

STATE OF HAWAI'I

OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS 560 N. NIMITZ HIGHWAY, SUITE 200 (VIRTUAL MEETING - VIA ZOOM WEBINAR)

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Minutes of the O'AHU ISLAND COMMUNITY MEETING MINUTES August 8, 2022 5:30pm

ATTENDANCE:

Chairperson Carmen Hulu Lindsey

Trustee Dan Ahuna

Trustee Kaleihikina Akaka

Trustee Keli'i Akina Trustee Luana Alapa

Trustee Brendon Kalei'āina Lee

Trustee Mililani Trask

ADMIN<u>ISTRATION:</u>

Sylvia Hussey, CEO Casey Brown, COO Ramona Hink, CFO

Everett Ohta, Interim General Counsel

Capsun Poe, Director of Community Engagement

Lei-Ming Ayat-Verdadero, BSA Mngr.

Alice Silbanuz, Director of Communications

Joshua Koh, MM Designer
Jason Lee, MM Designer
Kaimo Muhlestein, BSA
Daniel Santos-IT Support
Kevin Chak-IT Support
Arlene Aguinaldo-IT Support

BOT STAFF:

Amber Kalua, Trustee Aide Kanani Iaea, Trustee Aide Lehua Itokazu, Board Secretary Crayn Akina, Trustee Aide Kauikeaolani Wailehua, Trustee Aide Brandon Mitsuda, Trustee Aide Mark Watanabe, Trustee Aide Dayna Pa, Trustee Aide Pohai Ryan, Trustee Aide Evalani Canto, Trustee Aide Nathan Takeuchi, Trustee Aide

Anuhea Diamond, Trustee Aide

GUEST:

Nalani Jenkins and Ohana Halealoha Ayau Heather Giugni Sanoe Marfil Kuuleilani Sampson Tyler Gomes Germaine Meyers Pat Teruya

Douglas Harrison Andre Perez

Call to Order

Chair Hulu Lindsey Calls the Board of Trustees Meeting to order for Thursday, August 4, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. Board Secretary, please do a roll call.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Aloha kākou and welcome to being here with us this evening. Tonights meeting can be viewed by livestream on OHA's website, www.oha.org/livestream. We are also hosting this meeting on Zoom. For those of you on Zoom we ask that you keep your camers on and your mics muted when not speaking.

Before we begin, I would like to ask each Trustee to introduce themselves and their staff at this time.

Introductions

Trustee Lee Aloha mai kākou, I am Trustee Brendon Kalei'āina Lee, Trustee for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. It is my pleaseure to be here this evening, I look forward to all the presentations. Joining me this evening is my Trustee Aide, LeiAnn Durant.

Trustee Alapa Aloha everyone, my name is Luana Alapa and I am the Trustee for Moloka'i and Lana'i. This is an amazing time, this is the first time in several years since we've been able to come out into the community and meet with all of you in person and hear all of you and your concerns. My Trustee Aide here with me, island girl from Moloka'i, Pohai Ryan. Mahalo

Trustee Akina Aloha kākou everyone, so good to see all of you here tonight. I am Trustee-at-large, Trustee Keli'i Akina but O'ahu is the island in which I grew up. Waianae is my old stomping grounds, it's so good to be back in West O'ahu today. I look forward to hearing all of your mana'o, please take the time to share all of your concerns and tell us what we need to hear. Thank you for coming out this evening. I'd like to acknowledge my two Trustee Aides that are here tonight, Reuben Sierra and Evalani Canto.

Trustee Ahu Isa Aloha mai everyone, sorry I can not be with you, I am not feeling well. I am very familiar with the Nanakuli and Waianae area. I am Trustee-at-large and my Trustee Aide is there, Nathan Takeuchi. Thank you for tuning in, aloha.

Trustee Akaka Aloha Pumehana kākou, I am Kalei Akaka and I am honored to serve as your OHA Oʻahu Trustee as well as the OHA Chair of the Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment. Mahalo nui for our Chair, administration, and to all of you here attending. I am so thankful to have these community board meetings in our different communitities here because it is so important for us hear out the needs and concerns of our community. Mahalo nui for attending and we look forward to hear how we can further collaboarate together. Joining me today is my team, Brandon Mitsuda and Mark Watanabe. I also have my 'ohana, my husband Tyler and our baby Aeiwaiwa. Mahalo nui for all who are attending, we are looking forward to hearing the presentations, Mahalo nui.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Aloha again, my name is Carmen Hulu Lindsey and I am the Maui Trustee and serve as Chair of the Baord. My staff here is Lehua Itokazu-Board Secretary, Kanani Iaea and Amber Kalua-my Aides. We also have our CEO, Sylvia Hussey. Sylvia will you introduce yourself and your staff.

Sylvia Hussey, CEO Aloha mai kākou, I am the Chief executive Officer for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. Tonight we have joining us Capsun Poe-Community Engagement Director, Alice Silbanuz-Communications Director, Digital Media-Jason Lee and Josh Koh, Beneficiary Services Team-Kaimo Muhlestein and Lei-Ming

Verdadero, IT Support-Kevin Chak, Arlene Aguinaldo, Dan Santos, COO-Casey Brown, CFO-Ramona Hink, and Interim General Counsel-Everett Ohta.

Chair Hulu Lindsey I will ask our Board Secretary to do a Roll call of the Trustees.

