

**State of Hawai'i
Office of Hawaiian Affairs
600 Kamehameha Highway
Kalama'ula, HI 96748**

**Minutes of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees Meeting
Thursday, June 16, 2016, 9:30 am**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Dan Ahuna called the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 9:32 am. Those present were as follows:

Attendance

Trustee Dan Ahuna, Vice Chair
Trustee Lei Ahu Isa
Trustee Rowena Akana
Trustee Peter Apo
Trustee S. Haunani Apoliona

Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey
Trustee Colette Machado
Trustee John Waihe'e IV
(arrived at 9:37 am, departed at 10:36 am)

Excused

Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr., Chair

Staff Present

Dr. Kamana'opono Crabbe, CEO
Robert G. Klein, Board Counsel
Capsun M. Poe, Board Secretary
Jeremy Kama Hopkins
Dayna Pa
Laurene Kaluau
Crayn Akina
Davis Price
Kay Watanabe

Lady Garrett
Liana Pang
Kawika Riley
Jocelyn Doane
Wayne Tanaka
Mehana Hind
Alice Silbanuz
John Rosa
Gayla Haliniak-Lloyd

Others Present

Shannon U'ilani Lima
John Villarimo
Kinohi Gomes
Tania Joao
Walter Ritte
Mac Poepoe

Kauwila Hanchett
Jennifer Hawkins
Kauai Manera
Conrad Aquino

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chair Ahuna noted the draft minutes of May 11, 2016 (Maui Community Meeting) and May 12, 2016 were distributed and asked if there were any changes.

Motion

At 9:39 am, Trustee Machado moved, seconded by Trustee Ahu Isa, to approve the minutes of May 11, 2016 (Maui Community Meeting) and May 12, 2016 as distributed.

TRUSTEE	1	2	'AE (YES)	A'OLE (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEI AHU ISA		2	X			
TRUSTEE ROWENA AKANA			X			
TRUSTEE PETER APO			X			
TRUSTEE HAUNANI APOLIONA			X			
TRUSTEE HULU LINDSEY			X			
TRUSTEE ROBERT LINDSEY						X
TRUSTEE COLETTE MACHADO	1		X			
TRUSTEE JOHN WAIHE'E			X			
VICE CHAIR DAN AHUNA			X			
TOTAL VOTE COUNT			8	0	0	1

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

Motion passed with eight (8) YES votes, no (0) NO votes, no (0) abstentions, and one (1) excused.

III. COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

Digital Bus Moloka'i

Shannon U'ilani Lima reported on her program that works with all schools on Moloka'i, including private schools. It is a place-based program to promote science and technology. Moloka'i Digital Bus is a mobile science and technology lab operated by Alaka'ina on Maui and Moloka'i. The program has four primary objectives: state of the art mobile laboratories; offering place based science projects; working with educators to design the best curriculum; and offering educators professional development opportunities.

Nā Pua No'eau

John Villarimo and Kinohi Gomes presented on NPN educational enrichment program activities on Moloka'i. Activities include Hawaiian culture and language, art, science, mele and hula and physical education and exciting learning experiences about the history, physical features, culture, and human treasures. Experiences are for the benefit of Native Hawaiian students and their families.

Trustee Hulu Lindsey asked if NPN receives any OHA funding. Mr. Villarimo responded they do not. Mr. Gomes acknowledged OHA's past support of NPN over many years. Since the end of OHA funding, they are working to get the University of Hawai'i to fund staff positions.

IV. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Tania Joao of Moloka'i Occupational Center spoke to support Hi'ilei Aoha. She stated that great leaders are servants first. She participated in their recent leadership development training. As a non-profit, they offer many services to the community and the assistance of Hi'ilei Aloha allows them to better serve their participants.

Walter Ritte wished Chair Lindsey a speedy return to service at OHA. He spoke on Aha Kiole, an attempt at the grassroots level to maintain control of natural resources. He stated it is particularly important because Moloka'i has both a cash economy and a subsistence economy. It is a state-recognized movement

and process. He also discussed the constitution being considered as part of Na‘i Aupuni’s efforts. There are some people who feel similarly and are now running on an aloha ‘āina platform for several elective offices across Hawaii.

Kauwila Hanchett of Ka Honua Momona thanked OHA for its support of their program. Her program cares for two fishponds on the island and received a sustainability grant from OHA for two years, which has allowed them to remove invasive species as well as expand program participation to youths. The program started 20 years ago to see fishponds come back.

Jennifer Hawkins of the County of Maui Office of Economic Development Kuhao Business Center spoke to thank OHA for its support of the Moloka‘i Business Conference. 333 businesses are currently registered on Moloka‘i and many of them do not have a footprint on island but are instead trying to bring investment from off-island, taking a one small business at a time approach.

