

**STATE OF HAWAI‘I
OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
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**Minutes of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Committee on Resource Management
May 23, 2018
10:03 a.m.**

ATTENDANCE:

Trustee Dan Ahuna
Trustee Rowena Akana
Trustee Keli‘i Akina
Trustee Colette Machado

Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey
Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr.
Trustee John Waihe‘e, IV
Trustee Leina‘ala Ahu Isa

STAFF PRESENT:

Kamana‘opono Crabbe, CEO
Alvin Akee
Claudine Calpito
Crayn Akina
David Laeha
Jeremy Kama Hopkins
Jonathan Ching
Kahealani Peleras
Kauikeaolani Wailehua
Kawika Riley
Lady Garrett
Liana Pang
Lisa Victor
Lehua Itokazu
Lōpaka Baptiste
Maria Calderon
Miles Nishijima
Misti Pali-Oriol
Mehana Hind
Melissa Wennihan
Momilani Lazo
Monica Morris
Phyllis Ono-Evangelista

Guest and Community:

Germaine Meyers

I. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey calls the Committee on Resource Management to order at 10:03 a.m., noting for the record that the following Trustees are present:

	Present	Excused	Comments
TRUSTEE LEI AHU ISA	X		
TRUSTEE DAN AHUNA	X		
TRUSTEE ROWENA AKANA	X		
TRUSTEE KELI'I AKINA	X		
TRUSTEE PETER APO		X	
TRUSTEE ROBERT LINDSEY	X		Left at 11:30 a.m.
TRUSTEE COLETTE MACHADO	X		
TRUSTEE JOHN WAIHE'E	X		
CHAIRPERSON HULU LINDSEY	X		
TOTAL	8		
At the Call to Order, there are eight (8) Trustees present.			

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey asks for a motion to approve a 72-hour waiver for materials under agenda item III. A. Minutes dates January 4, 2018.

Trustee John Waihe'e moves to approve the 72-hour waiver, for materials under agenda item III. A. **Trustee Dan Ahuna** seconds the motion.

	1	2	'AE (YES)	'A'OLE (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEI AHU ISA			X			
TRUSTEE DAN AHUNA		X	X			
TRUSTEE ROWENA AKANA			X			
TRUSTEE KELI'I AKINA			X			
TRUSTEE PETER APO						X
TRUSTEE ROBERT LINDSEY			X			
TRUSTEE COLETTE MACHADO			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 and one (1) EXCUSED.						

II. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

No public testimony.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey asks for a motion to approve the January 24, 2018 minutes.

Trustee Dan Ahuna moves to approve the January 24, 2018 minutes.

Trustee John Waihe'e seconds the motion.

Trustee Dan Ahuna moves to approve the January 24, 2018 minutes.

Trustee John Waihe'e seconds the motion.

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

MOTION: UNANIMOUS PASSED DEFERRED FAILED

Motion passes with eight (8) YES votes and one (1) EXCUSED.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Status Update: Assessment and Report on Kaua'i

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey calls upon Trustee Dan Ahuna to give a status update and assessment report on the island of Kaua'i.

Trustee Dan Ahuna requests that Mehana Hind and Phyllis Ono-Evangelista come to the table to report with him. He gives a quick background on where he started. He briefly mentions the survey he presented at the board table. He states in the last week he has been able to do a follow up regarding the information on the survey with key stakeholders in his community. More information was gathered, but assessments are being done on a daily basis. He reinforces and reminds everyone that access is still very limited and that community members are allowed in and out at specific times of the day. He turns his time over to the administration.

Kamana'opono Crabbe greets the Trustees and announces that the Governor's Proclamation regarding the Kaua'i emergency area is important. The importance of the proclamation allows the administration to bypass rules and procedures; such as procurement for sixty days. This will allow for the disbursement of funds in an expedited manner.

The current funding was approved from the biennium budget of last year. All funds at this point, without using the fiscal reserve, are coming from the grants budget. Immediate relief has been allocated in the amounts of \$250k for Kaua'i, \$250k for Puna, and \$250k for potential long-term. He states no money will be coming from the fiscal reserve or the kūlia grants funding. He will encumber the kūlia grants funding for next year to disburse when the Ad Hoc gives the recommendations. Mehana and Phyllis will give the breakdown on what the funding will be used for. Moving forward, OHA is not only a funder, but also an advocate in figuring out how they can offer assistance.