MEMBERS			Present	TIME ARRIVED
TRUSTEE	LEINA'ALA	AHU ISA	X	Participating by Zoom
TRUSTEE	DAN	AHUNA		excused
TRUSTEE	KALEI	AKAKA	X	
TRUSTEE	KELI'I	AKINA	X	
TRUSTEE	LUANA	ALAPA	X	
TRUSTEE	BRENDON KALEI'ĀINA	LEE	X	
TRUSTEE	MILILANI	TRASK		excused
TRUSTEE	JOHN	WAIHE'E		excused
CHAIRPERSON	CARMEN HULU	LINDSEY	X	
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At the Call to Order, six (6) Trustees are PRESENT, thereby constituting a quorum.

Chair Hulu Lindsey The new sunshine law under Act 264 is that the OHA BOT and Committees may no longer take oral testimony only at the beginning of a board's agenda or meeting. This means I will call on testifiers for each item on the agenda.

In order to allow time for all of our beneficiaries to testify you will be given five (5) minutes to share your mana o. Your name will be called, and your microphone will be unmuted when it is your turn to testify. If you are not audible, you will be muted, and the next testifier will be called.

At this time I would like to turn the time over to your O'ahu Trustee to oversee the rest of tonight's meeting.

Trustee Akaka mahalo nui, we will move on to the status of OHA activities.

Status of OHA Activities

Sylvia Hussey, CEO Mahalo, for the status of the OHA activities I have two major points:

- 1. We are actively engaged in filling open and vacant positions. If our community will visit our website you will see a number of positions listed and available here in O'ahu and on our neighbor islands.
- 2. The organization is preparing for the 2023 State legislature as well as the 118th congressional congress that starts in January 2023. For the next few months that is what the organization is focused on.

New Business

1. Action Item BOT #22-11: Approval of an OHA Board of Trustees' Honorary Resolution Honoring the Contributions of Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins to the Native Hawaiian Community and the State of Hawaiia*

Sylvia Hussey, CEO reads the following resolution.

A RESOLUTION OF THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF BETTY KAWOHIOKALANI ELLIS JENKINS TO THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN COMMUNITY AND THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

WHEREAS, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins was born on February 11, 1928, to Richmond Kaliko Ellis and Elizabeth Nalani Mersberg Spencer McMillan Ellis on Hawai'i Island, a first born of a first born of a first born; and,

WHEREAS, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins graduated from Kamehameha Schools in 1945, then went on to become the first student of color to attend Muskingum College, now known as Muskingum University, in Ohio; and,

WHEREAS, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins enjoyed a successful career as an elementary school teacher in Ohio, California, Micronesia, Guam and Hawai'i, earning and embracing her sobriquet "Aunty Betty;" and,

WHEREAS, while with the Hawai'i State Department of Education, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins directed the Hālau o Hale'iwa Hawaiian Studies Program at Hale'iwa Elementary for eight years, and implemented a new teaching program called "3-on-2" in which two classrooms were combined and taught by three teachers; and,

WHEREAS, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins championed a code of ethics she developed known as "The 4Bs – Believe, Behave, Belong and Become" into which were integrated elements of 'ōlelo Hawai'i, tradition, history, cultural values, education, and mentorship; and,

WHEREAS, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins went on to serve as the alaka'i for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs' (OHA) Kūpuna Team, representing OHA at educational and cultural functions and developing the Ho'olauna Series in coordination with the Department of Veteran Affairs and the Department of Defense, which focused on providing services to veterans and military personal; and.

WHEREAS, requests for Aunty Betty's OHA workshops were in demand locally and nationally from state and federal agencies, Hawaiian civic clubs and various Hawaiian groups and organizations; and,

WHEREAS, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins generously served Papa Ola Lōkahi as an advisor to many of its programs including the Pacific Diabetes Education Program, the 'Imi Hale – Native Hawaiian Cancer Network, the Native Hawaiian Health Care Systems' Institutional Review Board, the Native Hawaiian Veterans Project and Papa Ola Lōkahi's traditional healing program, delivering presentations on Hawaiian values, culture and beliefs for practitioners and providers and later as an esteemed hulu kupuna who continued to provide inspiration, encouragement and guidance; and,

WHEREAS, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins engaged in cultural exchanges and maintained meaningful relationships with elders from other Indigenous communities, including active panel participation for 10 years in the Wisdom of the Elders session of the American Indian Alaska Native Native Hawaiian Caucus of the American Public Health Association at their annual convention; and,

WHEREAS, for her lifelong commitment to education and to 'ike kupuna, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins was bestowed an Honorary Doctorate for Indigenous Elders in 2016 by the World Indigenous Nations University; and,

WHEREAS, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins engaged with many international, national and local organizations to promote Hawaiian cultural values, beliefs and practices including the Life Foundation, Haudenosaunee Nation, Hawaiian Civic Clubs and her favorite North Shore O'ahu community groups; and,

WHEREAS, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins was one of the pillars of the North Shore O'ahu community and active in protecting Waimea Valley from further development in the early 2000s; in 2001 she was appointed by the City and County of Honolulu as the Cultural, Historical and Educational Chairperson for the Waimea Falls Park Master Plan, providing the foundation for Waimea Valley as a major cultural and educational site; and

WHEREAS, throughout her life, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins remained true and faithful to herself as a Native Hawaiian mana wahine, kupuna and member of the Waimea Valley Ahu Advisory Group from the examples she set of her commitment to community, protection of culturally significant places, and sharing of her 'ike and mana'o in order to bring about important changes to uplift and support Waimea Valley; and