Kaui Manera spoke on Hawaiian burials on Moloka‘i and the steps necessary for long-term sustainability.

Conrad Aquino (Zuzu) spoke about challenges he has had for not having 50% Hawaiian blood. He stated he is not looking for money, he is looking for ‘āina. He also shared many concerns regarding the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

Trustee Akana recommended Mr. Aquino form a coalition with others who have concerns and can then approach the HHC.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chair’s Update

Vice Chair Ahuna had no updates.

CEO’s Update

Dr. Crabbe reported that Chair Lindsey requested a meeting with Chair Masagatani of HHC and that would be an opportunity to discuss some of the issues brought up by beneficiaries. He shared information on Ahahui event grants for events occurring between January – June 2017 and referred people to OHA.org and noted a September 16 deadline. He also reported that after owning Kukaniloko lands, OHA recently did an enforcement that allows OHA to move forward with a community engagement plan for the area as well as broader planning.

Mr. Kawika Riley noted that yesterday marked the 10th anniversary of the Papahānaumokuākea MNM and that just today, Sen. Schatz requested an expansion of the monument, which is consistent with the conditions the Trustees set when they supported it: co-Trustee status, the entire expanded space is recognized for cultural and historical issues, no expansion toward Ni‘ihau and Kaua‘i. A decision is expected from the White House in the next several weeks on how to proceed. Public hearings are expected to allow comment on how the expansion should look.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Hui Malama O Mo‘omomi – Mo‘omomi Community Based Subsistence Fishing Area

Mr. Wayne Tanaka provided a brief background and update on the CBSFA proposal being developed by Mo‘omomi to DLNR. There has been a renaissance of communities trying to move forward their plans. He noted that Mo‘omomi was about 20 years ahead of its time on the state regulatory side, having passed rules, but not starting them. He also reported that the rules are part of a larger package.

Trustee Hulu Lindsey asked if enforcement was a problem. Mr. Mac Poepoe stated that monitor and enforcement are two different things. Currently they have a community council that will determine what happens. Mr. Tanaka stated that enforcement has been a challenge, but that most communities follow the regulations.

Trustee Machado asked how Haena got rules before Mo‘omomi. Mr. Poepoe responded that the state offered something that the community disagreed with.

Moloka‘i Community Plan

Ms. Jocelyn Doane provided an update regarding the Moloka‘i Community Plan, which is undertaken approximately every 10 years, and will revise the existing 2001 Moloka‘i Community Plan and maps.

She noted the process includes input from the Planning Department who creates the draft, Community Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) who reviews and recommends revisions to the community plan and provides Moloka‘i voice and vision, Moloka‘i Planning Commission, Maui County Council, and the Mayor’s Office.

OHA’s efforts have included work at the CPAC and Planning Commission levels. OHA made several suggestions regarding general difficulty identifying proposed changes, East End Policy Statement, traditional and customary rights, wai, and subsistence.

Moloka‘i Planning Commissioners voted in support of community and OHA mana‘o, as well as the inclusion of the East End Policy Statement, the Maunaloa West End Policy Statement, the Mana‘e GIS Mapping Project and the OHA sponsored Traditional and Customary Practice Report for Mana‘e Moloka‘i. These were included in the community plan over the objections of the Maui County Corporation Counsel and the Maui County Planning Director and his staff.

VII. BENEFICIARY COMMENTS

Zhantell Lindo of Moloka‘i Habitat for Humanity thanked OHA for visiting. They received a housing grant and under a no-cost extension were able to finish the project’s original goals. She also thanked OHA for the assistance of staff. She stated that with the University of Hawaii’s recently-announced tuition increases should also come with additional support for Native Hawaiians scholarships.

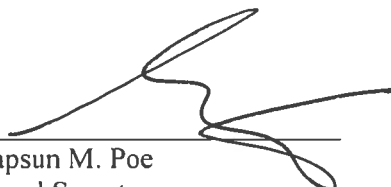
VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice Chair Ahuna thanked Trustee Colette Machado and the people of Moloka‘i for hosting OHA. He announced the next Board meeting will be held on Thursday, June 30, 2016 at 9:30 am. Trustee Machado announced a Committee on Resource Management meeting on June 22, 2016 and that it is expected to be a long meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Vice Chair Ahuna adjourned the meeting at 11:48 am.

Respectfully Submitted,



Capsun M. Poe
Board Secretary

Approved by the Board of Trustees on August 11, 2016:



Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr.
Chair, Board of Trustees