

Minutes of Policy and Economic Development Committee
July 28, 2022

In attendance were Virginia Hosono, Martin Brown, Victoria King, Rajvi Parikh, Patti Williams, Kenneth Allen, Kathleen Elsherif, Kevin Ledford (ex officio).

Virginia Hosono called the meeting to order as acting Chair.

The Committee elected officers following a request for nominations:

Virginia Hosono, Chair

Martin Brown, Vice Chair (through October, 2022)

Rajvi Parikh, Vice Chair (November through June, 2022)

Dr. Hosono updated the Committee on current projects:

- Meeting with HR regarding Staff Grievance Committee concerning alternate resolution of dispute when the SGC disagrees with the final governing authority.
- The RFP for the University's Employee Assistance Program provider received bids. Meeting to review bids to occur on 07-28-2022 with interviews to follow. PED survey results informed the RFP process.
- COVID-19 response from the Provost's Office is expected the first week of August, 2022
- In response to a request to revisit spousal tuition remission, the Provost says that isn't on the table. The consensus is that salary, not benefits, is the main driver for recruitment of young employees.
- Flexibility to approve/not approve remote work requests is being returned to units.

The Committee set its regularly scheduled meeting time as the third Tuesday of each month at 3pm.