Present: Ben Moffat (Presiding), Liko Hoe, Mari Nakamura, Evelyn Sugihara, Jean Shibuya (CAAC), Dave Ringuette, Michael Tom, Floyd McCoy (Off Campus representative), Baylina Kahalepauole (Student Representative), Peggy Regentine, Winston Kong, Paul Briggs, Laurie Tomchak (recorder).

1. New Business

A. Minutes. Several changes, additions, and corrections were provided to the minutes. The motion from Humanities department will be inserted in the workload inequity discussion: "Motion: To discuss and decide how to provide equity for faculty who do not teach the traditional 15-credit/5 class course load and were left out of the last union-negotiated contract (which provided 3 credits re-assigned time for one semester of each year for faculty with standard workloads)"

Mari Nakamura questioned the use of the phrase "is not affected" by the clause in the new contract: this has been amended to: ETC has a different perspective on this.

Mike Tom pointed out that in the discussion of putting minutes online he had not mentioned KCC as a model. This attribution has been removed. After these changes were proposed, the minutes were approved as amended.

B. Report on AA Elections. L. Tomchak reported the election results. There were 34 people voting. All the measures except for 2d were approved. 2d: "Should Journ 205 remain in the Literatures grouping (Journ 205 would not fulfill the DL requirement at UH Manoa)" received 16 yes votes, 12 no and 6 left blank, so it did not pass.

C. Changing Faculty Senate Terms. It was proposed that a motion be composed and sent out on email. The proposed change is for Chair 2 to serve two years as off-campus representative, rather than one year as recorder and one as off-campus representative, as is currently the case. The other two chairs would remain the same, with one year term. It was moved and seconded to make these changes. In the following discussion, it was suggested that perhaps the off-campus chair could also be recorder and receive four hours credit. Some members feared that the administration would use this as an excuse to take away the extra hour and asked the off-campus representative to add the minute-taking function to their duties without the extra hour of compensation. WCC is the only campus with three chairs. The practice is based on Hawaiian traditions. In light of the idea of two chairs rather than one, it was moved and seconded that the motion be tabled and the proposals be taken again to the departments.

D. Equity in Work Load. Mike Tom pointed out that 80% of faculty do not receive the re-assigned time. The discussion on this matter will continue.

New business
A. Ben will work with Mike Tom to update the Faculty Senate Constitution

B. Floyd brought up the issue of review of Distance Education. This would be a subcommittee of CAAC, but current members of CAAC wouldn't sit on it. Currently, there is no oversight of Distance Ed, though it comes directly out of existing curriculum. It would require an amendment of the faculty senate constitution to create a new subcommittee. There needs to be a faculty forum and a vote.

The Department the course is under, as well as the Dean of Instruction, should review the class. Members said that other Distance Ed colleagues could offer suggestions. The issue will be tabled for the moment and taken to the departments.

C. CAAC--Jean Shibuya

A new course was added to WCC's curriculum, Plant Propagation Agriculture (3 credits)

The senate ratified the CAAC action.

The meeting adjourned at 1:25.