I. Call to Order

II. Public Testimony

III. Unfinished Business
   A. CEO’s 15-Minute Update on Ho’oulu Lāhui Aloha and OHA Activities

IV. New Business
   A. Native Hawaiian Legal Corporation: Introduction of its Board members and presentation of its current programs and projects

V. Executive Session
   A. Consultation with Board Counsel Robert G. Klein, Esq. and Kumabe HR LLC re: questions and issues pertaining to the Board’s powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities regarding the Board’s obligations and responsibilities to conduct its performance appraisal of OHA’s CEO in accordance with Section III of Contract 3147. Pursuant to HRS §92-5(a)(2),(4).
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IV. New Business - Continued
   B. Committee on Resource Management
1. Action Item RM #19-07: Action regarding Economic Development, Debt Management, Spending and Investment and Real Estate Policies, 1st Reading†
2. Action Item RM #19-08: Approval of Resolutions of the Board of Trustees Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Reorganization Documents, and LLC Manager Position Description relating to Hi‘ilei Aloha LLC and Ho‘okele Pono LLC. †

C. Joint Committees on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment and Resource Management
1. Administration's presentation and recommendation to the JOINT BAE/RM Committee to review and approve action item BAE/RM #19-04; related to Community Grant recommendations. †
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G. Action Item BOT #19-08: Approve the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to investigate the incorporation of completed and approved work products of the Board Governance Framework PIG, L-Lahui Policies PIG, Board of Trustees By-Laws PIG, T-Level Policies PIG, and C-CEO Level Policies; and alignment and update of existing Board governance documents. †

VI. Community Concerns*
VII. Announcements
VIII. Adjournment

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Trustee Colette Y. Machado
Chairperson, Board of Trustees

Meeting of the Board of Trustee, May 30, 2019 Agenda Continued
Office of Hawaiian Affairs
Board of Trustee Meeting
May 30, 2019
9:30 am

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Any material that is relevant to this section will be distributed at the table during Executive Session. Confidential Material for Item V.A. was distributed prior to meeting to each Trustee. Please bring the envelope to the meeting, material will be collected in Executive Session.
IV. New Business

B. Committee on Resource Management

1. Action Item RM #19-07: Action regarding Economic Development, Debt Management, Spending and Investment and Real Estate Policies, 1st Reading†
May 22, 2019

The Honorable Colette Machado,
Chairperson Board of Trustees
Office of Hawaiian Affairs

Madame Chair Machado,

Your Joint Committees on Resource Management and Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment, having met on May 22, 2019 and after full and free discussion, recommends approval of the following action to the Board of Trustees:

A. Approve the Economic Development Policy, noting that Administration will return with the implementation procedures for Board action;
B. Approve the Debt Management Policy, noting that Administration will return with the implementation procedures for Board action;
C. Acknowledge the Spending Policy language and the existing Native Hawaiian Trust Fund (NHTF) Spending policy, as Amended, noting Administration will return with consolidated policy document for Board action; and
D. Acknowledge the Investment and Real Estate Policy language and the existing NHTF Investment and Real Estate Vision, Mission, and Strategy policies, noting Administration will return with consolidated policy document(s) for Board action.

Relevant attachments are included for your information and reference. Attachment(s):

1) Action Item RM #19-07
2) RM #19-07 Roll Call Sheet
Respectfully submitted:

Trustee, Chair Dan Ahuna

Trustee John Waihe'e, IV, Member

Excused
Trustee Leina'ala Ahu Isa, Member

Trustee Robert Lindsey, Member

Carmen Hulu Lindsey

Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey, Member

Trustee Colette Machado, Member

Excused
Trustee Brenden Lee, Member

Trustee Kalei Akaka, Member

Trustee Keli'i Akina, Member

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MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

DATE: Wednesday May 22, 2019
TIME: 10:00 am
PLACE: OHA Board Room, Nā Lama Kukui
560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200
Honolulu, HI 96817

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. Public Testimony*

III. New Business
   A. RM #19-07: Action regarding Economic Development, Debt Management, Spending and Investment and Real Estate Policies

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Trustee Dan Ahuna
Chairperson, Committee on Resource Management
Action Item
Committee on Resource Management
May 22, 2019

Action Item: Action regarding Economic Development, Debt Management, Spending and Investment and Real Estate Policies

Prepared by: Sylvia Hussey, Ed.D.
Ka Pou Nui, Chief Operating Officer

Reviewed by: Kamana'opono M. Crabbe, Ph.D.
Ka Pouhana, Chief Executive Officer

Reviewed by: Dan Ahuna
Committee on Resource Management, Chair

Reviewed by: Robert K. Lindsey, Jr.
Committee on Resource Management, Vice Chair
RM #19-07
Action regarding Economic Development, Debt Management, Spending and
Investment and Real Estate Policies

I. Proposed Action
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II. Issue
Whether the BOT should take action on the four policies associated with the Fiscal Sustainability
Plan (FSP): Economic Development, Debt Management, Spending and Investment and Real
Estate.

III. Background1 and Context
Overview. In 2016 OHA understood the need to become fiscally sustainable. Fiscal
sustainability was defined as the ability of a government or government agency to sustain its
current rate of spending, revenue and other policies in the long run. To do this, OHA needed
to change the way it operated and therefore began implementing the Fiscal Sustainability Plan
(“FSP”). To propel OHA’s progress in these efforts, the Committee formed five work groups
representing the BOT, OHA Administration, and staff experts to address five main areas that
may pose risks to OHA’s fiscal sustainability. The five areas were: spending policy, pension
benefits, legal and taxable structure, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, and real estate
investment.


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Each group started by conducting a risk assessment, and analyzing the risks that may prevent OHA from achieving its objectives in each area. The work groups developed suggested action steps to implement the changes in OHA operations, organization, and management reporting needed to address these risks, and discussed the pros and cons of each suggestion. The working groups were precedent-setting, and marked the first time the Board and the Administrative engaged in intensive collaboration. The participants overwhelmingly endorsed the working group effort as innovative and satisfying. Due to resource constraints the work groups had their last meetings in December 2017, however, it is important to note the important tasks identified by the groups that have not been completed.

In response to the State Auditor, OHA stated that it would “[h]ave the FSP Working Groups continue to: (a) develop and narrow down possible solutions, (b) meet with key stakeholders for input, (3) develop long- and short- term plans that identify the monetary sources and staffing needs for implementation, and assess the risks of potential challenges and how to address them. More specifically, the Spending policy working group will recommend clearer definitions, purposes, and procedures; specifics for periodic policy review; alignment with budget planning; a maximum cap; and appropriate spending rate. The Spending Policy and Real Estate working groups will discuss improvements to the IPS and consideration of an investment policy that would apply to real estate investments.”

