Dr. Fitzsimons provided an update of the budget and the legislative session, which has been very difficult this year. More budget reductions can be anticipated. She commended the work of Gerald DeMello and Chancellor Tseng on their legislative efforts.

Dr. Hong and Dr. Fitzsimons presented an overview of tuition income and resident and non-resident students. They shared a handout for FY2009 of an analysis of resident versus non-resident tuition revenue, showing dollar amounts and headcount percentages for resident versus non-resident contributions of tuition to cover Financial Aid and to cover UHH funded awards. The primary comment on the report: “In FY 2009 – 2010, UH Hilo received $29,307,138 in general funds from the State. For each additional 1% reduction in general funds, UH Hilo would need to enroll 62 full paying non-resident students to maintain the current level of funding with everything else staying current.”

Dr. Fitzsimons welcomed Dan Brown, who will be a LRBPC member. Dan Brown provided an overview of research initiatives, including handouts in regard to grants for research and extramural funding and initiatives. Dr. Fitzsimons will have all Dr. Brown’s documents posted to the LRBPC, Budget Office, and VC Admin Affairs web pages.

The meeting adjourned at noon.