

College of Micronesia – FSM  
 Committee (Working Group) Minutes Reporting Form

Committee or Working Group:	Facilities and Campus Environment
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Date:	Time:	Location:
20 September 2013	13:00	National campus

Members Present:				
Titles/Reps	Name	Present	Absent	Unavailable (tech issues)
Chair	Dana Lee Ling	x		
Vice Chair	Raphael Pulmano	x		
Secretary Pohnpei faculty	Cindy Pastor		x	Excused sick leave
National maintenance	Alfred Olter		x	
Maintenance secretariat rep	Amerihter Thozes		x	
CRE representative	Jackson Phillip	x		
Chuuk faculty	Florante Ygana		x	
Chuuk maintenance	Benjamin Akkin	x		
FSM-FMI Nav instructor	Peni Nailati		x	
FSM-FSM maintenance super	Chris Igem	x		
Kosrae IT tech	Hiroki Noda		x	
Kosrae Youth extension agent	Palik Sigras		x	
National faculty	Don Buden	x		
National faculty	Reynaldo Garcia	x		
National faculty	Roldan Laguerta	x		
National Staff LRC	Bruce Robert	x		
National staff Maintenance	Eugene Edmund		x	
National faculty	Ringlen Ringlen	x		
Pohnpei Votech technician	Albert Amson		x	
Pohnpei faculty Votech	Romino Victor	x		
Pohnpei faculty Asst instructor	Salba Silbanuz		x	
Pohnpei faculty	Jean Ranahan	x		
Yap staff maintenance	Moses Faimau	x		[line lost midmeeting]
Student conduct subgroup chair	Morehna Santos		x	
Student conduct subgroup	Mike Ioanis		x	
Student conduct subgroup	Dalihla Waltu		x	
Ex officio/non-voting	Francisco Mendiola		x	
Ex officio/non-voting	Warren Ching		x	

Additional Attendees:	

1. [No August minutes available for approval.

2. Closed Circuit TV policy. A brief discussion was held. Committee members present expressed the opinion that the monitors should not be in a location that can be accessed 24 hours a day, and that the system should be used as it is now, on a post-hoc basis, with the monitors located in IT. The absence of the Director of Maintenance and the Chief of Security hindered discussion and left committee member's questions unanswered.

The absences left the implicit suggestion that either the policy was not that critical or that the committee members time was not valued. The chair called for a motion to adopt the policy. The chair called a second time for a motion to adopt the policy. After an appropriate pause, the chair asked if anyone wanted to move to not recommend the policy. A motion was so made and passed unanimously to recommend that the policy not be recommended.

The chair would note, as a matter of committee memory, that this is the second time the policy has failed to be recommended by the committee. The chair would also note that the committee's role is only to make recommendations, not decisions. The committee has voiced its recommendation on two occasions in the form of failure to recommend the policy.

In the chair's opinion, the participative governance side has weighed in on this matter. Bringing the policy back to the committee again could produce the impression that participative governance is only participative in so far as it produces specifically desired results. Returning the policy to the committee would give the appearance that a policy will be repeatedly introduced until the committee recommends it for approval.

The chair recommends that the administration proceed with making a decision on implementing the proposed policy or on developing an alternate policy.

3. Student Code of Conduct policy. The chair noted that the policy is a work in progress. The chair noted that the policy is known to not be compliant with the Clery Act, Megan's law provisions, and the modifications made in the wake of the adoption of Violence Against Women Act. The chair noted that lawyers who specialize in the Clery Act compliance and student conduct codes are being used by institutions in the United States. As an institution that receives Title IV monies from the United States Department of Education, the college must also be fully compliant. Crafting compliant code is beyond the capabilities of the committee. As the chair noted, this is not the time and place for amateur hour. The chair noted the new structure of the code where a specific sanction can be applied by an administrator. Appeals would then go to a committee. This is a change from the current "committee first" structure.

A question arose as to whether administration had flexibility in the choice of sanction, and the chair noted that the code contains the line, "Administrators retain the option of modifying and altering the sanction based on mitigating or aggravating circumstances."

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Comments/Upcoming Meeting Date & Time/Etc.: October 20, 2013 at 1PM

Handouts/Documents Referenced

College Web Site Link:
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Approval of Minutes Process & Responses:

Submitted by:		Date Submitted:	
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Action Items and follow-up.				
1. Unanimously recommended student conduct code for further development by the administration.				
2. Supported by general consensus the placement of gates in the FSM-China Friendship Sports Center hallway and the move of the weight room equipment to the stage of the practice gym.				
3. Requested information on the plans for the Pohnpei campus nahs from the Dean of Pohnpei campus.				
Action by President:				
Item #	Approved	Disapproved	Approved with conditions	Comments