Even if the working groups are currently inactive, it is essential that the tasks they identified be completed to fulfill this commitment to the Auditor. Given the prospective audit schedule, it is important that significant progress be made within the next six to 12 months. (Note: The Audit Analysis consists of estimates for the timing of potential audits in the future, summaries of the State Auditor’s findings, summaries of the State Auditor’s recommendations for action by the Board and the Administration and OHA’s commitments for action, as stated in the Auditee Response.)

**Working Groups.** The following section describes the objectives of each working group, the short- and long-term tasks identified by each group, the support provided by Spire to the group and what needs to be done (next steps) in order to address the working group tasks. The next steps are presented in table form. Each table has “objectives” that are relatively broad, and specific “items” within the scope of the objective. The tables enable each item to be checked off as it is
completed. There is also an “objective” check off that can be marked once all items have been completed. (Note: This is not intended as an exhaustive checklist, as other items that need to be completed may be identified during implementation.)

**Real Estate Investment Working Group.** Objective of the working group: To (1) establish a robust real estate management and investment plan, (2) create optimal organizational structures and real estate system and (3) formulate recommendations for proactive action, if necessary.

Short- and long-term tasks identified by the working group:

**Short-term:**
- Hold workshop for trustees re: alternative business forms for real property development

**Long-term:**
- Develop policies that support real estate investment

Work completed by the working group: The group discussed the current state of OHA’s asset management. It also discussed the need for a board workshop to (1) provide the status of current development projects, (2) explain the present and potential obstacles to development, (3) obtain board input about critical issues, such as timeline and governance (use of LLCs, board involvement in project execution).

**Spending Policy Working Group.** Objective of the working group: The purpose of this work group was to review OHA’s Spending Policy (including the Fiscal Reserve Guidelines) and other OHA fiscal policies to identify changes that need to be made to address present and future needs.

Short- and long-term tasks identified by the working group:

**Short-term:**
1. Revise spending policy and fiscal reserve guidelines to address audit findings
2. Determine appropriate spending rate formula to serve OHA objectives

**Long-term:**
1. Revise IPS and HDAP to accommodate present and future investment strategies, present to BOT for adoption
2. Develop spending and debt policies applicable to real estate investments and OHA operations

Work completed by working group: The group researched and discussed policy and legal issues to be considered by OHA, so that it can operate within the State structure while it retains its autonomy, ability to form entities, and manages its funds. These discussions included:

- Potential legislative changes that could be made to provide OHA greater autonomy, based on statutory autonomy and exemptions enjoyed by other semi-autonomous agencies of the State (UH, HCDA, HTDC).
- Methodology for separating the core and non-core functions of OHA and discussion about whether different funding and withdrawal rules should apply to each.
• Analysis of the fiscal reserve the State Auditor’s findings concerning it, and how it could be revised to address the audit findings.

*Legal and Taxable Structure Working Group.* Objective of the working group: The objective of the working group was to identify the optimal legal and reporting structure of OHA’s business development functions.

Short- and long-term tasks identified by the working group:

**Short-term:** Refine Decision Matrix and Decision Tree with the assistance of legal counsel, present to the RM Committee/BOT for adoption as decision making tools

**Long-term:** Develop guidance regarding OHA’s role (funder v. intermediary v. direct services) to guide strategic planning and OHA operations (such as for budgeting and spending)

Work completed by the working group: The group discussed OHA’s future needs for LLCs or other business forms, defined foundational principles OHA should consider when using business forms, drafted a decision tree and matrix and drafted subsidiary plan guidelines.

*Pension Benefits Working Group.* Objectives of the working group: The purposes of this working group were to verify the accuracy of OHA’s pension liability and conduct discussions with Budget and Finance (B&F) and Employee Retirement System (ERS) to adjust any discrepancies and determine if OHA can moderate the pace of future increases.

Short- and long-term tasks identified by the working group:

**Short-term:** Formulate legislative proposals for 2018

**Long-term:** Analyze pension and benefit costs, develop recommendations (as appropriate), present recommendations to Administration and RM Committee/BOT (as appropriate)

Work completed by the working group: The group discussed legislative strategy, provided assessments on the EUTF’s ability/inability to quantify OHA obligations and developed initial information requests that were sent to the EUTF.

*DHHL Working Group.* Objectives of the working group: The purposes of this working group were to identify the likely solutions to resolve issues in the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), identify the likely scenarios to refinance the annual cash payment obligation and formulate recommendations for proactive action, if any.
Short- and long-term tasks identified by the working group:

Short-term: Identify deliverables with DHHL, implement recommendations for improved oversight

Long-term: Develop debt policy and standards for incurring long-term obligations

Work completed by working group: Discussed the status of the DHHL and OHA MOA. Since the OHA internal legal opinion stated that nothing could be done regarding the MOU, the working group terminated further discussion. However, the group recommended consideration of a debt policy to prevent future agreements like the MOA.

IV. Policy Review and Analysis

Overview. During this fiscal year, Spire developed policies concerning the following subjects in response to needs identified by OHA as necessary in mission-critical areas and conducted workshops and other training regarding the policies. The policies were:

- Spending
- Debt Management
- Investment and Commercial Real Estate
- Economic Development
- Fiscal Stabilization

These policy revisions have the following long-term objective of proposing a distinct potential direction for OHA as an organization as it relates to who it is:

- A primary State agency that provides services and programs to Native Hawaiians (HRS Chapter 10-3)
- A semi-autonomous State agency which relies on self-funding (Legislative opinion)
- A State agency to assist Native Hawaiians in the pursuit of sovereignty and self-governance (Act 195).

Copies of the policies, with the exception of Fiscal Stabilization, are found at Attachments 1 to 4.


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As of February 2018, the BOT placed a moratorium on the use of the Fiscal Reserve.\(^3\)

**Board Governance Framework.** In January 2019, the Board approved the formation of a permitted interaction group (PIG) to: Investigate various elements of governance frameworks and models, including but not limited to cultural, indigenous, native, national and international contexts. In April 2019, the Board approved the PIG’s recommendation to approve the five elements of OHA’s Board Governance Framework: 1) Identity; 2) Values and Mana; 3) Statutory Basis; 4) Policies; and 5) Supporting Documents and Practices (Operations).

Element 1) Identity is expanded below and illustrates the dual nature of identity and the related impact to policies.

