

Minutes for Academic Senate February 9, 2007 Meeting

Present: Jan Moore, Cynthia Foreman, Julie Powers, Tim Marmack, Mike Searcy, David Grooms, Andrew Carson, David Techan, Don Ainsworth, Larry Janik, James White, Daniel Kruse, Lois Kimmel, June Wolken Vierra, Maggie Bruck, Kyla Wayas, Debbie Winkler, Colleen Shishido, Dorothy Pyle, Margaret Christensen, Diane Meyer, Nancy Johnson, Laura Lees, Crystal Alberto, Kulamanu Vorhies, Ki'ope Raymond, Jon Lightfoot, Wini Chung, Richard Hill, Elisabeth Armstrong, Sandra Swanson, Michele Katsutani, Carlton Atay, Thomas Hussey, Kyle Takushi, Chuck Carletta, Suzette Robinson, Robyn Klein, Kate Acks, Mark Slattery, Eric Engh, Mollie Fleming, Sean Calder, Ron St. John, Kaleikoa Kaeo, Julie Clarke-McGee, Clyde Sakamoto, Donna Haytko-Paoa, Susan Nartatez, Kelley Tachibana., Bruce Butler, Marge Kelm, Ryan Daniels, Shane Payba, Kahele Dukelow, Patricia Duckworth, Lee Stein, Michael Takemoto, Lisa Deneen, Lorelle Peros, Cyrilla Pascual, and Ann Emmsley.

Meeting called to order at 1:37 p.m.

I. Introductions: Dan Kruse asked members of the senate to introduce themselves.

Chancellor Clyde Sakamoto reported the advertising for the Marketing Position Division of Community Relations using RTRF resources has been posted. Also advertising for the Academic Vice Chancellor has been posted.

V. Moloka'i Resolution

Clyde Sakamoto reported that MCC has looked to Moloka'i Ranch for funding and the Ranch is open to negotiations. If MCC can develop a community economic plan, then MCC can negotiate with the Ranch to finance construction and in exchange, get acreage donated. In recent conversations with the Ranch, Clyde asked for a letter concerning a July 18 conversation in which the Ranch stated it was open to negotiating an extension of the March 2, 2008 deadline of right to purchase agreement date. In return, if MCC is part of this donated land, MCC need to outline how it will be using this land. In the past \$4.2 million was used in construction, and perhaps similar expenses will be needed in the future.

Donna Haytko-Paoa reported she did not recall the July 18 conversation, and she would need to see the letter on extending the option to purchase. In 1998, with the original agreement, there was a schematic plan. The needs identified early on were a science lab, additional classroom, and theater. Of course, this plan can still be improved.

- 1) If we can get the land for free, excellent.
- 2) Since 1998, there has been a simple business agreement, and there still is value in following this agreement in a timely manner. The extension would only prolong the process.
- 3) Funding for the Science Building and funding for the Moloka'i Ed Center are not necessarily conflicts here. These are issues on two different islands that involve the same community college.
- 4) On Moloka'i, it behooves MCC to be as neutral as possible and that would mean to follow through and acquire the land. The Ranch is currently in the middle of a controversy, and being neutral would mean being not involved with the Ranch.
- 5) The Enterprise Company is currently working on changing the language about the swimming pool and gym on MCC land. A letter will be going to the college to apologize for the requirement that there be a swimming pool and gym if MCC does acquire the land. The letter will state that MCC can do with the land what MCC needs.

Clyde Sakamoto recognized the complexity of the current situation and asked the following:

- 1) How will training the needs of the community be met by our facilities?
- 2) How can we approach the Ranch to get them to see our needs? Justification is necessary.

Clyde Sakamoto recommended that we look at what island wide needs are now. Prepare for economic downturn with an economic development plan. This route would be the same way we secured previous MCC Moloka'i land.

Dorothy Pyle responded that the way to support higher education is to ask the Legislature to purchase land now. Otherwise, it will be too long. Talk of negotiation in a letter is not a promise and then if the extension isn't given, it will be too late. The purpose of higher education for Moloka'i should be to get funding now. MCC shouldn't put all its eggs in the basket of the Ranch as we don't know what will happen to the Ranch. If MCC buys land now, we still have options. She remarked she was disappointed that the resolution had been approved unanimously to send it to the public and it was not.

There was discussion of how the January resolution was stated. The resolution was read aloud from the meeting minutes.

Clyde Sakamoto reported MCC would be looking for assurances on the extension in that letter. He added this year's legislative session has more needs than resources. MCC has been working long and hard to make the Science Building move forward. If there is complication here, we could lose the entire Science Building. MCC needs a coherent voice. Clyde added that he spoke with UH President David McClain about Moloka'i and McClain stated there is no money to fund this now. To go beyond that would send mixed messages and go beyond that process. The University has a list of priorities supported by the Board of Regents and governor. The UH President has made it clear that those items outside the list of priorities would not be supported by the University. He asked that the members of senate support the Science Building.