In use is OHA's Consumer Micro-Loan Program fund. Up to \$500k is currently available. Today, an individual or family could qualify for up to \$500k and the office is looking to see if that amount can increase to \$700k.

Also in use is the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund. Up to 5 million dollars is available to assist small loan business development. OHA is working with the outreach team in Hilo to gather appropriate information from the Puna community and the City and County. It is important to move forward with the Kaua'i disaster relief and at the same time anticipating the need for Puna, Hawai'i Island relief too.

Lastly, communication has taken place with Hawai'i Community Foundation (HCF) on a future partnership and leveraging of our \$250k long-term need. HCF has shown interest in the partnership. The focus is on the immediacy of emergency needs. He turns over the time to Mehana and Phyllis.

Trustee Rowena Akana requests administration to provide a breakdown of the budget of where the money is coming from, for the trustees. She wants to know specifically where in grants both totals (\$250k and \$250k) are coming from. She asks - *what is happening for the next fiscal year? This will affect the budget.*

She requests:

- A breakdown on where the money is coming from;
- *What grants, if any, are affected? ;*
- *How will the difference be made up?; and*
- *Will Administration ask the Board of Trustees to give more money to the grants program next fiscal year?*

On the consumer loans, she wants to know:

- What are the qualifications for the emergency loans?

She requests that all trustees know what the criteria is.

She wants to know if the long-term \$250k is a part of the budget for next year. She does not want any realignment to take place in the future.

She requests that Trustee Hulu, the Chairperson of the RM Committee, follow up on the answers to her questions and inquiry to the budget breakdown.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe states he has it available and will submit a memo to the Trustees.

Trustee Keli‘i Akina agrees with Trustee Rowena Akana. He praises administration of the emergency package being offered. He also praises Trustee Dan Ahuna for taking on the initiative and the hand-off to administration for the due diligence work and coming up with a program.

Trustee Dan Ahuna thanks administration for the due diligence and acknowledges Trustee Akana’s concerns. He states that everything she said is of importance to the trustees. This is why they had a survey very specific to the community. He explains how things are constantly changing and speaks on how getting a permit to re-build your home has changed. The County Council is changing rules and laws; this will affect our beneficiaries on how they rebuild. Immediate relief is necessary.

Trustee Rowena Akana inquires about the procurement process with the disbursement of grants. The criteria must fit the emergency to be sure OHA is compliant.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe agrees with Trustee Akana. He states that the Governor’s proclamation allows OHA to suspend the procurement process without compromising the criteria and the outcomes.

Trustee Lei Ahu Isa offers praises also to staff and to Phyllis. She also shares her concern on Kua o ka Lā.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe explains the execution of the team deployed to Kaua‘i will also be deployed to Hawai‘i Island to assess. The team will be adding Monica from advocacy due to her relationship with charter schools.

Trustee Colette Machado mentions an article from West Hawai‘i Today about Wao Kele o Puna criticizing OHA. OHA cannot settle for five hundred dollars like it did in 2014. She mentions geothermal could be another source of allocation and something to be considered, or made aware of.

Mehana Hind greets the committee. She announces that they are correlating Kaua‘i and Puna closely together because they are happening at the same time. As they work on Puna, they will use the same methodology as they did for Kaua‘i; details will be different due to the situations being different.

Plans are to meet with different agencies, gather necessary information, meet with in-house networks, and see what is available to meet the needs of the community. She reminds the board about the severity of the Kaua‘i floods and speaks of roads being washed away, and access to drive in and out of communities are allowed only by set times.

Trustee Rowena Akana asks if OHA’s money could fund a contractor to assist part of the garbage pick-up on Kauai.

Trustee Dan Ahuna states the issue is in the coordination. The money to assist in this type of situation, like the garbage, should be coming from the millions of dollars we are hearing about on the news going to Kaua‘i. He explains that the county is sending out only two county workers at a time for clean-up purposes. The community is using their own personal machines to maneuver and clean the debris. OHA fits in by assisting the coordination of services with our money.

Mehana Hind explains once the immediate response goes out to households, collaboration comes into play. Our goal is figuring out how can OHA assist the County, State, and Federal efforts to service the communities and become better coordinated.

Trustee Rowena Akana explains that she understands everything because she suffered damaged at her home in Honolulu from similar floods. The longer things sit, the more mold and problems you will incur. You must clean, get it out, and make it a priority.

Mehana Hind states relief workers is a category of focus. People in the community are deciding if they will stay and clean the debris or go to their real-paying jobs. Relief workers are something that needs consideration into the immediate next steps. Collaboration with the State is critical, to utilize the road to get everything out, instead of having trucks wait six hours for the road to open.