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\(^3\) Moratorium on Fiscal Reserve Spending, RM 18-03 A1.pdf, February 2018
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Action regarding Economic Development, Debt Management, Spending and Investment and Real Estate Policies

Economic Development Policy. The purpose of this Economic Development Policy ("Policy") is to ensure that revenue enhancement and other economic development projects undertaken by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs ("OHA") are conducted in a manner consistent with best practices and aligned with OHA’s long-term strategies and current conditions.

- Requires Administration to develop policies for analyzing and selecting economic development projects
- Requires Administration to develop performance standards for staff and consultants, and define permissible and impermissible projects
- Requires the Administration to develop criteria for selecting operating structures (such as LLCs and partnership)

It is the policy of the Board to ensure the development of procedures for selecting economic development projects and the operating structures for the projects that reflect cultural priorities and current economic conditions. The Board believes that documented procedures are important to ensure consistency within OHA regarding the use of land, cultural assets and other resources, and OHA’s expectations for business conduct. Additionally, the principles reflected in the procedures can be incorporated in development and other economic development agreements, enabling projects that are developed will be consistent with OHA’s needs and priorities.

A lack of due diligence, a lack of standards and a lack of criteria result may occur when there is no clear policy.

Because this is a new policy, implementation procedures are provided to effect this policy’s launch.

Debt Management Policy.
OHA shall not incur debt that is more than necessary to fund the OHA project or purpose for which the issuance was approved and any associated financing costs. Debt proceeds should be secured as close to the date of expenditure as
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Revisions to Spending Policy

- Requires the Administration to develop procedures to identify and prioritizing projects and programs as core and non-core
- Differentiates spending from withdrawal
- Requires the Administration to implement cost center budgeting

Revisions to Spending Policy

It is the policy of the Board that, in order to prioritize and manage its own spending, OHA must differentiate spending for core functions (performed by law) from spending for non-core functions (not required by law but related to OHA’s mission of improving and maintaining beneficiaries). OHA’s Spending Policy revisions are required because the two types of functions require different priorities and funding sources.

Further, OHA should implement cost center reporting to identify the costs incurred at the service and activity level, for better management of financial resources, budgeting and reporting.

- Conflict stemming from mixing of public funds and private funds
- Public distrust of OHA spending activities
- Unstructured spending decisions

Possible, unless there are practical reasons to issue sooner, in which cases such reasons should be documented and approved by the Board.

- Defines purpose for debt
- Defines debt
- Does not allow debt that is more than needed, and requires the debt to be secured as close to the date of expenditure as possible
- Requires debt to improve net worth or generate value, including cultural value
- Prohibits debt without a repayment solution, requires debt to be taken against an asset only for financial gain, requires due diligence prior to issuing debt

- Requires debt study every two years
- Requires administration to develop procedures to implement policy
- OHA should not issue debt that it cannot repay or that causes it to incur undue financial risk. OHA should not take on debt without a repayment solution that is consistent with its spending and withdrawal policies and its budget.
- Debt should be taken against an asset only for a financial gain. Prior to incurring debt, OHA must consider financial alternatives where its assets and portfolio are not totally at risk. OHA should leverage its assets wisely by using debt strategically and prudently.
- A rigorous due diligence analysis should be conducted prior to issuance of debt, including impact of future budgets, sufficiency of revenues dedicated to debt service or operating costs of capital assets, and impact on ability to provide future services.

A lack of repayment plans and dedication of funds, use of debt to cover operational costs and lack of diligence required to assume debt may occur when there is no clear policy.

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Investment Policy Changes and Real Estate Policy

- Separates management of commercial real estate from financial securities
- Requires development of a blended rate and regular updating of the rate
- Establishes a real estate advisory committee (HDIP committee)
- Requires the Administration to develop a robust real estate policy
- Requires the Administration to develop criteria for equity investments

Investment and Real Estate Policy. The purposes of this policy are to (1) ensure that real estate assets and equity interests of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs ("OHA") are managed differently from its financial security assets, (2) establish a process for setting an appropriate and achievable blended return goal for financial security assets, real estate assets, and other assets, (3) establish a real estate advisory committee to provide real estate expertise, and (4) direct Ka Pouhana to propose robust policies and procedures to manage the real estate and equity interest portfolio with the assistance of the real estate advisory committee and other experts. The rationale for each purpose is summarized below.

The existing Native Hawaiian Trust Fund Spending Policy, as amended, will need to be combined, aligned, harmonized and edited to produce a new document for Board action.

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OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

NATIVE HAWAIIAN TRUST FUND SPENDING POLICY, AS AMENDED

Adopted by the Board of Trustees, September 18, 2004
Amended and adopted by the Board of Trustees on May 21, 2009
Reviewed with modifications by the Board of Trustees on April 20, 2012
Amended and adopted by the Board of Trustees on February 27, 2014
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It is the policy of the Board that OHA’s investment policy be modified to include the following attributes:

- Separates management of commercial real estate from financial securities;
- Requires development of a blended rate and regular updating of the rate;
- Establishes a real estate advisory committee (HDIP committee);
- Requires the Administration to develop a robust real estate policy; and
- Requires the Administration to develop criteria for equity investments.

Without the proposed changes to established policy, applying the same investment strategy to all types of assets, reliance on financial asset performance on building value and making decisions without the correct level of experience poses challenges to the implementation of existing policy.

The existing Real Estate Vision, Mission and Strategy Policy, will need to be combined, aligned, harmonized and edited to produce a new document for Board action.
The existing Native Hawaiian Trust Fund Investment Policy Statement will need to be combined, aligned, harmonized and edited to produce a new document for Board action.

IV. Certification of Funding Availability
N/A – no funding required for action item.

V. Recommended Action(s)
Administration recommends the Board of Trustees (BOT):
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VI. Alternatives

Take no action.

VII. Time Frame

This action shall be effective immediately upon approval by the BOT.

VIII. Attachments

1. Economic Development Policy
2. Debt Management Policy
3. Spending Policy
4. Investment and Real Estate Policy
ECOnOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICY

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Economic Development Policy ("Policy") is to ensure that revenue enhancement and other economic development projects undertaken by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs ("OHA") are conducted in a manner consistent with best practices and aligned with OHA’s long-term strategies and current conditions.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of the Board to ensure the development of procedures for selecting economic development projects and the operating structures for the projects that reflect cultural priorities and current economic conditions. The Board believes that documented procedures are important to ensure consistency within OHA regarding the use of land, cultural assets and other resources, and OHA’s expectations for business conduct. Additionally, the principles reflected in the procedures can be incorporated in development and other economic development agreements, enabling projects that are developed will be consistent with OHA’s needs and priorities.