Dorothy Pyle reported that in her many conversations with different legislators, she has never received the message of it being an issue of either/or (either the Science Building or Moloka'i Ed Center).

Ann Emmsley added her discomfort with negotiating with the Ranch. Strings will be attached. Because it would be cleaner to buy the land, is there a way?

Donna Haytko-Paoa reported that the College should not have been put into the language as it had been. MCC could have been used as a carrot to get the La'au Point Project completed. Although the Ranch does not intrude, we would never plan curriculum around the Ranch's needs.

Mark Slattery reported that he lived on Moloka'i from 1967-1973 and the issue with the Ranch is complicated. We can't say from here on Maui. There have also been changing owners at the Ranch.

Clyde Sakamoto asked to invite the Ranch to discussions about the future of Moloka'i. It might be possible to secure that 3 acre parcel and others in the future.

Donna Haytko-Paoa noted that community members of Moloka'i have been meeting daily for hours. We've been studied and at some point, we must take action. Making a proposal is an approach. The option to purchase is also already there.

Clyde reported that the complication is that we do not currently have the resources.

Dorothy Pyle agreed that \$500,000.00 seems like a lot of money, but let's move to the Legislature with our comments and let them decide. Moloka'i Ranch can also be invited to a discussion.

Clyde Sakamoto noted that as Donna implied, another meeting at this point probably isn't the best idea. He requested with all due respect that the Academic Senate supports what is currently happening.

Alfred Wolf stated that this would be a perfect opportunity for our leader to lead this initiative.

Clyde Sakamoto added that as a leader it wouldn't be honest to not give the senate members the current realistic course and risks involved. He also stated that in the 1980's because of mixed signals, MCC didn't get the Learning Center issues resolved for ten years. He asked the Senate to consider the options.

Donna Haytko-Paoa clarified that the presentation and subsequent discussion of the Moloka'i Resolution at January's meeting was not planned. Dorothy Pyle and Donna did not conspire prior to the meeting to present the resolution.

Dan Kruse reported that at the last Academic Executive Committee meeting, members wanted to bring the resolution back to senate to see if the senate was ready to move forward with this resolution.

VI. Emeritus Resolution

Sandra Swanson presented and moved to accept the Emeritus resolution (see attached):

This body support the award of Emeritus Status to Steve George.

Kate Acks seconded the motion.

Discussion: Dee Frederickson was never officially recognized by MCC. Let's not do this again.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Sandra Swanson noted that the resolution unanimously passed.

III. Accreditation Results

Suzette Robinson reported the following:

1. Thomas Hussey received the Masaki and Momoe Kunimoto Memorial Award last year. (The award alternates each year between faculty and student.) This year it will go to a Career/Technical Ed student. Please recommend eligible students.
2. Accreditation Results: Of the commendations and recommendations, 4 dealt with the system. These will be put up on the website. Other CC's received 6 years as well. The next report will be due October 15, 2012. Suzette thanked everyone for all their help. The senate members applauded Pat Adams in particular.
3. Program review: Currently in draft form, this will be done in stages for instruction. The recommendation is for there to be one template which will incorporate three years of data. Every five years, the annual program reviews will be compiled (not a new review) and there will be one additional component for assessment. Also, recommended by Chief Academic Officers for simplification there will be 28, rather than 44 elements.

For those who handed in Program Review Suzette will be getting through them. The cycle, timelines, procedures, and purposes will be posted on the website. Ideally, review teams will be done by the end of February.

IV. Faculty Handbook

Suzette Robinson reported Linda Johnsrud office asked for MCC's faculty handbook. The last one was from 1995. Diane Meyer will form a committee to put revise an updated handbook that will also be posted on the website.

V. Moloka'i Resolution continued

Dan Kruse presented the Moloka'i Resolution (originally presented by Donna Haytko-Paoa in January 2007).

Mark Slattery moved to immediately send the Moloka'i Resolution (originally presented by Donna Haytko-Paoa in January 2007) to the legislature, representatives of Maui County, and State Senate.

Ann Emmsley seconded the motion.

Discussion: Does the language in the charter provide a process for resolutions? Dan Kruse read aloud from the charter. Adopted resolutions are to be transmitted by the Senate Chair to the Provost to the Chancellor for the CC's. Technically, this would be from Senate Chair to Clyde, who would then send the resolution to John Morton. This process can be interpreted to say that resolutions must first be sent to the Provost, now Chancellor, before being sent to other places. If the resolution is the senate's will, it should move forward. Historically, nothing has ever stopped the senate members from voicing a resolution. As good as the charter is, we have the right to speak to whomever we want as a body.

