, Senator-At-Large Loos, Senator-At-Large Renteria, Senators Baguio, Basim, Chua, Crowell, Hokama-Paris, Keim, Loric, Mihailuk, Okamura, Pierce, Rollon, Sabandal, Salameh, Taira, Tong

**Naye(s): [0]**

**Abstention(s): [0]**

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*SAL Anuszezwska* I just wanted to say. huge, huge thank you to everyone who has helped me in this process and catching all the little mistakes and just helping me with little technical things. Advisor Manini thank you for your advising and your recommendations.



**CLOSING**  
**Announcements**

**Adjournment**

*SAL Anuszevska*  
*Senator Hokama-Paris*

Move to Adjourn.  
Second.  
*Motion passed unanimously.*  
Meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Mikaelyn Marie Gogue  
Secretary, 108<sup>th</sup> Senate