III. SCOPE & AUTHORITY

The projects covered by this Policy are all projects intended to increase the value of OHA assets, generate additional revenues, or achieve cultural and socio-economic priorities. Ka Pouhana is delegated the authority to develop the procedures necessary to implement this Policy. Nothing in this delegation is intended to diminish the approval authority of the Board as stated in the State Constitution, State law, or other OHA policies and procedures.

IV. PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICY

Ka Pouhana shall develop, for approval by the Board, procedures regarding economic development projects which shall be congruent with this Policy. The procedures shall model best practices and must address, at a minimum:

1. Procedures for analyzing and selecting economic development projects, including the requirements for the due diligence analysis and process prior to selecting the projects, the process for requesting approval by the Board, and reporting requirements to the Board.
2. Performance standards for OHA staff and external consultants, managers, or advisors.
3. Permissible/impermissible projects, if any.
4. Criteria for assessing different operating structures for the projects, including the evaluation criteria for selecting structures (such as LLCs and partnerships) so that diverse factors such as risk to OHA, control by OHA, and revenue potential can be weighed to achieve a structure that best fits OHA’s needs.

The procedures shall detail how the policy principles will be implemented - what will be done, what resources will be used and what results will be expected.
V. Exceptions to the Policy

While adherence to this Policy is required in applicable circumstances, changes in the capital markets, programs and other unforeseen circumstances may produce situations that are not covered by the Policy or require modifications or exceptions to achieve Policy goals. In these cases, the Board may consider and approve exceptions to provisions within this Policy. When a request for exception is made to the Board, a memo detailing the rationale for any exception to the Policy must be submitted to the Board.
DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Debt Management Policy ("Policy") is to ensure that all debt issuances undertaken by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs ("OHA") are completed in an efficient manner and in accordance with best practices.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of the Board to adhere to prudent financial management practices and commit to long-term capital and financial planning. This Policy will enable OHA to foster consistency and optimize the use of its limited resources to meet its long-term capital needs.

OHA believes that debt is an equitable means of financing projects and represents an important means of meeting fiscal responsibilities. Adherence to a policy is essential to ensure that OHA maintains a sound debt position and protects the credit quality of its obligations.

OHA intends to use debt efficiently to maximize the delivery of projects within acceptable levels of risk, balancing obtaining the best possible credit ratings, minimizing interest costs, and optimizing future flexibility.

A. Purpose of Debt

OHA shall not incur debt that is more than necessary to fund the OHA project or purpose for which the issuance was approved and any associated financing costs. Debt proceeds should be secured as close to the date of expenditure as possible, unless there are practical reasons to issue sooner, in which cases such reasons should be documented and approved by the Board.

Debt should improve OHA's net worth or help to generate value, including cultural value. Additionally:

1. OHA should not issue debt that it cannot repay or that causes it to incur undue financial risk. OHA should not take on debt without a repayment solution that is consistent with its spending and withdrawal policies and its budget.

2. Debt should be taken against an asset only for a financial gain. Prior to incurring debt, OHA must consider financial alternatives where its assets and portfolio are not totally at risk. OHA should leverage its assets wisely by using debt strategically and prudently.

3. A rigorous due diligence analysis should be conducted prior to issuance of debt, including impact of future budgets, sufficiency of revenues dedicated to debt service or operating costs of capital assets, and impact on ability to provide future services.

B. Financial and Credit Limitations

In addition to legal limitations, financial and credit limitations must also be considered, such as target coverage levels and credit ratings goals, before issuing new debt. In conjunction with this Policy, OHA will undertake a Debt Affordability Study ("Study") every two years to optimize the use of limited debt capacity while meeting public spending goals and to ensure the prudent use of debt and to preserve enough future debt capacity. The Study analyzes the OHA's debt profiles and presents relevant financial metrics to assess debt affordability. Before the issuance of any new
III. SCOPE & AUTHORITY

The debt covered by this Policy is as defined in GASB Statement 88, namely: “[F]or this purpose, debt is defined as a liability that arises from a contractual obligation to pay cash (or other assets that may be used in lieu of cash) in one or more payments to settle an amount that is fixed at the date the contractual obligation is established.” Debt includes, but is not limited to, issuances under Hawai‘i Revised Statutes (“HRS”) sections 10-22 and 10-23.

Nothing in this Policy is intended to supersede the requirements of State or federal law, including Article VII, sections 12 and 13 of the State Constitution, HRS sections 13(2) and 10-36, and HRS chapter 10, part II.

All debt is to be issued pursuant to the provisions, restrictions and limitations of the State Constitution, the HRS, the applicable provisions of the State of Hawai‘i Debt Management Policy, applicable federal law, and other mandatory requirements.

IV. PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICY

Ka Pouhana shall develop, for review by the Board, procedures regarding debt which shall be congruent with this Policy. The procedures shall model best practices for issuing debt. The procedures must address, at a minimum

1. Procedures for incurring and managing debt, including the requirements for the due diligence analysis and process prior to incurring debt, the process for requesting approval by the Board, and reporting requirements to the Board

2. Performance standards for OHA staff and external consultants, managers, or advisors

3. Permissible/impermissible forms of debt

The procedures shall detail how the policy principles will be implemented - what will be done, what resources will be used and what results will be expected.

V. EXCEPTIONS TO THE POLICY

While adherence to this Policy is required in applicable circumstances, changes in the capital markets, programs and other unforeseen circumstances may produce situations that are not covered by the Policy or require modifications or exceptions to achieve Policy goals. In these cases, the Board may consider and approve exceptions to provisions within this Policy. A memo detailing the rationale for any exception to the Policy must be submitted to the Board.
SPENDING POLICY

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to direct changes to the OHA Spending Policy ("Policy") to effect the directives in Hawai'i Revised Statutes ("HRS") sections 10-1(b) and 10-3(3) and (4) and improve its financial management processes.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of the Board that, in order to prioritize and manage its own spending, OHA must differentiate spending for core functions (required by law) from spending for non-core functions (not required by law, but related to OHA's mission of improving and servicing beneficiaries). OHA's Spending Policy revisions are required because the two types of functions require different priorities and funding sources.

Further, OHA should implement cost center reporting to identify the costs incurred at the service and activity level, for better management of financial resources, budgeting and reporting.

III. AUTHORITY

Ka Pouhana is delegated the authority to develop the proposed Spending Policy revisions and the procedures necessary to implement the Spending Policy revisions. Nothing in this delegation is intended to diminish the approval authority of the Board as stated in the State Constitution, State law, or other OHA policies and procedures.