Dan Kruse called the vote:
There were 58 ayes and 9 nays.
The motion passed.

II. Executive Committee/ ACCFSC/CCCFSC News

1. Enabling Legislation for the BOR

Dan Kruse presented the attached resolution. Background: in the last election, a measure passed to change the way BOR members are selected. Now, there is enabling legislation to go with it: constituency based with faculty input. The way that the ASCCFSC is set up, the academic senate at all campuses will report to this body.

Dorothy Pyle moved to accept the attached resolution presented by Dan Kruse.
Kate Acks seconded the motion.

The motion passed with one nay.

III. Minutes Approval

Robyn Klein moved to accept the minutes with the proposed changes.
Michele Katsutani seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

V. Moloka'i Resolution continued

The Maui Community College Academic Senate unanimously places building the Science Building as #1 CIP proposal for MCC's Campus.

Discussion: There was reluctance to place Science Building as first priority as pitted against other items. Although the Science Building is first on the Strategic Plan, what would it be replacing as number one? We don't want to give the option of giving \$500,000.00 for Moloka'i Ed Center instead of funding the Science Building.

It was agreed to reword the resolution:

The Maui Community College Academic Senate supports that the building of the Science Building be of critical need which has been established as highest priority in the Strategic Plan.

The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Standing Committee Reports

1. Election Committee

James White congratulated Michele Katsutani for her new position as Academic Senate Chair. He also reported the following Executive Committee nominations.

- a. Voc Tech: Kyle Takushi
- b. Language Arts: Laura Lees
- c. Nursing: Patricia Duckworth
- d. Math Science: Sally Irwin

Sandra Swanson moved that the nominations be closed.

Cindy Foreman seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

It was reported that the elections will be Monday through Wednesday of next week. Paper ballots will be available in the mailroom and Survey Monkey will be online.

2. Policies and Procedures Committee:

Michele Katsutani reported the committee is currently looking at changing the charter and probationary period policies.

3. Curriculum Committee:

Sandra Swanson reported two CAR matters for approval will be deferred for March 9 meeting. The submission deadline for CAR to be included in Banner for Fall is October 1 and for Spring is April 1.

Discussion: The curriculum items had been approved and needed to be voted on now to get into the catalog. However, the Curriculum Committee did not approve the items yet. The items were reported as “not ready to present” by the chair. If the catalog is an issue, one page inserts can be printed with necessary information and slipped into the catalog.

a. Hallmarks

Dorothy Pyle presented the following:

- 1) John Morton told us MCC needed to try to adhere to the same hallmarks that the multi-campus committee does. The misunderstanding here is that these are not the same. Mānoa and the multi-campus committee require that we adhere to their structure and our proposal does not fit into that structure. Next month, the committee will change the AA, then at the March Senate meeting, we will have a resolution to pass. You will have information prior to that asking for your best advice. More information will be sent out via email.
- 2) February 23 is the next Liberal Arts Faculty AA meeting. 12-1:30p.m. in KaLama 104B. A bunch of issues, as well as hallmarks, will be covered.

Dan Kruse added that if MCC goes down this path, as other CC's have done, MCC will have to create a Foundations committee.

4. Teaching Improvement

Ron St. John reported that January's TIC meeting was great with Lisa Deneen and Mary Jones presenting. The next meeting will be February 23, 11 a.m.-12p.m. in Laulima 107. Alice Luther and Derek Snyder will give tips for addressing international students, ESL students, and all students. All resources from TIC meetings are available on WebCT. If you would like to be enrolled in the TIC course, email Ron.

IX. Ad Hoc Committee reports

1. Baccalaureate

Dorothy Pyle reported that MCC needs to inform the community more about what MCC has to offer. Elaine Yamashita and Dorothy Pyle coauthored a Viewpoints in *The Maui News*. The committee discussed looking to use UH Center more directly.

2. Civic Engagement

Molli Fleming reported there will be a Community Impact Student award given at UH Mānoa on March 10. MCC can send 2 students who show outstanding service. Winners of this award will attend a Philadelphia Leadership Convention July 10-11, 2007. Email Molli if you have a name of a deserving student.

3. Resident

Shane Payba reported the committee met last Wednesday. The committee goal is to have a workshop and open house to highlight MCC's resources. The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 21 (12-1) in KaLama 102.

X. Other Business

It was reported that within the UH system the enrollment numbers are about 50,000 for credit and 30,000 for noncredit. Of students coming to UH, 90% are in need of math remediation, and 60% are in need of English remediation. Historically, every generation is better educated than the previous. Now, it is reported that 40 year olds are better educated than 25 year olds.

This summer 6-8 construction projects will be going on, including retro-fitting the air conditioning for the Science Building and light upgrades for energy efficiency, and transformer replacement.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:27 p.m.

Submitted by Laura Lees