

Academic Senate President's Report
October 28, 2016

The All Campus Council of Faculty Senate Chairs (ACCFSC) and the Community College Council of Faculty Senate Chairs (CCCFSC) met on October 21, 2016. In both meetings the main topic of discussion was the new Course Evaluation System (CES) that will be replacing eCafe next fall. There were many questions asked of the System representative in particular about the “advising” committee that set this all in motion.

- **Question:** Who called the advising committee to start? **Answer:** Linda Johnson
- **Question:** When was the committee started? **Answer:** 4 years ago
- **Question:** Who was on the committee **Answer:** ½ Administrators, ½ Faculty (one representative from UH Mānoa, UH Hilo, UH West O‘ahu, and 2 representatives from the UHCC), and 2 students (1 Graduate Student from UH Mānoa and 1 undergrad from Leeward CC).
- **Question:** How were the faculty selected to be on the committee? **Answer:** unknown by the system representative.

This went on for a while. There were many questions on why the eCafe was being changed at all since the Administration has said it is essentially the same, but it is how the information will be used for Accreditation that will be different. I was able to read into the record some of what our Faculty Policy Committee is reporting today regarding how student comments do not reflect student learning or understanding. I have attached the *draft* minutes from the October 21, 2016 meeting for more information (Att. 3) and for your information Faculty Senate Resolutions from UH Mānoa and UH West O‘ahu addressing the new evaluation system (Att. 9 & 10).

All campus Faculty Senates are encouraged to think about their official stance on the new course evaluation system; our FPC is already doing this and will present what they have on the subject today.

At the Community College Council of Faculty Senate Chairs (CCCFSC) meeting the members addressed the CES concerns with VPCC Dr. John Morton who was very open to what we had to say and will take our concerns to the other VPs and will let us know more later.

We also talked about a new UHCC Policy (UHCCP #4.203) that will institute set standards for the UHCC. These standards come from the US Department of Education and from the UHCC Strategic Plan. See Att. 11 for a draft of this proposed policy.