IV. PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICY

Ka Pouhana shall develop, for approval by the Board, proposals to amend the Spending Policy to accomplish the purposes of this policy. The policies and procedures shall model best practices and must address, at a minimum:

1. Procedures for defining whether programs and projects are core and non-core programs.
2. Procedures for prioritizing programs and projects based on their classification of core and non-core.
3. Procedures for implementing and prioritizing programs and projects based on their classification of core and non-core.
4. Procedures for implementing cost center budgeting and reporting.

The procedures shall detail how the policy principles will be implemented - what will be done, what resources will be used and what results will be expected.
INVESTMENT AND REAL ESTATE POLICY

I. PURPOSE

The purposes of this policy are to (1) ensure that real estate assets and equity interests of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs ("OHA") are managed differently from its financial security assets, (2) establish a process for setting an appropriate and achievable blended return goal for financial security assets, real estate assets, and other assets, (3) establish a real estate advisory committee to provide real estate expertise, and (4) direct Ka Pouhana to propose robust policies and procedures to manage the real estate and equity interests portfolio with the assistance of the real estate advisory committee and other experts. The rationale for each purpose is summarized below.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of the Board that OHA's investment policy be modified to include the following attributes:

A. Separate management of the real estate assets and equity interests from the financial security assets

The Board's first directive is to separate the management of real property and equity interest assets of the Native Hawaiian Trust Fund ("NHTF") from the financial securities assets in the NHTF. Currently, OHA has only one investment policy that covers all assets, while best practices promote individual consideration of asset classes to manage investment risk. The management of real estate assets is governed by the Hawai'i Direct Investment Policy ("HDIP"), which is a policy that resides within the Native Hawaiian Trust Fund Investment Policy Statement ("NHTFPS"). However, as noted by the State Auditor, the HDIP is not a robust real estate policy. It is also out-of-date, as it refers to the prospective acquisition of OHA headquarters, which has already occurred with the acquisition of Na Lama Kukui. The transfer of all real property and equity interest assets into a discrete portfolio with the appropriate policies will result in more effective and efficient management of these assets. The separation of real estate (including equity interests) from securities, is consistent with best practices and the Kaohulama Schools' structure for asset investment management, which separates real estate from other financial assets.

B. Maintain an appropriate and achievable blended return goal for financial security assets, real estate assets, and other assets

The Board's second directive is to ensure the OHA return benchmarks are appropriate, are regularly reviewed, and are realistic. This purpose addresses the current deficiency that there is no requirement to regularly update return targets, and that targets are set for assets that have little potential to generate such returns, like legacy and programmatic lands.

C. Consult with an expert real estate advisory committee

The Board's third directive is to establish a real estate advisory committee to provide OHA expertise in real estate matters. The advantages of adding a real estate committee are to provide OHA with expert real estate guidance, assist the BOT in meeting its fiduciary duties to
beneficiaries, and improve the quality of analyses when making decisions. The establishment of a separate committee acknowledges that real estate and financial securities assets are not alike and need to be managed using different expertise.

D. Develop a robust real estate plan

The State Auditor has noted that OHA requires a robust real estate plan. The fourth directive is for OHA to require the development of a real estate plan, including guidelines to manage OHA's real property portfolio based on best practices, which consider value, purpose, and utilization.

It is contemplated that revisions to the NHTFIPS and the HDIP should be developed as part of the ongoing review of these policies by the Administration and its attorneys and investment advisors.

III. SCOPE & AUTHORITY

Ka Pouhana is delegated the authority to develop the procedures necessary to implement this Policy. Nothing in this delegation is intended to diminish the approval authority of the Board as stated in the State Constitution, State law, or other OHA policies and procedures.

IV. DRAFT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICIES

A. Ka Pouhana, with the assistance of OHA's attorneys and investment advisors, shall develop revisions to the NHTFIPS for consideration by the Board to establish: (1) an index-based blended expected return and (2) a routine procedure to set up to revisit and update the short-term and long-term return targets and (3) a plan to separate Legacy and Programmatic Lands from Commercial Lands.

B. Ka Pouhana, with the assistance of OHA's attorneys and investment advisors, shall develop for consideration by the Board: (1) other changes in the NHTFIPS or procedures, if any are required by this action item, and (2) policies and procedures to manage the real estate and equity assets.

C. The policies and procedures for management of OHA's real estate investments shall be congruent with OHA's Real Estate Vision, Mission and Strategy ("VM&S"), which state that OHA's Board and staff shall model best practices in the stewardship of OHA's real estate involvements.

D. Ka Pouhana shall develop an updated VM&S for the Board's consideration, which should be consistent with OHA's mission, values, objectives, and resources, and a HDIP Strategic Plan to guide the implementation of the HDIP's real estate strategy regarding the acquisition, development, management, and disposition of OHA's properties.

E. Ka Pouhana shall develop a real estate implementation plan for BOT approval. Together, the policy and the plan should describe a robust real estate management program. The policy and plan must address, at a minimum:

1. Debt and spending policies.
2. Investment objectives and priorities.
3. Economic and cultural objectives, including methods for balancing these objectives.
4. Performance standards for OHA staff and external consultants, managers, or advisors.
5. Asset allocation guidelines and portfolio composition targets, if appropriate.
7. Real estate standards and valuation criteria.
8. Permissible/impermissible forms of ownership.
11. Return expectations and leverage guidelines, if any.
12. Portfolio reporting requirements to the BOT.
15. Confidentiality.
16. Details on how the policy principles will be implemented - what will be done, what resources will be used and what results are expected.

F. Following BOT approval of the strategic and implementation plan described in D. and E., the Ka Pouhana and OHA Land Assets Paia shall create a Procedures Manual that further defines the processes and practices utilized by the OHA Staff and Advisors to manage the HDIP consistent with the policy and program.

G. Ka Pouhana shall develop a plan, structure and procedures for an independent HDIP Investment Advisory Committee ("IAC"), which shall review the HDIP Strategic Plan and the business plans for each property, and develop recommendations to the BOT. The Ka Pouhana shall also propose to the Board the names of members who might serve on the HDIP IAC, for Board consideration. The proposed HDIP IAC members should (a) share the values of and are committed to OHA's strategic objectives; (b) understand the OHA Real Estate Vision, Mission and Strategy and agree with the Strategy and associated policies; (c) can participate confidentially and impartially in discussions independently of their active real estate involvements; and (d) have experience in real estate management, investing, and capital budgeting.