Trustee Dan Ahuna shares that OHA plans to assist the community on taking the rubbish out.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey asks Kamana‘o if he can assign an OHA staff person to the area, to collaborate and advocate for the beneficiaries on what type of help people need and to work accordingly. She believes there needs to be a person on the ground, there in Kaua‘i, to help our beneficiaires directly.

Mehana Hind shares that that is happening right now. A strong recommendation was to activate two staff persons, specifically to help with community efforts and to check on Native Hawaiian families. Trustee Ahuna has also deployed one of his staff members to Kaua‘i to work in collaboration with the community outreach centers. Updates come in constantly and needs are changing daily.

Trustee Dan Ahuna agrees with the trustees and says coordination of services needs to happen.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe states the details of what to expect with the use of funding. OHA’s Procurement staffer Phyllis will share more information with the trustees.

Phyllis Ono-Evangelista announces that a contract has been put together with the intent of looking to provide immediate financial assistance to all Native Hawaiians that live in the affected areas. By following the proclamation and the statutes, she was able to define the type of financial assistance and its use. The areas of focus include: food, clothing, medical care, medicine, other material for loss or damage to a dwelling, emergency housing, other related services, and also services to provide construction as it may be needed.

To identify the Native Hawaiian population, she will utilize the Hawaiian registry, birth certificates, and IDs. She explains the overnight flooding happened so quickly many people did not have time to grab the appropriate items or paperwork. People were concerned with protecting themselves, their children / family, their homes, and their animals. She will also be using other agencies to assist in identifying Hawaiian families. She explains they will be looking at numbers of children, households, and adults.

Questions include:

1. *What is your family makeup prior to April?*
2. *What was your home makeup prior to April?*
3. *After the flood, what is your housing and family situation now?*
4. *What is your income level?*
5. *What was your reason for requesting funds?*
6. *How much did you request?*

She states that added to the intake form will be “the right to verify anyone in the Native Hawaiian Registry”. At this time, this is what the contract will look like.

Kamana'opono Crabbe states OHA will be working with their service provider and following up if their situations have been improved. He will inquire if beneficiaries are utilizing the consumer micro-loan program and/or the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund. He welcomes feedback or questions at this time.

Trustee Keli'i Akina asks for more information on the service providers, *who are they, and how were they selected?*

Phyllis Ono-Evangelista replies that no procurement process is required due to the Governor's proclamation. This means no request for bids, quotes, or RFPs.

Mehana Hind states they are looking for someone with previous experience in delivering emergency financial assistance in Native Hawaiian communities. Preferably, a provider who is familiar with OHA's forms and the collection of data needed, for accountability purposes.

Trustee Keli'i Akina asks if they are looking for individuals in particular or an agency, like a nonprofit.

Mehana Hind states agencies with familiarity and capacity is what they are looking for at this time. They have asked local nonprofits on the ground in Kaua'i about capacity issues and the ability to deliver services. Many recognize they are not capable to carry out different tasks such as cutting hundreds of checks, reconciling and producing the necessary reports.

Trustee Keli'i Akina would like to know if he could have that part reported to the board.

Trustee Dan Ahuna states he believes it is very important for whoever gets the money from OHA that they must be able to report back.

Mehana Hind states that the team deployed to Kaua'i will be watching things closely.

Trustee Keli'i Akina appreciates the quickness of OHA's team and also KP's acknowledgement to maintain OHA's standards, in terms what would be expected in procurement and with OHA's policies.

Trustee Rowena Akana asks if anyone has checked with Catholic Charities and Helping Hands.

Mehana Hind says that that is a great recommendation. She shares that she has reached out to the CEO, Terry Walsh.

Trustee Rowena Akana asks if any of the people had homeowner's insurance.

Mehana Hind replies that not everyone had insurance and not everyone could get insurance. Many homes existed on lands for hundreds of years and building as they were going.

Those that have insurance are finding out that they were not covered.

Trustee Rowena Akana shares that if you have flood insurance then no other insurance will pay. If you have homeowner's insurance and no flood insurance, then the homeowner's policy should cover the contents and the building.

Mehana Hind shares she was shocked to find out that some families had to put down eight to nine thousand dollars at one-time, to acquire their flood insurance for the year.

Phyllis Ono-Evangelista states that many insurance companies are not willing to give policies in particular areas of Kaua'i. Those grandfathered-in, will be able to continue their insurance.

