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**Executive Council
11:10 a.m., July 5, 2023
BoR Conference Room**

MINUTES

Members:

Dr. Irene J. Taafaki

Chairperson/President

William Reiher

Executive Vice President (EVP)

Dr. Elizabeth Switaj

Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs (VPASA)

Ruthy Maun

Staff Senate President

Desmond N. Doulatram

for Faculty Senate President

Vacant

Faculty Senate Representative

Marlin H. Doulatram*

SGA President

Attendees via ZOOM

Stevenson Kotton

**Vice President for Business and Administration Affairs
(VPBAA)**

Stanley Lorennij

Vice President of the Land Grant (VPLG)

*** Not Present**

The meeting was called to order by the President, at 11:10 a.m, followed by the mission statement being recited by the Vice President of the Land Grant.

To start off the meeting, a prayer was given by the VPLG.

I. Review of the Minutes:

A. June 7, 2023 (Draft)

1. After reviewing the MINUTES of June 7, 2023, the VPASA made a motion to approve, seconded by the EVP. The motion was successfully passed by the Executive Council, with one abstention.



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a) DECISION

(1) The minutes of the meeting held, on June 7, 2023, were approved, as read.

2. Matters Arising from the Minutes

a) There were no matters arising in terms of the approved minutes of June 7, 2023.

II. Update from the President

A. Federal

1. Challenges to Accreditation In the US

a) The President shared information of the current challenges to the debate regarding accreditation with the EC members.

2. FAFSA Reform

a) The President informed the EC members of the FAFSA reform and the links pertaining to it.

3. Opportunities and Deadlines

a) The President shared the current grant submissions with notifications pending with the EC members.

B. Regional

1. PPEC

a) The outcome of the PPEC meeting was shared with the EC members by the President.

b) The President shared her meeting at the Leeward Community College, held on June 23-24, 2023, with the EC members.

(1) In addition, the President also shared her meeting with Hervey Allen, the Assistant Director for Network Startup Resources Center, and Garret Yoshimi, the VP for IT and Chief Information Officer at UH.

c) As per the President, the UH President, Dr. Lassner, did a briefing of the upcoming FestPac, scheduled to be held on June 6-16, 2023.

(1) One faculty was to be fully-funded.

(a) As per the President, a recommendation was to be submitted to the Budget Committee, proposing another attendee, that was to be funded by CMI.

d) APiA Scholars

(1) The President shared the presentation and new research grant link with the EC members.



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- e) Department of Energy: Office of Economic Impact and Diversity
 - (1) The President informed the EC members regarding the Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management, especially the project with Korea.
 - (a) A link was also shared by the President.
- f) ACCJC
 - (1) The President informed the members of the ACCJC's President, Mac Powell's presentation.
- g) Next Quarterly Meeting
 - (1) As per the President, the next PPEC meeting had been scheduled to be held in Majuro on September 4-5, 2023.

2. COM Land Grant

- a) The EC members were informed by the President of the upcoming meeting that had been scheduled for the week of August 14, 2023, to be held in Palau.

3. IOA-LSAMP

- a) The President shared Dr. Joe Genz' upcoming visit to Majuro with the EC members.

C. National

1. Joint Steering Committee RMI-UN Country Implementation Plan with the UN Multi-Country Office.

- a) The President informed the EC members that the EVP had attended the June 19th meeting, and was to continue attending these meetings on behalf of the college.

2. MCST and Low Carbon Shipping

- a) As per the President, an MCST meeting had been scheduled for August 2023.

b) GIZ

- (1) The President shared a project by GIZ in terms of a cargo ship that was still under construction.

- (a) Various links were shared by the President with the EC members regarding low carbon propulsion for small crafts.

3. IQBE

- a) The President informed the EC members of the new position appointed as Research Assistant.

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- a) The President conveyed her appreciation to the VPASA, Dr. Switaj, and her team in regards to an MOA to implement a project for CMI to develop a remedial English and Math program for RMI Public Secondary Schools.

D. Internal**1. Board of Regents**

- a) As per the President, a Special Meeting was to be held in July 2023.

(1) A date had not been confirmed.

2. Jenzabar - JAM

- a) The President informed the EC members that a full report of the JAM, held in Orlando, Florida, was due for review.

3. Recruitment Update

- a) The President provided an update regarding CMI recruitment.

4. CMI Onboarding Survey

- a) As per the President, this was still under preparation and review by the VPs.

5. CMI Ilomej/Funeral

- a) An upcoming ilomej/funeral for Romer Joseph had been scheduled for Thursday, July 6, 2023, at 4:30 p.m.

E. For more of the President's report, kindly [click here](#).

III. Matters Arising from Previous Meeting**A. [DMS edit Sexual Assault Protocol](#)**

1. After being carefully reviewed, the VPLG moved to approve the [DMS edit Sexual Assault Protocol](#). The motion was seconded by the proxy for the Faculty Senate President.

- a) DECISION

(1) With no modifications, the [DMS edit Sexual Assault Protocol](#), was approved, as presented.

IV. New Matters Arising from the Previous Meeting**A. [General Student Complaints \(CMI Policy No. 312\)](#)**

1. The Chairperson allowed time for the members to share the following agenda item with their respective senate groups.



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2. The [General Student Complaints \(CMI Policy No. 312\)](#), was to be brought back in the next EC meeting for policies/procedures, scheduled for August 2, 2023.
 - a) The VPASA confirmed to the EC members that the policy, [General Student Complaints \(CMI Policy No. 312\)](#), was to be forwarded onwards for the BoR’s review and consideration, should it be approved by the Executive Council.

B. [CMI Internship Program Manual \(Draft\)](#)

1. The Chairperson allowed the members’ their “first read” of the document and the opportunity to share with their respective senate groups.

V. **Adjournment**

The Executive Council’s *first* meeting for July 2023, was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

Submitted By:

Concurred By:

Approval Date:

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Meria N. Bollong
Secretariat Officer, EC

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President Dr. Irene J. Taafaki
Chairperson, Executive Council

7/19/2023