H. Ka Pouhana, with the assistance of OHA's attorneys and investment advisors, shall develop policies for OHA's equity investments in Hawai'i businesses ("mission-related investments" or "MRI") for consideration by the BOT, and procedures to implement the equity investment policy. The policies and procedures should address, at a minimum:

i. Purpose/objectives of the investments. The purposes and objectives should be consistent with the following OHA goals: to further OHA's strategic plan by making investments with the potential to create sustainable economic activity for Native Hawaiians and, secondarily, to produce a return that meets or exceeds the designated benchmark return while maintaining appropriate risk parameters.

ii. The scope of permissible investments, including geographic and other limitations.

iii. Qualifications for MRI, including the type of businesses.

iv. Limitations on the amounts available for investment.

v. Standards.
AGENDA ITEM: New Business

A. RM # 19-07: Action regarding Economic Development, Debt Management, Spending and Investment and Real Estate Policies

MOTIONS:
A. Approve the Economic Development Policy, noting that Administration will return with the implementation procedures for Board action;
B. Approve the Debt Management Policy, noting that Administration will return with the implementation procedures for Board action;
C. Acknowledge the Spending Policy language and the existing Native Hawaiian Trust Fund (NHTF) Spending policy, as Amended, noting Administration will return with consolidated policy document for Board action; and
D. Acknowledge the Investment and Real Estate Policy language and the existing NHTF Investment and Real Estate Vision, Mission, and Strategy policies, noting Administration will return with consolidated policy document(s) for Board action.

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DISCUSSION:
IV. New Business

B. Committee on Resource Management

2. Action Item RM #19-08: Approval of Resolutions of the Board of Trustees Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Reorganization Documents, and LLC Manager Position Description relating to Hiʻilei Aloha LLC and Hoʻokele Pono LLC. †

* - The committee report for IV.B.2. will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees following its approval at the RM Committee Meeting scheduled for May 29, 2019.
Office of Hawaiian Affairs
Board of Trustee Meeting
May 30, 2019
9:30 am

IV. New Business*
   C. Joint Committees on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment and Resource Management
      1. Administration's presentation and recommendation to the JOINT BAE/RM Committee to review and approve action item BAE/RM #19-04; related to Community Grant recommendations.
May 22, 2019

The Honorable Colette Machado,  
Chairperson Board of Trustees  
Office of Hawaiian Affairs  

Madame Chair Machado,  

Your Joint Committees on Resource Management and Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment, having met on May 22, 2019 and after full and free discussion, recommends approval of the following action to the Board of Trustees:

A. Approve the Economic Development Policy, noting that Administration will return with the implementation procedures for Board action;
B. Approve the Debt Management Policy, noting that Administration will return with the implementation procedures for Board action;
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Relevant attachments are included for your information and reference. Attachment(s):

1) Action Item RM #19-07  
2) RM #19-07 Roll Call Sheet
Respectfully submitted:

Trustee, Chair Dan Ahuna

Trustee John Waihe‘e, IV, Member

Excused

Trustee Leina'ala Ahuisa, Member

Trustee Robert Lindsey, Member

Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey, Member

Trustee Colette Machado, Member

Excused

Trustee Brenden Lee, Member

Trustee Kalei Akaka, Member

Trustee Keli'i Akina, Member
MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

DATE: Wednesday May 22, 2019
TIME: 10:00 am
PLACE: OHA Board Room, Nā Lama Kukui
560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200
Honolulu, HI 96817

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. Public Testimony*

III. New Business
A. RM #19-07: Action regarding Economic Development, Debt Management, Spending and Investment and Real Estate Policies

IV. Adjournment

If you require an auxiliary aid or accommodation due to a disability, please contact Raina Gushiken at telephone number 594-1772 or by email at: rainag@oha.org no later than three (3) business days prior to the date of the meeting.

*Notice: Persons wishing to provide testimony are requested to submit 13 copies of their testimony to the Chief Executive Officer at 560 N. Nimitz, Suite 200, Honolulu, HI, 96817 or fax to 594-1868, or email BOTmeetings@oha.org 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting. Persons wishing to testify orally may do so at the meeting, provided that oral testimony shall be limited to five minutes.

Notice: The 72 Hour rule, pursuant to OHA BOT Operations Manual, Section 49, shall be waived for distribution of new committee materials.

[Signature]
Trustee Dan Ahuna
Chairperson, Committee on Resource Management

[Signature]
Date
OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Action Item
Committee on Resource Management
May 22, 2019

RM #19-07

Action Item: Action regarding Economic Development, Debt Management, Spending and Investment and Real Estate Policies

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Ka Pouhana, Chief Executive Officer

Reviewed by: Dan Ahuna
Committee on Resource Management, Chair

Reviewed by: Robert K. Lindsey, Jr.
Committee on Resource Management, Vice Chair
I. Proposed Action

Administration recommends the Board of Trustees (BOT):

A. Approve the Economic Development Policy, noting that Administration will return with the implementation procedures for Board action;

B. Approve the Debt Management Policy, noting that Administration will return with the implementation procedures for Board action;

C. Acknowledge the Spending Policy language and the existing Native Hawaiian Trust Fund (NHTF) Spending Policy, as Amended, noting Administration will return with a consolidated policy document for Board action; and

D. Acknowledge the Investment and Real Estate Policy language and the existing NHTF Investment and Real Estate Vision, Mission, and Strategy policies, noting Administration will return with consolidated policy document(s) for Board action.

II. Issue

Whether the BOT should take action on the four policies associated with the Fiscal Sustainability Plan (FSP): Economic Development, Debt Management, Spending and Investment and Real Estate.

III. Background\(^1\) and Context

**Overview.** In 2016 OHA understood the need to become fiscally sustainable. Fiscal sustainability was defined as the ability of a government or government agency to sustain its current rate of spending, revenue and other policies in the long run. To do this, OHA needed to change the way it operated and therefore began implementing the Fiscal Sustainability Plan ("FSP"). To propel OHA’s progress in these efforts, the Committee formed five work groups representing the BOT, OHA Administration, and staff experts to address five main areas that may pose risks to OHA’s fiscal sustainability. The five areas were: spending policy, pension benefits, legal and taxable structure, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, and real estate investment.


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Each group started by conducting a risk assessment, and analyzing the risks that may prevent OHA from achieving its objectives in each area. The work groups developed suggested action steps to implement the changes in OHA operations, organization, and management reporting needed to address these risks, and discussed the pros and cons of each suggestion. The working groups were precedent-setting, and marked the first time the Board and the Administrative engaged in intensive collaboration. The participants overwhelmingly endorsed the working group effort as innovative and satisfying. Due to resource constraints the work groups had their last meetings in December 2017, however, it is important to note the important tasks identified by the groups that have not been completed.