Trustee Rowena Akana states that during the next legislation session, OHA should look at the insurance companies in Hawai'i and assess just how much influence they have. She has paid for flood insurance for over forty years and never had to use it until this year. She feels the amount of money she has paid over the years has gone to the mainland disasters. She believes that if laws in Hawai'i become stronger, then the insurance companies cannot sell insurance in Hawai'i, unless they meet Hawai'i's qualifications.

Trustee Robert Lindsey thanks staff for all the work and support. He loves the approach of "community-based" which is community-driven. The situation on the island of Hawai'i is very fluid. The magma is not stopping. The gasses are still rising from the ground. The people on the island of Hawai'i and the people on Kaua'i are very resilient. Any kōkua that comes their way, they appreciate it.

Trustee Rowena Akana would like to know –

- *Is this is a prerequisite of what will be done on Hawai'i Island? ; and*
- *Is there a projected budget for Hawai'i Island?*

Kamana'opono Crabbe asks for clarification on the prerequisite.

Trustee Rowena Akana wants to know if the same things being done on Kaua'i will be done on Hawai'i Island. She also inquires on how OHA is acquiring information on how much money will be needed.

Kamana'opono Crabbe shares that a representative from the City and County has reached out for potential housing opportunities by those who have been displaced. OHA Hawai'i staff has been allowed to attend a meeting with stakeholders. OHA outreach is gathering information from the community. Monica Morris is working with charter schools' stakeholders on relocation efforts and the potential for additional help.

Mehana Hind states that immediately after the eruption started, OHA reached out to the Hilo office. The Hilo office was able to pull census data on Native Hawaiians living in Puna. This allowed OHA to get an idea of how many families or individuals that may seek help. Consistently, transitional-housing is needed and there is an impact on schools (many schools closed and then re-opened). The summer programs and new school year may be affected. Air quality is another issue. She hopes to get the best assessment once on the ground. They are looking at numbers on how many people are affected and how they are being affected.

Trustee Rowena Akana suggests that masks are a necessity for the people and to have them available at the Hilo offices. This is a priority of immediate assistance.

Trustee Ahu Isa states that she also works for Hilton Hawaiian and they have many employees that work in Waikaloa, but live in Hilo. The Hilton provided masks for their employees.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey refers back to Kaua'i. She asks if there is a count on how many residents are Native Hawaiians in the area and that need help.

Mehana Hind states that the impacted area has about 130-140 that have participated in the survey at the beginning and they anticipate a little bit more. Estimated in totality is under 200.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey acknowledges all the kōkua implemented, but wants to know where the OHA money would be most impactful.

Mehana Hind states directly into the households. She believes more than \$500 can be offered, but more so to be spread out into the community to help them with basic necessities.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey asks if the Board will be part of the parameters set for the issuance of OHA's money. She reminds the board that they must give away money that will be impactful. Parameters need to be set: what the money will be used for, and that some people may need more money than others. Everyone cannot afford loans if the parameters are so strict. These are things to consider.

People with insurance may need less money than people without insurance. It's important that people are able to move back into their homes. She believes some people need more money than others. The help from OHA needs to be meaningful.

She also states that there is some savings involving DHHL and would like administration to consider this money before touching grant monies.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe states that that is the money identified to help supplement the \$750k. This will allow OHA to keep the kūlia grant funding and to avoid using the fiscal reserve. The goal is to maximize the use of the \$750k as best as OHA can.

Trustee Colette Machado states ‘1.4 million dollars’ was mentioned earlier. She wants to know from what source did this sum derive itself from.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe states that that number includes the Consumer Micro-Loan, the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF), and Helping Hands.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey states they should not consider the loan amount, but consider what amount of cash is available on hand to give out to help our people.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe shares that OHA has reached out to the Administration for Native Americans to see if it would be possible to lower the interest rate, lower the qualifications, and increase the amount of loans. This would provide different options for people with different needs.

Mehana Hind states that financial assistance is just one area. This can allow them to get medicine, food, temporary shelter, and other similar things. This will not solve everything. A NHRLF Package is in the offering, after listening and speaking to the people from Kaua‘i and learning what needs are. Another task will be deploying the community outreach centers. Community members have voiced the need for communication tools. Single source, clear, and timely information is what the community mandates. She intends to offer the experience of OHA as well as advocate for the community.

