Humanities Department Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 16th, 2007 in Palanakila 117

Present: Gloria Faltstrom, Sarah Hadmack, Snowden Hodges, Liko Hoe, Tom Holowach, Paul Field, Ron Loo, Toni Martin, Ben Moffat, Paul Nash, and Janice Nuckols.

Guest: Libby Young

Meeting Called to order at 12:40pm by Chair Gloria Faltstrom

CAAC report – Liko will do a course deletion for HPER 124 and 125 (Hula classes)

Faculty Senate report
- The department discussed the communication resolution document. It was pointed out that several of the policies the resolution calls for are already in place. Some members recommended making the resolution more pointed toward the chancellor if the real issue is lack of communication between her and faculty/staff. The department made a motion to support the better communication resolution document. The motion passed with two abstentions.
- Faculty Senate requested department input regarding the selection and term of Budget Committee and Strategic Planning Committee members as well as ways in which these two committees can best work together. Paul Field commented that the Budget Committee recently asked Faculty Senate for input and that there was a meeting in the fall semester open to all to discuss the function and set up of the Strategic Planning Committee.

Old Business
- Reminder that the alcove printer is for single copies only.
- For faculty who volunteered to assess their course(s) this academic year, please submit assessment reports to Gloria by the end of the semester.
- Faculty with new courses need to submit SLOs to Gloria/Ellen.
- Submit answers to page 10 of the Annual Report Template to Gloria.

New Business
- Ben has made a brochure for the summer camp. The camp opens June 12th at noon with drop off by the loading dock. Ben leaves July 2nd and will introduce the department to JP who will run the camp. Tom and Jack will be on hand to oversee operations. The camp is being run through OCET.

I had to go teach class at this point. Ben took notes for the rest of the meeting. Ben Moffat’s notes:
- Libby Young reported on discussions she and others had with John Morton to discuss how similar the two programs HMI and MELE are. As a result, HCC is now interested in developing a partnership with our HMI. HCC is more interested in the technical and production side: HMI could focus more on the creative side.
Libby asked whether the Humanities Dept. is interested in pursuing this partnership? Title III has money for a .5 position for Hawaiian curriculum development. This money is available now. A letter would need to go to Title III saying how the money would be used. There are General funds available in future years. Needed now is a point person who will discuss the details of the partnership. Ron Loo said he has other obligations currently. Liko Hoe may be interested but needs more information. Renee Arakaki has a Ph. D in Music and has studied with Byron Yasui. She may be available to go to initial meetings with Liko. Byron Yasui is another possible point person.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm.