

STATE OF HAWAI‘I
OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
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(VIRTUAL MEETING - VIA ZOOM WEBINAR)

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**Minutes of the
Office of Hawaiian Affairs
Board of Trustees
September 20, 2022
1:30pm**

ATTENDANCE:

Chairperson Carmen Hulu Lindsey
Trustee Leina‘ala Ahu Isa
Trustee Dan Ahuna
Trustee Kaleihikina Akaka
Trustee Keli‘i Akina
Trustee Luana Alapa
Trustee Brendon Kalei‘āina Lee
Trustee Mililani Trask
Trustee John Waihe‘e IV

BOT STAFF:

Amber Kalua, Trustee Aide
Kanani Iaea, Trustee Aide
Lehua Itokazu, Board Secretary

ADMINISTRATION:

Sylvia Hussey, CEO
Casey Brown, COO
Ramona Hinck, CFO
Everett Ohta, Interim General Counsel
Nietzsche Ozawa, Interim Sr. Legal Counsel
Capsun Poe, Director of Community Engagement
Robert Klein, Board Counsel
Dan Santos, IT Support
Arlene Aguinaldo, IT Support

Call to Order

Chair Hulu Lindsey Calls the Board of Trustees Meeting to order for Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at 1:33 p.m. Board Secretary, please do a roll call.

MEMBERS			Present	TIME ARRIVED
TRUSTEE	LEINA‘ALA	AHU ISA	X	
TRUSTEE	DAN	AHUNA	X	
TRUSTEE	KALEI	AKAKA	X	
TRUSTEE	KELI‘I	AKINA	X	
TRUSTEE	LUANA	ALAPA		Joins mtg at 1:37 pm
TRUSTEE	BRENDON KALEI‘ĀINA	LEE	X	
TRUSTEE	MILILANI	TRASK	X	
TRUSTEE	JOHN	WAIHE‘E		Joins mtg at 1:38 pm
CHAIRPERSON	CARMEN HULU	LINDSEY	X	
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Chair Hulu Lindsey Aloha, due to COVID-19, OHAs Board or Trustees and standing committees will hold virtual meetings until further notice. The virtual meeting and can be viewed via livestream on OHAs website at www.oha.org/livestream

Before we begin, I would like to announce that items II.A.1 were recieved under the 72-hour deadline. Let me go over some quick announcements, please mute your mics when not speaking. We are recording today’s meeting for the sole purpose of producing written minutes which will become the offical record of this meeting. Joining the Trustees today is my staff Lehua Itokazu-Board Secretary and my Aides-Kanani Iaea and Amber Kalua. I will call on Sylvia to introduce our staff.

Sylvia Hussey, CEO We have COO-Casey Brown, CFO-Ramona Hinck, Interim General Counsel-Everett Ohta, Interim Sr. Legal Counsel-Nietzsche Ozawa, Community Engagement and Interim Advocacy Director-Capsun Poe, and supported by IT-Dan Santos and Arlene Aguinaldo.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Thank you. 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 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.

Our first item on the agenda is New Business. Lehua, do we have anyone signed up to speak on any of the items under New Business.

Lehua Itokazu No, we do not have anyone signed up.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Trustee Waihe‘e

New Business

- A. Joint Meeting of the Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment and the Committee on Resource Management**
 - 1. Action Item BAE-RM #22-03: Approve Non-Core Budget for Kaka‘ako Makai Legislative Activities and the Renaming of Kaka‘ako Makai***

Trustee Waihe‘e I’d like to move to approve \$1.3MM non-core budget to pursue legislative actions for Kaka‘ako Makai.

Trustee Akaka Seconds the motion.

Trustee Lee As this budget is going to be utilized to fund the new consultant, Kaiwi‘ula, for Kaka‘ako Makai activities, State Ethic laws require me to recuse myself from this vote as Kaiwi‘ula has me listed as a client.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Mahalo Trustee Lee. Roll call vote.

Trustee Waihe‘e Moves							
Approve \$1.3MM non-core budget to pursue legislative actions for Kaka‘ako Makai.							
Trustee Akaka 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	X			
TRUSTEE KELI‘I	AKINA			X			
TRUSTEE LUANA	ALAPA			X			
TRUSTEE BRENDON	LEE					RECUSED	
TRUSTEE MILILANI	TRASK			X			
TRUSTEE JOHN	WAIHE‘E	X		X			
CHAIRPERSON HULU	LINDSEY			X			
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				8			
MOTION: [] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [] FAILED							
Motion passes with eight (8) Yes votes, Zero (0) No votes and Zero (0) Excused.							

