

EWCPA Board Meeting Minutes – March
Sunday, March 6, 2011
EWCPA Office on 3rd Floor of Hale Manoa

Attendance: Miguel, Erenst, Kohei Anjali, Livia, Audrey, Azeema, Sanae, Nanise, Rebecka, Kahlan, Hannha, Guest (Tajana).

Meeting started: 16:11

President

The drains in the kitchens in Hale Manoa need to be cleaned because leftover foods and trashes clog up the drains. It also attracts cockroaches. To solve the problem, cloves will be placed in the kitchen so that residents can clean the drains when it is necessary. The placement of the gloves will be announced one they are made available.

The EWCPA official email account has been created by Azeema who is the listserve manager. The email account will be used for the student community to communicate more effectively.

Vice President

Hannah is working on issues in the bathroom of the 608 unit and needs assistance on this matter from both the community and from the board members since the issue is still continuing demanding more labor for the cleaning staffs which can otherwise be worked out by students in the dorm.

Update: As of March 19, the 608 unit issue was resolved through the installation of locks on the bathroom stalls.

Social Service Representative

A health service rep can be added for the next board members to conduct the task to listen to complaints from the community about safety issues including all sorts of harassment. There should be some harassment prevention guidelines installed in the dorms. There also should be installment of certain harassment prevention policies for the housing and also a conduct code for the EWCPA community. The UH has harassment prevention guideline as well as the East-West Center but there is none for the EWCPA students. A team is trying to figure out how to go about doing this.

The student appointed for the social service rep. should have specific qualifications such as degrees in social work, psychology and license in counseling. This should help the EWCPA board and community that follow the current board. There should also be an institutionalizing of a RA position in the dorms. If RA is not possible then there should at least be a student who can link to various institutions and assistant service in case of emergency or cases that require immediate care.

RAs receive training and they are not necessarily professionalized. Anybody can do a responsible RA position as long as they receive the training. We can think how to go about installing training for potential RAs. If there is also a protocol installed than we can have a stage process of what can be done at every procedure. The contact emergency can be institutions such as the HPD, Campus Security, Health Center, and Gender Equity Center on campus. There should be the installment of the Code of Conduct during the new student orientation regarding harassment.

There are suggestions to install more secure locks in the showers and some people have suggested putting individual locks that are similar to the anti-room locks. The toilets should also have more secure locks for privacy and safety.

Secretary

The Impulse Journal team will request an amount of \$120 to hold the Impulse Café in April where the community, not only those who submitted their work to the Journal, but those who have talents of all sources can share their talents.

Update: As of March 19, the budget for the Impulse Café is pending because of the budget cut.

Treasurer

Update: As of March 19, the budget needs to be reorganized for the EWCPA to carry out the agenda for the events because of the budget cut.

Activities Co-Coordinator

1. EWCPA Sports Day – Chamil

Update: As of March 19, the Sports Day which was scheduled on March 26 will be canceled. Because of the budget cut, the \$600 that was allocated for the Sports Day will be used for the East-West Fest (see update below).

2. East-West Fest update – Erenst

Update: The East-West Fest will be minimized and will not take the usual form due to the budget cut of the East-West Center. We will have it at the friendship circle in front of Hale Manoa. We will move the \$600 for the Sports Day to the East-West Fest. We will have booths and performances.

East-West Center Alumni

There needs to be ten people to perform and ten to help out for the monthly East-West Center Alumni dinner. The ten people need to be found in the next 2 weeks. The performers have to be students, and this is for raising money for the students at the EWCPA so the fund will come back to the community. The dinner will be held on April 3rd at the Pacific Club.

Meeting adjourned: 17:36