Trustee Rowena Akana states it would be helpful to offer a resource guide with a list of contacts, organizations, community contacts, and phone numbers. The resource booklet should serve for future events. She also offers the idea to speak to the military for temporary housing.

Trustee Dan Ahuna appreciates the conversation and the questions asked at the table. He shares that he met with County Council Mason Chock and other County representatives to discuss on how to help the community. The list they came up with was the following:

1. Scope and gather information
2. Survey – get additional information from the community. Look towards providing immediate and long-term help.
3. Coordinating services – have boots-on-the-ground in assisting our beneficiaries. Be hands-on.

Trustee Colette Machado asks - *when does the sixty days expire from the Governor’s declaration?*

Kamana‘opono Crabbe replies June 15th for Kaua‘i and Puna is sometime in July. A short turnaround is what they are working on to finalize the contract with Catholic Charities. The hope is to finalize the contract, coordinate, and be in Kaua‘i for disbursement. In the works, we are developing a schedule to work with the community and introduce to them: the Consumer Micro-Loan, the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund, and the Mālama Loan. Once Kaua‘i is setup, then a similar team will be deployed to Hawai‘i Island.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey requests that administration let the board know on the parameters set and when the disbursement of money will occur so that trustees can answer any beneficiaries that happen to ask. She wants to be informed.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe agrees and states an informational sheet would be helpful in showing what funding is available, along with terms and requirements. Each trustee will receive an informational sheet with the necessary information.

Trustee Colette Machado wants to know - *how do they plan to come back and get approval?*

Kamana‘opono Crabbe replies the board approval of the biennium budget, the proclamation, and the guidance from corporation counsel will allow OHA to deploy immediately.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey states that even though the board has approved the budget, the plan is taking out more than 5%. She recommends that administration bring it to the board for approval.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe states that Trustee Hulu brings up a good point and will double check with Corporation Counsel. He is fine with it.

Trustee Colette Machado recommends that Trustee Hulu Lindsey have an RM Committee meeting. There is a meeting set for June 6.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey shares she is not available for that date, but is willing to hold a meeting on an alternate date before June 6th. She offers to hold a meeting next week in the afternoon at 1:00 p.m.

Trustee Colette Machado agrees that the June 6 date will work and mentions that the BOT meeting will be on the day after. She believes it is important to keep up the open dialogue and to have a sense of comfort on how OHA will be deploying all the parameters.

Trustee Keli‘i Akina agrees on the informational sheet that will be given to Trustees by administration to follow the plan in place. He would also like to suggest OHA let the public know what OHA is doing because this builds the reputation of OHA.

Trustee Lei Ahu Isa shares that on the news last night - hurricane season starts from June through November.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey thanks Phyllis, Mehana, and Kamana'o for their presentation and the information shared. She moves on to the FSP update.

B. Status Update: Fiscal Sustainability Plan (FSP)

Kamana'opono Crabbe states on May 18, 2018 an inter-office memo re: internal meeting amongst the Exec. Office team who participated in the FSP work groups and then a follow up meeting with the RM financial consultant, SPIRE was distributed out as an update. In the memo he identifies the approach to move forward and the priority in the FSP structure. He stresses the importance of conducting good due diligence and a vetting process so that everyone is on point in the function and use of the fiscal policy.

In the broader context of the spending policy and different opportunities to withdraw from the corpus. The first priority from his memo last week asks for a two-to-three week extension to allow due diligence to take place. The second priority is requesting a chance to come up with a recommendation to the board for consideration of the FSP.

He wants consistent language and terms that align with the current fiscal reserve policy. He also wants to work out the mechanics of the workflow. Eventually, he hopes a report will be produced to come to the RM Committee as a presentation of the findings of the fiscal reserve, then following all other priorities; personal and fringe, DHHL, LLCs, real estate, and then spending policy.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey states she appreciates getting this information in advance as it allowed the Trustees to look through what they can do better. She would like administration to consider her committee's recommendations.

Trustee Rowena Akana refers to page two regarding Fiscal Reserve Policy making. The statement on "what to do with lapsing funds", she states there should not be any funds lapsing. The cap is 3 million dollars.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey states they could lapse part of the 3 million.

Trustee Rowena Akana says "that is the question, if you keep it and add it to the following year then you find yourselves back to where we were before. Accounting principles states you shouldn't do that. If you do not use all of the fiscal reserve that year then its gone. It should not be carried over.