In response to the State Auditor, OHA stated that it would “[h]ave the FSP Working Groups continue to: (a) develop and narrow down possible solutions, (b) meet with key stakeholders for input, (3) develop long- and short-terms plans that identify the monetary sources and staffing needs for implementation, and assess the risks of potential challenges and how to address them. More specifically, the Spending policy working group will recommend clearer definitions, purposes, and procedures; specifics for periodic policy review; alignment with budget planning; a maximum cap; and appropriate spending rate. The Spending Policy and Real Estate working groups will discuss improvements to the IPS and consideration of an investment policy that would apply to real estate investments.”

Even if the working groups are currently inactive, it is essential that the tasks they identified be completed to fulfill this commitment to the Auditor. Given the prospective audit schedule, it is important that significant progress be made within the next six to 12 months. (Note: The Audit Analysis consists of estimates for the timing of potential audits in the future, summaries of the State Auditor’s findings, summaries of the State Auditor’s recommendations for action by the Board and the Administration and OHA’s commitments for action, as stated in the Auditee Response.)

**Working Groups.** The following section describes the objectives of each working group, the short- and long-term tasks identified by each group, the support provided by Spire to the group and what needs to be done (next steps) in order to address the working group tasks. The next steps are presented in table form. Each table has “objectives” that are relatively broad, and specific “items” within the scope of the objective. The tables enable each item to be checked off as it is
completed. There is also an “objective” check off that can be marked once all items have been completed. (Note: This is not intended as an exhaustive checklist, as other items that need to be completed may be identified during implementation.)

Real Estate Investment Working Group. Objective of the working group: To (1) establish a robust real estate management and investment plan, (2) create optimal organizational structures and real estate system and (3) formulate recommendations for proactive action, if necessary.

Short- and long-term tasks identified by the working group:

Short-term: Hold workshop for trustees re: alternative business forms for real property development
Long-term: Develop policies that support real estate investment

Work completed by the working group: The group discussed the current state of OHA’s asset management. It also discussed the need for a board workshop to (1) provide the status of current development projects, (2) explain the present and potential obstacles to development, (3) obtain board input about critical issues, such as timeline and governance (use of LLCs, board involvement in project execution).

Spending Policy Working Group. Objective of the working group: The purpose of this work group was to review OHA’s Spending Policy (including the Fiscal Reserve Guidelines) and other OHA fiscal policies to identify changes that need to be made to address present and future needs.

Short- and long-term tasks identified by the working group:

Short-term:
1. Revise spending policy and fiscal reserve guidelines to address audit findings
2. Determine appropriate spending rate formula to serve OHA objectives

Long-term:
1. Revise IPS and HDAP to accommodate present and future investment strategies, present to BOT for adoption
2. Develop spending and debt policies applicable to real estate investments and OHA operations

Work completed by working group: The group researched and discussed policy and legal issues to be considered by OHA, so that it can operate within the State structure while it retains its autonomy, ability to form entities, and manages its funds. These discussions included:

- Potential legislative changes that could be made to provide OHA greater autonomy, based on statutory autonomy and exemptions enjoyed by other semi-autonomous agencies of the State (UH, HCDA, HTDC).
- Methodology for separating the core and non-core functions of OHA and discussion about whether different funding and withdrawal rules should apply to each.
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- Analysis of the fiscal reserve the State Auditor’s findings concerning it, and how it could be revised to address the audit findings.

**Legal and Taxable Structure Working Group.** Objective of the working group: The objective of the working group was to identify the optimal legal and reporting structure of OHA’s business development functions.

Short- and long-term tasks identified by the working group:

Short-term: Refine Decision Matrix and Decision Tree with the assistance of legal counsel, present to the RM Committee/BOT for adoption as decision making tools

Long-term: Develop guidance regarding OHA’s role (funder v. intermediary v. direct services) to guide strategic planning and OHA operations (such as for budgeting and spending)

Work completed by the working group: The group discussed OHA’s future needs for LLCs or other business forms, defined foundational principles OHA should consider when using business forms, drafted a decision tree and matrix and drafted subsidiary plan guidelines.

**Pension Benefits Working Group.** Objectives of the working group: The purposes of this working group were to verify the accuracy of OHA’s pension liability and conduct discussions with Budget and Finance (B&F) and Employee Retirement System (ERS) to adjust any discrepancies and determine if OHA can moderate the pace of future increases.

Short- and long-term tasks identified by the working group:

Short-term: Formulate legislative proposals for 2018

Long-term: Analyze pension and benefit costs, develop recommendations (as appropriate), present recommendations to Administration and RM Committee/BOT (as appropriate)

Work completed by the working group: The group discussed legislative strategy, provided assessments on the EUTF’s ability/ inability to quantify OHA obligations and developed initial information requests that were sent to the EUTF.

**DHHL Working Group.** Objectives of the working group: The purposes of this working group were to identify the likely solutions to resolve issues in the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), identify the likely scenarios to refinance the annual cash payment obligation and formulate recommendations for proactive action, if any.
Short- and long-term tasks identified by the working group:

**Short-term:** Identify deliverables with DHHL, implement recommendations for improved oversight

**Long-term:** Develop debt policy and standards for incurring long-term obligations

Work completed by working group: Discussed the status of the DHHL and OHA MOA. Since the OHA internal legal opinion stated that nothing could be done regarding the MOU, the working group terminated further discussion. However, the group recommended consideration of a debt policy to prevent future agreements like the MOA.

**IV. Policy Review and Analysis**

**Overview.** During this fiscal year, Spire developed policies concerning the following subjects in response to needs identified by OHA as necessary in mission-critical areas and conducted workshops and other training regarding the policies. The policies were:

- Spending
- Debt Management
- Investment and Commercial Real Estate
- Economic Development
- Fiscal Stabilization

These policy revisions have the following long-term objective of proposing a distinct potential direction for OHA as an organization as it relates to who it is:

- A primary State agency that provides services and programs to Native Hawaiians (HRS Chapter 10-3)
- A semi-autonomous State agency which relies on self-funding (Legislative opinion)
- A State agency to assist Native Hawaiians in the pursuit of sovereignty and self-governance (Act 195).

Copies of the policies, with the exception of Fiscal Stabilization, are found at Attachments 1 to 4.

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As of February 2018, the BOT placed a moratorium on the use of the Fiscal Reserve. In January 2019, the Board approved the formation of a permitted interaction group (PIG) to: Investigate various elements of governance frameworks and models, including but not limited to cultural, indigenous, native, national and international contexts. In April 2019, the Board approved the PIG’s recommendation to approve the five elements of OHA’s Board Governance Framework: 1) Identity; 2) Values and Mana; 3) Statutory Basis; 4) Policies; and 5) Supporting Documents and Practices (Operations).

Element 1) Identity is expanded below and illustrates the dual nature of identity and the related impact to policies.