WHEREAS, for her lifelong contributions to the Native Hawaiian community and the state of Hawai'i, Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins received numerous awards and accolades including the Papa Ola Lōkahi Ka'ōnohi Award, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Kūpuna Alaka'i Award, the Native Hawaiian Education Council Award, the Honpa Hongwanji Living Treasures Award, the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs Kukui Lama Kū Award, the Kamehameha Schools 100th Anniversary Alumni Recognition Award, the North Shore Chamber of Commerce 2011 Kama'āina of the Year Award, the A Hui of Hawaiian Royal Societies Ali'i Kalani Award, and recognition awards from both the House and Senate of the Hawai'i State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs mourns the loss of Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins, an extraordinary hulu kupuna, educator, cultural practitioner, mentor, role model and advocate; and,

WHEREAS, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs embraces Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins' moral code and legacy of excellence, devotion, ambience and style and her aloha for all and respect for 'ike kupuna; and,

WHEREAS, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs will strive for the wellbeing of Kanaka Maoli in loving memory of Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the undersigned duly recognized as the board chair and trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, on the 4th day of August 2022, do set forth their hand to recognize, honor and memorialize the life of Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins; and

ADOPTED, this 4th day of August 2022, island of O'ahu, State of Hawai'i, by the Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs in its regular meeting assembled.

Chair Hulu Lindsey I move to approve the honorary resolution honoring the contributions of Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins to the Native Hawaiian Community and the State of Hawai'i.

Trustee Akina Seconds the motion.

Trustee Hulu Lindsey Moves

Approve the honorary resolution honoring the contributions of Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins to the Native Hawaiian Community and the State of Hawaii.

Trustee Akina Seconds the motion.

		1	2	'AE (YES)	'A'OLE (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEI	AHU ISA			X			
TRUSTEE DAN	AHUNA						X
TRUSTEE KALEI	AKAKA			X			
TRUSTEE KELI'I	AKINA		X	X			
TRUSTEE LUANA	ALAPA			X			
TRUSTEE BRENDON	LEE			X			
TRUSTEE MILILANI	TRASK						X
TRUSTEE JOHN	WAIHE'E						X
CHAIRPERSON HULU	LINDSEY	X		X			
TOTAL VOTE	COUNT			6			3

MOTION: [] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [] FAILED

Motion passes with six (6) Yes votes, Zero (0) No votes and One () Excused.

Nalani Jenkins Thank you so much to the Trustees and OHA for honoring my Mom. I had the privledge of not just being her daughter, but also being her caregiver for her last 11 years when my father passed and with me today and i'm going to ask them if they'd like to speak is Chicky Vincent who is representing her team of Cargivers, Mom was 94 when she passed, she had a good long life. I also want to introduce my wife Tracy who was my support team. Also, to acknowledge my two brother, Kaipo Jenkins from the island of Maui and Kimo Jenkins who could not be here today. A quick storty I will share is, when mom was a teacher and, of course, she was ever an educator I got books every year for Christmas and birthdays. I always long for toys, but if it was a gift from mommy was always books and we as kids would say why is everything a lesson mom, but it was and that's the life of an educator. When she was a teacher in the Department of Education at Haleiwa elementary school, they only had if you could think back to the 70s and 80s, you only had Hawaiian studies during the fourth grade. It was Mama that advocated that students should have Hawaiian studies through out K-6th. She piloted that program, Halau Haleiwa and that became adopted State wide. I know there are many awards that are mentioned, thank you for reading that on behalf of the family. She really loved her Hawaiian students and all the children she taught. I am going to ask Chicky to say a few words.

Chicky Vincent She came into my life seventeen years ago. I was a cultural counselor for a drug treatment plan in Waianae. I just leaned on her for values and to have a kupuna to guide me because I don't have any of my own. My tutu was Hawaiian but by the time within my family, her generation everything was lost. I grew up in a world predominately asian. It was my one grand-mother who brought the Hawaiian culture into my life but she was very haole. When aunty came along she taught me the Hoolauna, the bowl of light, and many lessons

that are apart of everyday life. I have been blessed to be touched by her. In the end, the last two years of her life, I pretty much moved into part-time. In the end, when Aunty needed help, I moved in. I slept outside of her room on the couch everynight. I was able to be with her and it was an honor. Mahalo Aunty, she will be forever my hulu kupuna.

Tracy Lawson I have also had the privledge od caring for Aunty Betty and being able to call her my Mother-in-law. One thing she taught me was unconditional acceptance and love and really how to be apart of a community. I know it is our goal to continue her work and to walk in her footsteps and to honor her memory.

Recess is taken Returns from recess at 5:04 pm

Community Presenters

'Ulu'ulu Archive

Heather Giugni Aloha and thank you for this opportunity to speak with you and to tell you all about 'Ulu'ulu, moving image archive. We will share a video. *Video is shared*.

You had a chance to visit the media building. That is where creation starts and that is a great place where people become media makers, become story tellers and take all their ideas, experiences, and history and turn them into stories. We are at the other end of it. When you think of creating, you also have to think of the legacy of what you've created and where that legacy is going to end up. We've never had a moving image archive here in Hawai'i to preserve and care for our moving image history, so all of these filmmakers like Na Maka o ka 'Aina, Joan Lander and Puhipau, Victoria Keith and all of these people from the 70's that tracked our Hawaiian movement and moving through the decades did not know what to do with this because there was not a facility that could take care of these kinds of things. That is when people came together, including myself and helped pull together this concept and make it a reality. It took members of community, decades of people and generations of people to do this and it took organizations like you to support us to make this a reality. This is a kauhale of partnerships. It can be accessed anywhere in the world





Jonelle Quirante Hello, I am Jonelle Quirante and I am the head archivist of 'Ulu'ulu. I am very proud to work with heather, side by side over the last twelve years helping to preserve Hawai'is moving image heritage. You can see our mission is to pertetuate and share the rich moving heritage of Hawai'i through the preservation of filma nd videotape related to history and Native Hawaiians and the people of Hawai'i.

We have been so honored to be partners with the Offfice of Hawaiian Affairs. What is a moving image archive? The difference is that we work with films and videotape doing the same activities as traditional archive, interms of collection, management, preservation cataloging and access. Just some statistics about what we take care of in our archive, we have over 70 permanent collections 50,000 videotapes and films our collections, are still growing, over 6,000 of those reels are digitized which is close to 3000 hours of digital footage. 260 terabytes it can get very technical but, our collection is growing and we're continuing to do good work. A few of the collections, that we have we work with filmmakers we work with organizations, we work with TV stations, families who have donated their home movies, but the main common thread is that all of the footage relates to the history and culture of Hawai'i. Some of the challenges we have with preservation is dealing with obsolete technical formats, dealing with rust, mold, and dirt. We're digitizing at very high resolution files, which means we need a lot of storage capacity to maintain those files and just being in Hawai'i high temperatures and high humidity causes a lot of physical damage to our collection.



We do make our footage available to the public through our screenings and our website, lectures and exhibits. We have been very honored to be apart of the Papakilo database. You can visit our website at uluulu.hawaii.edu to search our collections and to view some of our collections.

Heather Giugni I just want to say the archive has been very educational resource. It has been used by film makers to make documentaries, classrooms, and businesses for example Hawaiian Electric, the way they did their poles, it is multi-level. It is a wealth of information and who we are in the community. I am so grateful for your support.

Kohanaiki Ohana, Inc., Iwi Kupuna Reburial at Kawaiaha'o

Halealoha Ayau I am here for Hui Hoʻoniho, the applicant, Kohanaiki Ohana is our fiscal sponsor because when we applied we were not tax exempt yet.





Let me lay the foundation first before we get to the positive part. This project is about reburial between 700-900 kupuna that were disturbed at Kawaiha'o Church. The Kawaiha'o Church was the Westminster Abbey of the Pacific. It was the church of our Ali'i. When the land was bequethed to the church there was already an exisiting burial site, then the church was established and then the cemetary was established. There is a very

serious lesson with this case and that is that the previous administration at OHA donated a \$1 Million dollars to Kawaiha'o Church for the development in this case. The project was to develop a multi-purpose center in the middle of a cemetary. For those who have been around for the last thirty years and follow State burial law, that was done to prevent such activities ever happening again. A law suit was filed by Dana Naeole Hall, a second lawsuit was filed by Paulette Kaleikini. The Hall case reached the Hawai'i Supreme Court, the Intermediate Court of appeals ruled that the church, DLNR, and the Department of Health (DOH) were all apart of a violation of HRS Ch.6E and the matters should ahve been properly presented to the O'ahu Island Burial Counsel (OIBC) for determination. This was not a matter for Dept. Of Health to exercise authority over. What DOH did is they issued a blanket disinterment permit. That means who ever hold that permit can disinter who ever they come accross. Starting in 2009 kupuna were being systematically removed. During that time a year long ho'oponopono took place with Dana Naeole Hall, Kamuela Kala'i, three Kahu's from Kawaiha'o, and myself. It was an intended to try to prevent this fro happening and to explore other avenues for the church to develop this multi purpose center. After a year trying to reconcile we failed and the church moved ahead with it's blanket disinterment permit and began removing the kupuna. I say 700-900 iwi removed because they can not tell you acurately how many people they took out, sadly because this is not the first time this has happened here.

So, the Intermediate Court ruled that the State violated the law and then ordered the matter to be remanded to the OIBC and for the counsel to make a determination whether to preserve in place or relocate them, in this case preserve in place meant reburial. By the time the matter was resolved by the courts Kawaiha'o had excavated the entire site. This grant was intended for *inaudible*

I want to mahalo OHA for supporting that mission, it hasn't been easy. I live on another island the constant flying back and for the last 13 years. Many families have come forward and it has been rough, we have had to seek the help of mental health experts. The focus on this is not pilikia, the focus should be on how do we reconcile it and how do we do deal with it. How do we summon the courage to address it? Under the leadership of Hinaleimoana, when she was Chair of OIBC, I am proud to share that in June of this year the OIBC approved the joint burial treatment plan developed by Kawaiha'o church. I do want to commend the Kawaiha'o Church leadership for accepting responsibility for something that they weren't part of, or a decision they were not part of but still stepping into that place and making the right decisions to get the kupuna back. We are now on the point of reburial.

I wan to end by say the original sin was the disturbance of over 700 kupuna. The importance of acknowledging when something is done wrong. Under the leadership of Kahu ken Makuakane, we are now at the stage of where we are going to plant the iwi.

The grant that OHA provided will allow us to be able to fly in all the families when the reburial comes. We are in the process to rebury the iwi. Mahalo for the support.

Chair Hulu Lindsey When do you think the completion of the reburial will occur.

Halealoha Ayau We hope by the end of this year. There is still some obstacles in the way but are being worked out. The plan that Hawai'i Dredging developed was a really effective one and it had the support of the families. I did mention it was a joint plan meaning the families and the church submitted this plan. Through that process there was healing of the hurt that this action caused.

Healthy Mothers Helathy Babies Coalition of Hawai'i, Mana Mama Mobile Clinic

Princess Ebbay I am a program manager with healthy mothers healthy babies. Healthy mothers healthy babies, we are a nonprofit organization and we were founded in 1992. We are dedicated to improving Hawai'i's maternal and child maternal child and family health.

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Our target population is socially high-risk pregnant and birthing people, newborns/infants with a focus on black, Native Hawaiians, indigenous, compact of free association (COFA) migrants and other people of color. Other programs and Services that we provide are Piko Pals, Hawai'i Cribs for Kids, Māna'ai Food & Provisions Distribution, and most recently our Mana Mama. A brief overview of who we serve.





We have seen a demand since COVID and an increase in Native Hawaiian families requesting services as well. Our Mana Mama has a clinical team that consist of a Nurse practioner, registered nurses, mid-wives, lactation consultants, and Dula. You may have seen our Mana Mama Clinic on the road, we bring this out to the families removing any barriers that they have to care such as transportation or child care. Our mobile van is fully equipped with a patient bed, prenatal and postpardome appointments, lactation consultations, and family planning. We are also able to drawl labs, and we are out in the community providing vaccinations. In addition, just this past December we launched our Mana Mama tele-health platform. It allows all of our families to connect with a clinician 24 hours a day with any questions that they have. We provide breastfeeding support statewide and local resources prenatal and postpartum support. With our 24 hour platform they're able to speak with a clinician right away, whether it's our nurse practitioner our or our midwives.



This is our homepage on our website that provides a link to our intake form, so that they can self-refer and have access to any of our services and then our little chat feature in the corner that allows them to connect with our conditions. In addition to clinical services, we also offer a wraparound social service to all of our families.

This includes our safe sleep education and child abuse prevention program at safe sleep, education and the distribution of a pack and play to ensure safe the safe space for the for baby.

We also provide food distribution, we are partner partnerships with Lanakila kitchen Latour and Hawai'i Food Bank to provide temporary provisions for our families.

Our Piko Pal new parent support program brings families together with babies between zero to 4 months they meet once a week for 12 weeks on creating their own little community they talk about topics that they all decide on together. We've done a mix of in person groups and virtual groups, depending on how comfortable the families are with meeting. Our Community Doula program which provides additional support to families during pregnancy birth and even after birth. We also are participating in Community events and resource fairs at the college's, we were at the March of Dimes March for babies just providing and disseminating information to the Community.

If you have any questions, you guys can email us or check up on our website and on behalf of healthy mothers healthy babies, we do want to thank you guys so much for your support and allowing us to provide the vital services to the families of Hawai'i.

Trustee Akaka What is the percentage of your clientele that are Native Hawaiian?

Princess Ebbay Right now 51%, it did go up since COVID. we were able to provide a lot of services and we were able to distribute a lot of home test kits to many Native Hawaiian families. We did this with partnerships we have in the community.

Trustee Ahu Isa Aloha Sunny, were you folks involved in lobbying for the breastfeeding?

Sunny Chen In 2017 I was not with the organization but I do believe we were involved in helping to uplift the midwives, support their work and provide them with a living wage.

Trustee Ahu Isa Remeber the shortage of the babies milk and they did not have enough. We were way ahead of that in 2017. You never know when we could run out. Okay, mahalo

Institute for Native Pacific Education and Culture, Kupu Ola Enhancement

Sanoe Marfil Aloha kākou, I am Sanoe Marfil, Chief Program Officer at InPeace and this is my collegue, Kuʻuleilani Samson. Mahalo nui for having us, and then a little later on the presentation, we will be having our program director of our Kalama education academy join us via zoom. We just wanted to take a moment to mahalo OHA for providing us the support to do the work that we do in community. We are a Native Hawaiian nonprofit organization statewide and we focus on early learning school readiness, educational leadership, and teacher development, as well as family economic capacity building. I will turn time over to Kuʻulei to talk about Kupuola.

Kuʻulei Samson If you are not familiar with InPeace, it's a big organization that does awesome work. I get to malama Kupuola. Kupuola is based at Waianae Intermediates Garden. We strategically work with our seventh grade science team teachers. Currently we have five teachers that are helping to collaborate curriculum and four that are present in the garden with their students. Two our regular ED classes and two are a little bit of the special behavior students and so they're more like a one on one situation where they have another teacher to accomadate their needs. They come into the garden and they're exposed to everything in the garden, and in the outdoor classroom there they're able to access cultural base education, meaning, not just working in China and learning how to grow food, but more so connecting themselves with their identity with the Hawaiian culture in the place of Waianae. We've been working a lot with our students and teachers currently we have 175 students.

I would say about 61% of those are Native Hawaiian and so a lot of the students that we work with our mixed are not only Hawaiian, but they come from throughout Hawaiinuiakea. Regardless of where they come from, even if they are transplanted into Waianae, they're still exposed to this culture so, that they too can find their sense of identity. I have worked with a cultural specialist and the Kumus to develop and design this curriculum that aligns with Hawai'i science standards. In quarter one theya re introduce to their geneology, they find who they are, where they come from and their goal is to identify. This encourages the 'ohana engaement opportunity. In quarter two they learn about meakanu. Through plants they learn how to eat, prepare, heal, and expose them to something they can not learn in a classroom. Inquarter three they learn mauka to makai and the place names of our community. They learn the mo'olelo connected to these place names and why they are named these names. Quarter four we move on to mo'olelo, our Hawaiian Superman. Our students will recognize that Maui comes from Waianae. The students are able to investigate the science of thir own. They learn, they do their own due diligence. Mahalo nui to you all for your support.

Sanoe Marfil One of the outcomes is that Ku'u is able to model for the teachers and show them how to relate to students, continue to work with students, and how to demonstrate Hawaiian values.

Angela Hoppe Cruz Mahalo nui for allowing me to share the progress made possible through your support. *Inaudible*. It's not just recruiting teachers, it's recruiting and hoping to empowerand develop teachers like Aunty Betty. Teachers that understand the power of a need for cultural connection. This is what we do at InPeace Educational Academy. We have been blessed to do this with OHAs support. We provide support to 200 plus community members that we are serving. 15% are OHA funded specifically, of the 15%, 78% of those folks are Native Hawaiian. We were launched in 2021 and we set out to increase specifically this grant the number of public charter kumu kai a olelo *inaudible* as a makua of a kumukai o keiki I have a very vested interest in this success.

In this time period we recruited 16 new community members. Some are starting out as substitute teachers and we also have *inaudible* of the 62 newly recruited substitute teachers, 43% are funded through the support of OHA and 74% are Native Hawaiian. One of the challenges often was the over night class cancellations due to staff shortages. It was not because of poor planning, many felt so guilty for making a doctors appointment. Their work load was non stop pre covid and it has been exaserbated, adding to their work load, translating everything from English into Hawaiian but also the philosophical frame work from English to Hawaiian. OHA's support allows to make long-term challenges by supporting locally rooted community members living in our community. The funding has provided us the ability to relieve the financial stress which is another huge barrier. It has allowed those who can commit to academic advancement and professional development to worry less of gas prices. *inaudible*

Sanoe Marfil We want to thank you for allowing us to speak and share our story.

Nānākuli-Maili Neighborhood Board No. 36

Germaine Meyers Mahalo to our trustees, thank for having us here this evening. My name is Germaine Meyers and I am a beneficiary for beneficiary advocacy and empowerment, I am also a Nānākuli Hawaiian homestead lessee. I am also a part of the Nānākuli-Maili Neighborhood Board #36. The neighborhood board was created by Frank Fasi and we are a nine member board that's been elected by our Community members within our number 36 district that was designated by the city. We serve a two year term and we're on our second year at this moment our term ends next year in June. Our Chair is with us this evening, Patty Kahanamoku Teruya, this is her 29th year on the board. We also follow the sunshine law, like OHA. We have a neighborhood board plan that has rules and bylaws that we must follow. We also have committees and there must be three members apart

of each committee in order for it to start as a quorum. We also have community members that can join the committees. We cannot deny any community member who wants to speak on every report. My purpose of being here is to discuss with you, Hawaiian Affairs in Nānākuli and Maili. Tonight I want to share five important points regarding the work we do and the composition of our neighborhood board.





- 1. Our election districts and current elected officials. Our district is part of city council district one and our leader is Councilwoman Andrea Tupola and we are apart of district 22. Our leader is Maile Shimabukuro and we are apart of House district 44 and 45. Our House of Representatives number 44 is Stacy Eli and number 45 is Cedric Gates.
- 2. DHHL Land why we have the highest concentration of Native Hawaiians in the world.



This is map of Nānākuli, the yellow is the Nānākuli homestead. There are 1,045 residential leases and in addition, the smaller yellow area is Princess Kahanu Estates, it consist of 270 residential leases for a total of 1,315 leases. DHHL in the last hundred years gave out 4,370 residential leases on Oahu. Nānākuli consist of 30% of the residential leases on Oahu. State wide DHHL has issued 8,477 residential leases State wide and Nānākuli consist of 16%





This is why we hav the highest concentration of native Hawaiians in the world because of the concentration and the amount of lots that we have in Nānākuli alone. I will now share with you the DHHL land in Maili, Lualualei also apart of our Baord #36. We have the Waianae Coast Comprehensive health Center, the main camus and all the properties makai on Farrington highway and Mailiili road. We also have Lualualei Agriculture lots, Voices of America, Ulukekui, and 40 acres of DHHL land that has been leased to Kamehmeha Schools. So far, ten acres of the forty has been developed to date. The waitlist of residential on Oahu is 11, 049 as of June 30, 2022.

3. Schools – The schools in Nānākuli and Maili; there are four on DHHL land in Nānākuli that serve all of Nānākuli and the Waianae coast. As of 2021, 2,802 students were enrolled in these four schools. The Department of Education, Strive Report notes that over 50% of these students are Hawaiian. There is one sschool on state land in Maili with 635 students (k-6)

4. Economic Stability – Jobs and Business opportunities are:



I want to share with you next is the DHHL land for other uses. As a business owner you need land, DHHL has issued a right of entry (ROE) permits for DHHL lands in Nānākuli and Maili specifically to these organizations, companies, or individuals. I have included the acreage for each one and the annual lease rent. For example, Nānākuli Ranch, is a pastoral lease or ROE, 438 acres for \$11,200 annual lease rent. This is less then a \$1,000 a month. Lyman Ranch, 1,126 acres for \$14,304 annual rent which is a little over a \$1000. I listed these for you to take into consideration that maybe there are opporunities for Hawaiians, like parks or other uses as well that can serve our community.

Finally, general leases, there is a two acres Nānākuli Hawaiian Homestead Community Association that were given a two acres parcel. They built Hale-Makana for an annual lease rent of \$1. Then 9.8 acres of Nānākuli Hawaiian Community Association — for Nānākuli Village which they are charged \$110,000 annual lease rent. We also have Kamehameha School, they have a learning center on 2.6 acres with an annual rent of \$41,600. When the mission of DHHL is to rehabilitate Native Hawaiians and awards residential agriculture, and pastoral leases, why is a general lease given to a non-Hawaiian for an eleven acres, for agriculture in Waianae Valley road for \$7,920 annual lease. Couldn't that go to ta Hawaiian to serve his or her family? These are the kind of things I look at because I want opportunities for Native Hawaiian families in my community.

I also, have a concern that my association in Nānākuli is charged \$110,000 which is less than \$10,000 a month but they charge a Native Hawaiian business owner for a small store front \$6,000 a month, which comes out to \$72,000 a year. That is concerning to me. Tak the money from Longs Drugs, Wendy's, or StarBucks but a Native Hawaiian leasee, beneficiary, graduated from Nānākuli High School went and got a loan, created a storefront, and are selling good at affordable prices but being charged \$6,000 a month. It really hurts my heart. These are the concerns I will be expressing to DHHL. I am sharing with you so that you can understand some of the challenges that we face in our community as Native Hawaiians.

This last piece are concerns and challenges – Flooding from rain and surf. Just recently, Pa'akea residence were stuck in their homes for days, fom the rain flooding out the road and they could not get out of their properties. These are farm lots at the top of Hakimo road. We also had accross the McDonalds of Nānākuli high surf that flooded Farrington Highway. These are some obstacles that we share with many other community members. We need a second access road, we are worried about sea level rise.

Old homes on DHHL in Nānākuli, we need funding to secure new home loans. The rising cost of rentals for families and kupuna are also a concern.



Other issues are the houseless camps in Nānākuli and Maili. Our free and ocean recreation is over crowded by tourist and homelessness. There is a lot of trasha nd disrepair. Recently, I read an email to Chair by community members that there was 12 tons of trash that had to be taken away from the park. These are all of the concerns shared by our community. Ke Akua Pu, God bless all of you.

Patty Kahanamoku Teruya Mahalo nui for having us. Inaudible the Charter was created under the City and County back in 1983 to provide neighborhoods to be a grass roots to our elected officials, State and Federal governments. We are an advisory board and we are covered under Robert's Rules. We have 36 neighborhood boards accross O'ahu and we are #36. We are serving our community and finding ways to make life better for our community. This can be transportation, housing and so much more. I want to express that Nānākuli neighborhood board has a Hawaiian Affairs Committee and we established that committee because we wanted to net-work with the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, with Trustees, with the Department of Hawaiian Homes to bring out these issues for our Native Hawiians. This way we can net-work and collaborate together. We try to educate our community on what OHA does so that we can support these budgets. I just want to thank you again for having us here and I appreciate all of you here.

Douglas Harrison – Testifier re: Dept of Hawaiian Homelands

He shares that he looked over many documents regarding Mauna Kea and the income being collected. He is concerned that OHA is not getting their fair share of money.

Department of Hawaiian Homelands (DHHL)

Tyler Gomes mahalo nui to all of you for the opportunity to come and address you folks. We do have a share of beneficiaries, all of our beneficiaries are your beneficiaries and we appreciate any opportunity for us to come and update you. I will update everyone on the \$600 million; a strategic plan is due to the legislature in December. The commission has approved a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) which has begun discussions. At the July commission hearing they presented a preliminary approach to the strategic plan. A quick highlight which is tentative, an additional 572 lots in Maui County, additional 1,500 lots in Honolulu County, 190 in Kaua'i County, and 440 on Moku o Keawe. You are familiar with the budgeting process so we are dependent on phased funding with the \$600 million infusion. We are hoping to do development agreements with is something untested for the department but would allow us to do design, construction, and planning all in one contract. The funding would also be used and considered for rental opportunities. You are aware of our development in Moiliili with Stanford Carr, we also have an additional property that we aguired accross the street from KS. If the Stanford Carr property turns out to be a success than we have other opportunities to continue developing in the urban core. O'ahu has the longest waitlist out of all the islands and has the least available amount of lands. The other point I want to point out is the desire to aquire property, we are allowed with that money to aquire undeveloped or developed property. We can aquire new units so not only is it very appealing it might help us to spend the money faster. We only have two years to spend it thanks to a technical issue with the bill. Also, it would expidite the timeline. We have had a number of offers come in the last few weeks for various properties accross the state and we are considering all of them. With that if the Office of

Hawaiian Affairs had land anywhere and wanted to talk to DHHL about it, we would be remissed not to consider the opportunity.

Community Concerns and Celebrations

Germaine Meyers Aloha Trustees Iw anted to share with you this evening the similarities of our neighborhood boards that we are a nine member board. Not one of us can move mountains, it is a collaborative effort. Its takes five people to vote to move mountains or to take action on proposals. I started coming to OHA back in 2016 and I can believe how fast time has gone by, I came at the cusp of an OHA audit. That OHA audit forced OHA to review their bylaws and to review their policies. We are also allowed to have PIGs and it is not just one person, it is a collaborative effort. Trustee Akaka, you remind me of your Grandfather, the late Senator Daniel Akaka, you make everyone feel important and they are being heard but also the members of the community. I also want to say mahalo to Chair Hulu for starting these multiple meetings on O'ahu; we never had that. I just want you to know how important it is for us. I appreciate that some of you know that you will never get 100% of the votes and sometimes you make concessions. For the greater good of all you relinquish your vote to take it over the finish line so that action can be taken. I truly appreciate each and every one of you.