The second thing is co-mingling vs. separate funds, it should be a separate fund. The auditors add that to the regular budget and it looks like we've gone askew. It should not be co-mingled, this is a special fund. Based on what has already been agreed to, the funds can lapse. Determine how much and based on this and the discussion by the

board, describe what the funds can be used for; this should determine the policy. That is what we get criticized on, what we used it for. A discussion should take place on what will we use it for, something more specific than what it is now.”

Kamana‘opono Crabbe agrees with Trustee Akana.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey states the information from the last rough draft can compile into an updated draft.

Trustee Keli‘i Akina states he is happy that everyone is on the same page and thinks that part of the problem with the recent State Audit is that policy language was not specific to show that OHA was within its practices. The FSP development needs to work closely with policy articulation. This will require greater work on policy development and articulation.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe states the intent is to come up with recommendations of an adoption of a policy.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey states that in this time of need it would be helpful to pass the fiscal reserve policy.

C. Status Update: Independent Audit of OHA and its LLCs

Kamana‘opono Crabbe shares a brief summary and states that since April there is a second vendor wishing to move forward. He has signed off and moving forward with the non-disclosure agreement. Many meetings and the filing of paperwork have taken place by Phyllis and procurement. He recently approved the continuance of the negotiating committee. Phyllis can now do a more in-depth discussion on the contract with the vendor.

Phyllis Ono-Evangelista points out that they did not have a licensed CPA or permit to practice in Hawai‘i. The previous company did have someone listed in the proposal as well as a licensed person. She spoke to Commerce and Consumer Affairs and professional vocational licensing. Together they went through a book without a listed individual. The firm has a license, but there is no licensed individual in the SOQ that they sent. She has spoken to the next firm and they have provided someone who will be taking on the liability and risk. She will be working to put together a packet of information.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey states she plans to ask the Chair if she could do negotiations with board counsel, if that is an option.

Phyllis Ono-Evangelista expresses that she would like part of procurement and accounting present. She will make the time to get it done.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey asks if they can have a meeting before the end of the month, like next week.

Phyllis Ono-Evangelista replies yes.

Trustee Rowena Akana asks for clarification if the current discussion is about the second vendor.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey replies yes.

Trustee Rowena Akana addresses Phyllis. She states any time the board counsel has been in charge of a contractor, it is the board counsel that reviews the contract. This is to protect the Board. She prefers that the Board Counsel be available to review the contract and services. All board contracts need the approval of the board's attorney.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey requests that Phyllis set a date for the first meeting.

Trustee Rowena Akana states that we please just get this done. It has taken over a year to get this done.

Trustee Dan Ahuna asks - *what happen the first time?*

Trustee Colette Machado replies that the vendor withdrew.

Trustee Rowena Akana states that it took a very long time just to get to the first one.

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey explains that when the first group found out that OHA was under investigation they backed out, but the second company is fine. We are ready to move on with negotiations.

Trustee Keli'i Akina speaks on the audit and the presentation today and OHA's capacity to respond to an emergency is OHA at its finest. The process to audit ourselves is to keep our engine tuned and capable of doing this great work.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee Chair Hulu Lindsey announces there is a BOT meeting at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Rowena Akana moves to adjourn the RM meeting. Trustee John Waihe' e seconds the motion.

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TRUSTEE LEI AHU ISA			X			
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TRUSTEE ROWENA AKANA	X		X			
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TRUSTEE ROBERT LINDSEY						Left at 11:30 a.m.
TRUSTEE COLETTE MACHADO			X			
TRUSTEE JOHN WAIHE'E		X	X			
CHAIRPERSON HULU LINDSEY			X			
TOTAL VOTE COUNT			7			

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Motion passes with seven (7) YES votes and one (1) EXCUSED.

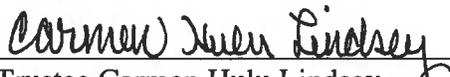
RM meeting adjourns at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lehua Itokazu
Trustee Aide
Committee on Resource Management

As approved by the Committee on Resource Management on September 26, 2018.



Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey
Committee Chair
Committee on Resource Management

ATTACHMENTS:


OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Trustee Hulu Lindsey, RM Chair
Trustee John Waihe'e, RM Vice-Chair

FROM: Trustee Peter Apo

DATE: May 22, 2018

RE: RM Meeting Absence on May 23, 2018

I am unable to attend the RM Meeting at 10:00 a.m. on May 23, 2018. Please excuse my absence and extend my apologies to the members of the Committee.

If you have any questions, please call my office at 594-1879.

Mahalo.

