

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

<b>Committee or Working Group:</b>	Town Hall Meeting
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<b>Date:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Location:</b>
January 9, 2012	1:00pm-2:30 pm	Kosrae Campus

**Members Present/Absent:**

<b>Titles/Reps</b>	<b>Name</b>
Upward Bound	Edna E. Martinez
Faculty	Rosalinda DM. Bueno
Faculty	Skipper S. Ittu
Faculty	Latika Raisinghani
Faculty	Robert Jonas
Campus Director	Kalwin Kephass
Faculty	Nestor E. Acosta
Staff	Paliknoa Sigrah
Board Chair	Kasio Mida
Board Vice Chair	Lyndon Cornelius
Board Secretary	Mary Figir
Interim President	Ringlen Ringlen
VPIA	Mariana Ben Dereass
VPAS	Joe Habuchmai
FMI Camus Director	Matthias Ewarmai
Comptroller	Danny Dumantay
ALO	Frankie Harriss
DCR Director	Joe Saimon
SBA President	Artson Talley

<b>Additional Attendees:</b>	Norma Edwin, Executive Assistant to the President
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**Agenda/Major Topics of Discussion:**

1. Introductions by Kosrae Campus Director and DCR Director
2. Presentation on the current affairs of the college by Interim President
3. Questions and Answers between meeting participants and COM-FSM Board of Regents
4. Administration of surveys by DCR Director

**Discussion of Agenda/Information Sharing:**

- Interim President Current Affairs Report:
- There is a new ALO, Frankie Harriss
  - The College has many plans but have to link them together
  - Floyd Takeuchi was hired as an accreditation consultant and submitted an accreditation roadmap to the College
  - The College need to plan accordingly in response to the JEMCO 700K funding reduction
  - Program prioritization will be completed by February to provide guidance for campus structure and program planning
  - The new president will arrive on February 4<sup>th</sup>, will meet the board on February 5<sup>th</sup>, investiture ceremony on February 6<sup>th</sup>
  - The accreditation report is due in March followed by a visit in April and reviewed in June
  - FSM President placed on the agenda of the SNLC meeting the question “the future of

**COM-FSM”**

- The strategies the FSM is using to utilize the 700K reallocation
- Campus directors as stakeholder managers will meet with each state leaders to determine state needs

**Questions and Answers:**

Q - Robert Jonas asked if Ringlen will return to his position as VPSS

A – Ringlen answered yes, and talked about his recommendation to merge the VPIA and VPSS positions with a realized saving of \$50K - \$100K

Q – Skipper Ittu asked about sample of college program that is not supporting itself

A – VPIA answered that the Media Studies Program was a sample of a closed program that can't support itself.

Q – Palik Sigrah asked about Ringlen's comment about communication that need to be improved by as recommended by WASC.

A – Ringlen answered that the reduction of the number of standing committees from 19 to 9 is one way the college responded to this recommendation.

Q – Dokowe George asked if we are to keep FSM-FMI

A – Ringlen answered that FSM-FMI is totally funded by the FSM National Government

Q – Robert Jonas requested support for the ACE program. They have no resources and tutors. Just instructors

Q – Artson Talley asked if we are focusing on JEMCO resolutions or WASC recommendation

A – The college is responding to both at once

Q – Latika noted that the need program, courses and distance education consultation.

A – VPIA will be working with them

Q – Dr. Verma asked for the job audit recommendations in regards to the researcher job description

A – The College is still reviewing the recommendations while it awaits directions for the future of the college from the FSM leadership

**Comments/Upcoming Meeting Date & Time/Etc.:**

To be announced by the Board

**Handouts/Documents Referenced:**

**Prepared by:**

Joseph Saimon

**Date Distributed:**

01/20/2012

**Approval of Minutes Process & Responses:**

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<b>Submitted by:</b>		<b>Date Submitted:</b>	
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<b>Summary Decisions/Recommendations/Action Steps/Motions with Timeline &amp; Responsibilities:</b>
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<b>Action by President:</b>	<b>Item numbers:</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Comments/Conditions:</b>
<b>Approved:</b>			
<b>Approved with conditions:</b>			
<b>Disapproved:</b>			