Motion #2

Approve the renaming of Kaka‘ako Makai to Hakuone.

Trustee Waihe‘e I would like to move to approve the renaming of Kaka‘ako Makai to Hakuone.

Trustee Akaka Seconds the motion.

Trustee Ahu Isa I wanted to explain why I went kanalua; I feel like, with so many new legislators getting in this next session, we are going to have to lobby. Everyone knows it as Kaka‘ako Makai. I feel like we can change the name later once we get what we want, then we can brand and change what we want. Some people will get confused.

Trustee Alapa Would Hakuone be the name of our development?

Chair Hulu Lindsey Yes, it would; that is the renaming. The reason for the renaming is the rebranding. Kuilei expressed to us that they are getting more intense towards the development while working on the master plan. Like other projects having names, not necessarily places. I agree with Trustee Ahuna that we cannot forget old names but when you brand a project, you cannot brand it with difficult pronunciation. There are different opinions, but the recommendations from our Kuilei developers and Administration is Hakuone.

Trustee Ahuna I am not putting down anybody or anything. For me, it is about changing names. Changing names of historical lands affect indigenous people globally. There is a loss of culture and historical footprint that was there before that. For me, it is not about making the name easy for people and with that, I will be voting no. Thank you and I respect everybody.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Thank you Trustee Ahuna, we respect your personal feelings.

Trustee Akaka Looking at the name and knowing all the thought and input given by Uncle Cy, this was very well thought out and thorough. The explanation he gives is very beautiful; the examples given prior, in regards to branding, is so important; this will still be Kaka‘ako Makai. For instance, having SALT at Kaka‘ako, it is still at Kaka‘ako. There are different ways we can still thread in the history and the culture of the area. I think that will be the beauty of sharing our story and, at the same time, it is important that we are able to have a new, fresh start and have a beautiful new name. At first, when I heard that we were going to give another name, I, too, was hesitant. It is so important on the naming of places because it gives breath to the place and gives another meaning; it is like having another child and naming them. I feel fully confident in this.

Trustee Alapa To clarify, will the name of our development be called Hakuone at Kaka‘ako Makai or is it Hakuone alone?

Chair Hulu Lindsey It will be Hakuone alone, but everyone will say Hakuone at Kaka‘ako Makai. Again, Hakuone is only OHA’s properties. This does not include Kamehameha’s properties.

Trustee Akaka The work on the naming and the collaboration started almost a decade ago, this is nothing new.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Roll call vote.

Trustee Waihe‘e Moves						
Approve the renaaming of Kaka‘ako Makai to Hakuone.						
Trustee Akaka 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	X			
TRUSTEE KELI'I	AKINA			X			
TRUSTEE LUANA	ALAPA			X			
TRUSTEE BRENDON	LEE				X		
TRUSTEE MILILANI	TRASK			X			
TRUSTEE JOHN	WAIHE'E	X		X			
CHAIRPERSON HULU	LINDSEY			X			
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				6	2	1	
MOTION: [] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [] FAILED							
Motion passes with six (6) Yes votes, Two (2) No votes and One (1) Abstension							

Community Concerns and Celebrations

None

Announcements

Chair Hulu Lindsey Our next Board meeting is set for September 29th at 10 am.

Adjournment


Trustee Akaka Moves to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Ahuna Seconds the motion.

Adjournment							
TRUSTEE		1	2	'AE (YES)	A'OLE (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
LEINA'ALA	AHU ISA			X			
DAN	AHUNA		X	X			
KALEIHIKINA	AKAKA	X		X			
KELI'I	AKINA			X			
LUANA	ALAPA			X			
BRENDON KALEI'AINA	LEE			X			
MILILANI	TRASK			X			
JOHN	WAIHE'E			X			
CHAIR CARMEN HULU	LINDSEY			X			
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				9			

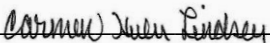
Chairperson Carmen Hulu Lindsey Adjourns the Board of Trustees meeting at 1:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lehua Itokazu
Board Secretary

As approved by the Board of Trustees on February 2, 2023.



Carmen Hulu Lindsey
Chairperson, Board of Trustees