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Subject: Board of Student Publications (BOSP) Year End Report

## **SUMMARY**

During the 2016 academic year, the BOSP successfully upheld its mission to 1) Provide media for instruction and training, 2) Showcase student talents, 3) Provide media for sharing information, ideas, and opinions, and 4) Support cross-curricular emphases. Although the Board experienced turnover in the fall semester as the Supervisor position was transitioned from Dennis Kawaharada to Dawn Zoni to myself, stability was established in March as the Board began to hold regularly scheduled meetings.

The highlight of the fall semester was the Supernatural/Spooky Story Contest which coincided with Halloween. The contest was open to all students and the three winners were published in the 2016 Lē'ahi, Creative Arts Journal and received a \$100 UH bookstore gift card. To help students craft their stories, BOSP sponsored a series of workshops in the Lama Library Study Hub:

A. Image, Action, Getting Started Tue, 10/13/15 from 145-300 pm at the Lama Library Study Hub

B. Conflict, Plot, Story Progression Thu, 10/15 from 915-1030 am at the Lama Library Study Hub

C. Polish for Fame and Fortune Tue, 10/20 from 145-300 pm at the Lama Library Study Hub During the spring semester the Board was able to highlight and celebrate student talents with the publication of three journals. The Lē'ahi, Creative Arts Journal (18 art and 20 writing contributions); Ka Hue Anahā, Journal of Academic & Research Writing (20 writing contributions); and Pueo O Kū, STEM Journal (20 writing contributions).

To celebrate and honor the student artists and writers who were published, BOSP hosted the 2016 Publications Awards Banquet attended by 69 students, administrators, faculty, staff and guests. During the awards ceremony students shared the inspiration behind their pieces and were honored with a \$50 gift card to the UH Bookstore.

Another highlight of the spring semester was the 2016 Spring Art Show. BOSP provided \$50 apple gift card awards to 20 artists whose artwork was identified as outstanding based on an evaluation conducted by a panel of peer and faculty judges.

Throughout the year, the Board also provided support for the Kapi'o Voices & Views website publishing print submissions and photographs from Michael Tsai's JOUR 250 course and submissions from the KCC student body at large.

During the spring semester, three requests for financial support were received and the two were funded. The Commencement Committee was granted \$2383.25 to be used towards the printing of Commencement programs and the First Year Experience Office was granted up to \$4500 to be used towards the printing of 2017 Academic Planners. The Board rejected one funding request of \$2000 to support food and beverages for Shakespeare's First Folio event out of concern that the expenditure did not sufficiently meet the charge of the Charter.

Leadership training and professional development for the Board's two student leaders was provided by sending them to the annual Ho'opili Hou statewide student leadership conference for students, faculty and staff of Hawaii's colleges and universities sponsored by the Hawaii Association of Student Life Advisors.

As the semester closed, the library hosted a Student Publication display offering a retrospective look at KCC's student publications published by the Board of Student Publications. The display featured over 30 publications from the past.

As we approach the end of the semester, board members are busy recruiting more students to serve on the board and reevaluating whether current faculty will continue to serve as advisors for the Lē'ahi and Ka Hue Anahā journals and Kapi'o Voices & Views.

On behalf of the Board and Advisors, thank you for giving all of us the opportunity to serve KCC and champion student publications.