Andre Perez Aloha mai kākou, I have a couple issues to bring up. Thank you trustees for hearing us. First issue I want to talk about is iwi kupuna repatriation. There is an issue that we are helping with, me and my non-profit. We are helping iwi kuamo'o led by Halealoha Ayau and others. I respect them as the most experience knowledgble practioners when it comes to iwi kupuna repatriation. This is in the process, ceremonies, the hana nui, and the work. They have over fifty years of experience of iwi kupuna repatriations. Some of these repatriations were thirty years int he making, some are twenty years and some are fifteen years. There are seven pending cases in the horizon right now accross Europe. I expressing my concern right now that OHA is not putting enough priority and perhaps hindering the process of these iwi kupuna coming home. As you folks know, OHA is the claiment because OHA is a government agency but OHA is not providing any funding support to bring these iwi kupuna home. Earlier this year many of us have seen either publications or social media websites that OHA has gotten a lot of fan fair and taken alot of cedit for the iwi kupuna repatriations that have happen this year. 65 sets of iwi kupuna came home this year. There is another trip coming up to bring more iwi kupuna home but OHA is not providing any funding support, we know that and you know that. At the last OHA meeting on Kaua'i, I told you folks that I was helping to fundraise and I have asked the Native American organization who I have relationships with called NDN Collectives. They have committed to fund all the money we need for the seven pending iwi kupuna repatriations. It is important that what ever the personality issues we have the iwi kupuna coming home from Europe after decadesis priority. I am here to emplore OHA to please be pro-active and supportive in making it happen. OHA does not do the heavy lifting, the negotiations, tracking down the iwi, finding the locations, and the decades of work. The emotional and psycological burden, and trauma of that work is immense. I would not want to be Halealoha Ayau. The kaumaha is painful. I feel hilahila, shame that we have to go to Native American Organizations and ask them for money, this should be OHAs kuleana to provide funding. OHA has not provided any funding for any of the repatriations, that is shame on us. Especially when you are promoting the return of iwi kupuna and taking credit. I am going to keep coming back. I am hurt and shame that we need to find funding outside of Hawai'i to bring our people home. It is a basic fundamental Hawaiian value to be buried in our homeland. It is codified in mele, oli, and pule. I am here to emplore you to please take away the restrictions the barriers and the personality differences the obstructions and help get our kupuna home.

My second concern is Pohakuloa training area. There is an issue that is not getting any media coverage. Firefighters that are stationed at Poahkuloa trainign area, which is a federal fire department. The Federal fire department is in charge of air crash rescue and runways, that is their kuleana. Some of the firefighters, who are

Hawaiian and from the surrounding area have reached out to me about four months ago expressing concern. Their concern is that the army wanted to do a large scale control burn. The firefighters have been telling the army that it is not a good idea to do this in that area. One, they are not trained for that, they deal with air crash. Two, they do not have capacity, Pohakuloa fire department is a normal daily staffing of thirteen firefighters; they have been operating with six firefighters for years. They aslo have ten wild land fire fighting vehicles, nine of them are broken. This past month was RIMPAC and due to live fire training a fire was started about two weeks ago. The firefighters have advised the army that they wanted to put it out while it was still containable, 400 acres was on fire. They requested support from Wheeler Army Airfield and the Army denied that support. That fire has burned out of control 3,500 acres of critical and endagered habitat area around Pohakuloa. There is a biologist that has stated that if the fire gets out of control it will be an extiction event. The area is known as area 22 with Native plants. Twelve federal firefighters have submitted statements and complaints against this decision. Those statements have been stonewalled by the Army. The military live fire training continued while this burning was going on. The last that I heard was the fire made its way to the old grove 'ōhi'a on Pohakuloa. I've reached out to other people and media and I haven't seen any traction but I am hoping that you folks can follow up and get some information. A person to contact is the President of the Firefighters Union, Ka'anapu Jacobs. He is trying to get help and attention for this issue. It was just last month where the Army lost control of another fire up at Pohakuloa girl scout camp. I just want to put this on your radar. Mahalo for your time.

Douglas Harrison I have published every article fom July 15th to date, articles on HB2024. *Inaudible* He shares the different amounts of money the government has given out over the years for various reasons such as COVID monies. He speaks on the inflation and how it will spiral. He is an advocate for putting Hawaiian Lands into Hawaiian hands. He would like to see this started with the lands of Mauna Kea. He wants to see OHA and DHHL get their fair share of the money.

Announcements

Trustee Akaka One happy announcment in the news yesterday was Miloli'i, the community on Hawai'i Island is now designated as a community based subsistance fishing area. We are very proud that OHA supported this measure.

Adjournment

Trustee Hulu Lindsey Moves to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Akina Seconds the motion.

Adjournment							
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JOHN	WAIHE'E						X

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Chairperson Carmen Hulu Lindsey Adjourns the Board of Trustees meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lehua Itokazu
Board Secretary
As approved by the Board of Trustees on XXXXXX 2022.
Carmen Hulu Lindsey
Chairperson, Board of Trustees

Attachments:

- 1. Excused Memo Trustee Ahuna
- 2. Excused Memo Trustee Trask
- 3. Excused Memo Trustee Waihe'e
- 4. Action Item BOT #22-11: Approval of an OHA Board of Trustees' Honorary Resolution Honoring the Contributions of Betty Kawohiokalani Ellis Jenkins to the Native Hawaiian Community and the State of Hawaii
- 5. PP 'Ulu'ulu
- 6. PP Kawaiha'o Reburial Grant Presentation
- 7. PP Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition of Hawai'i
- 8. PP Neighborhood Board #36