Hawai‘i Community College Sustainability Committee

Report for Faculty Senate Meeting on February 22, 2019

Membership in Academic Year 2017-18

- Richard Cowan (GSSS)
- Kristine Kotecki (ENG)
- Lew Nakamura (Agriculture)
- No‘el Tagab-Cruz (HLS-HUM)
- Debbie Weeks (MNS)
- Sam Giordanengo, Co-Chair (HUM)
- Drew Kapp, Co-Chair (SOC)

Meeting

- The Committee met on Feb 7, 2019
- All members were present, and the discussion was productive and pleasant

Agenda and Discussion Items

- Sustainability course designation: process and documents
  - Research into process to be conducted
  - Will be focus of April committee meeting
- Introducing resolutions for Faculty Senate consideration: process
- Compostables: ideas, facilities, working together across units
  - Resolution to be drafted and submitted
- Potential Sustainability Coordinator position: partnerships, funding, role of the committee
  - Resolution to be drafted and submitted
- HS21 sustainability-focused sessions
  - Committee members will attend
- ‘Aipono event, March 6-7: collaboration between HLS and Agriculture, student activities and focus groups
  - Committee members to enlist student participants in focus groups on sustainability
- Campus infrastructure: solar panels, LED lighting, electric vehicle plug-ins
  - Resolutions to be drafted and submitted
- Resource consumption on campus: electricity (AC), paper, ranking usage
  - Committee may conduct a study
- Campus visit by UH System Sustainability leadership March 6-8
  - Committee members to nominate faculty participants for March 8 focus group on sustainability
  - Committee to meet with UH System leadership during their visit

The Committee’s next meeting will be during the week of March 4.

Mahalo.  Sustainability Co-Chair Drew Kapp, February 18, 2019