Faculty Senate Minutes, Feb. 4, 2003
Chairs: F. McCoy, L. Tomchak, B. Moffat (presiding)

The Faculty Senate convened in Akoakoa 101 at 10:41.

Old Business

1. The minutes from the January 21st meeting were accepted as amended (the contents of the parentheses after the discussion of Nancy Heu’s position are to be omitted).

New Business

1. CAAC (J. Shibuya) CAAC forwarded three new classes for Faculty Senate action
   a. THEA 211 Mask Making and Performance (3 credits) taught nowhere else in the system, comparable classes taught on the mainland
   b. BIOL 275: Cell and Molecular Biology
   c. BIOL 275L: Cell and Molecular Biology Lab (1 credit)

   E. Troeger moved that the three classes be given blanket approval, and the motion Passed.

2. F. McCoy proposed that his two-year term be extended for another year, in order to assure continuity. He pointed out that some campuses have two-year off-campus appointments. At WCC as the constitution provides, Chair I is the minute-taker, Chair II who took minutes the previous year is the off-campus member, and Chair III is the presiding member. Some campuses only have two chairs. J. Shibuya reminded us that the three-chair system came out of an Alakai Three person governance system, to avoid split votes and to divide the labor

   Extending Floyd’s tenure would require an amendment to the Faculty Senate Constitution. Members were instructed to take the matter to the departments.

3. Reorganization has begun, but the official names have not fully come into use.

   Meetings of the CAOs and Chancellors are already taking place. Carol is our interim CAO. The position could be readvertised, and in any case Carol is not sure that she desires the position.
4. The Centennial Campaign for UH will constitute a huge push to build up the endowment, with proposals being requested.

5. “Excellence in Education” (Mar. 7) has been cancelled indefinitely, due to reorganization and travel budget constraints. Since the day is already a noninstructional day, it was suggested that we use the day to work on a “charrette” in which we choose what aspects of WCC are indispensable, and in which we try to envision the campus in a new way. “Charrette” is an old French word for cart, like the ones pushed by art students. We try to see what we want in our “cart.”

6. F. McCoy and L. Tomchak reported on Dobelle’s visit to WCC. He was quite impressed by his meeting with Chris Lee, a film producer who is creating the UH film school. Perhaps the film school could be located at WCC. The president also discussed the budget, and the governor’s attempts to reduce 5% of the overall budget. He plans to visit WCC once a month, and to meet with a different group each time.

7. Faculty Senate Chairs will be meeting directly with the governor.

8. The Scheduling committee will contain several new members, including Janice N., Jean S., Floyd, and Charles returning.

The meeting concluded at 1:39.