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3 Moratorium on Fiscal Reserve Spending, RM 18-03 A1.pdf, February 2018
Economic Development Policy. The purpose of this Economic Development Policy ("Policy") is to ensure that revenue enhancement and other economic development projects undertaken by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs ("OHA") are conducted in a manner consistent with best practices and aligned with OHA’s long-term strategies and current conditions.

- Requires Administration to develop policies for analyzing and selecting economic development projects
- Requires Administration to develop performance standards for staff and consultants, and define permissible and impermissible projects
- Requires the Administration to develop criteria for selecting operating structures (such as LLCs and partnership)

It is the policy of the Board to ensure the development of procedures for selecting economic development projects and the operating structures for the projects that reflect cultural priorities and current economic conditions. The Board believes that documented procedures are important to ensure consistency within OHA regarding the use of land, cultural assets and other resources, and OHA’s expectations for business conduct. Additionally, the principles reflected in the procedures can be incorporated in development and other economic development agreements, enabling projects that are developed will be consistent with OHA’s needs and priorities.

A lack of due diligence, a lack of standards and a lack of criteria result may occur when there is no clear policy.

Because this is a new policy, implementation procedures are provided to effect this policy’s launch.

Debt Management Policy.
OHA shall not incur debt that is more than necessary to fund the OHA project or purpose for which the issuance was approved and any associated financing costs. Debt proceeds should be secured as close to the date of expenditure as possible.
Revisions to Spending Policy

- Requires the Administration to develop procedures to identify and prioritizing projects and programs as core and non-core
- Differentiates spending from withdrawal
- Requires the Administration to implement cost center budgeting

Revisions to the Spending Policy

It is the policy of the Board that, in order to prioritize and manage its own spending, OHA must differentiate spending for core functions (permitted by law) from spending for non-core functions (not required by law, but related to OHA’s mission of improving and promoting beneficiaries). OHA’s Spending Policy revisions are required because the two types of functions require different priorities and funding sources.

Further, OHA should implement cost center reporting to identify the costs incurred at the service and activity level, for better management of financial resources, budgeting, and reporting.

- Confusion stemming from commingling of public funds and private funds
- Public distrust of OHA spending activities
- Unstructured spending decisions

an asset only for financial gain, requires due diligence prior to issuing debt

- Requires debt study every two years
- Requires administration to develop procedures to implement policy
- OHA should not issue debt that it cannot repay or that causes it to incur undue financial risk. OHA should not take on debt without a repayment solution that is consistent with its spending and withdrawal policies and its budget.
- Debt should be taken against an asset only for a financial gain. Prior to incurring debt, OHA must consider financial alternatives where its assets and portfolio are not totally at risk. OHA should leverage its assets wisely by using debt strategically and prudently.
- A rigorous due diligence analysis should be conducted prior to issuance of debt, including impact of future budgets, sufficiency of revenues dedicated to debt service or operating costs of capital assets, and impact on ability to provide future services.

A lack of repayment plans and dedication of funds, use of debt to cover operational costs and lack of diligence required to assume debt may occur when there is no clear policy.

Because this is a new policy, implementation procedures are provided to effect this policy’s launch.

possible, unless there are practical reasons to issue sooner, in which cases such reasons should be documented and approved by the Board.

- Defines purpose for debt
- Defines debt
- Does not allow debt that is more than needed, and requires the debt to be secured as close to the date of expenditure as possible
- Requires debt to improve net worth or generate value, including cultural value
- Prohibits debt without a repayment solution, requires debt to be taken against
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OHA’s Spending Policy revisions are required because the two types of functions require different priorities and funding sources. Further, OHA should implement cost center reporting to identify the costs incurred at the service and activity level, for better management of financial resources, budgeting and reporting.

Investment and Real Estate Policy. The purposes of this policy are to (1) ensure that real estate assets and equity interests of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (“OHA”) are managed differently from its financial security assets, (2) establish a process for setting an appropriate and achievable blended return goal for financial security assets, real estate assets, and other assets, (3) establish a real estate advisory committee to provide real estate expertise, and (4) direct Ka Pouhana to propose robust policies and procedures to manage the real estate and equity interest portfolio with the assistance of the real estate advisory committee and other experts. The rationale for each purpose is summarized below.

The existing Native Hawaiian Trust Fund Spending Policy, as amended, will need to be combined, aligned, harmonized and edited to produce a new document for Board action.
It is the policy of the Board that OHA’s investment policy be modified to include the following attributes:

- Separates management of commercial real estate from financial securities;
- Requires development of a blended rate and regular updating of the rate;
- Establishes a real estate advisory committee (HDIP committee);
- Requires the Administration to develop a robust real estate policy; and
- Requires the Administration to develop criteria for equity investments.

Without the proposed changes to established policy, applying the same investment strategy to all types of assets, reliance on financial asset performance on building value and making decisions without the correct level of experience poses challenges to the implementation of existing policy.

The existing Real Estate Vision, Mission and Strategy Policy, will need to be combined, aligned, harmonized and edited to produce a new document for Board action.
The existing Native Hawaiian Trust Fund Investment Policy Statement will need to be combined, aligned, harmonized and edited to produce a new document for Board action.

IV. Certification of Funding Availability
N/A – no funding required for action item.

V. Recommended Action(s)
Administration recommends the Board of Trustees (BOT):

A. Approve the Economic Development Policy, noting that Administration will return with the implementation procedures for Board action;

B. Approve the Debt Management Policy, noting that Administration will return with the implementation procedures for Board action;

C. Acknowledge the Spending Policy language and the existing Native Hawaiian Trust Fund (NHTF) Spending Policy, as Amended, noting Administration will return with a consolidated policy document for Board action; and

D. Acknowledge the Investment and Real Estate Policy language and the existing NHTF Investment and Real Estate Vision, Mission, and Strategy policies, noting Administration will return with consolidated policy document(s) for Board action.
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VI. Alternatives

Take no action.

VII. Time Frame

This action shall be effective immediately upon approval by the BOT.

VIII. Attachments

1. Economic Development Policy
2. Debt Management Policy
3. Spending Policy
4. Investment and Real Estate Policy
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICY

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Economic Development Policy ("Policy") is to ensure that revenue enhancement and other economic development projects undertaken by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs ("OHA") are conducted in a manner consistent with best practices and aligned with OHA's long-term strategies and current conditions.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of the Board to ensure the development of procedures for selecting economic development projects and the operating structures for the projects that reflect cultural priorities and current economic conditions. The Board believes that documented procedures are important to ensure consistency within OHA regarding the use of land, cultural assets and other resources, and OHA's expectations for business conduct. Additionally, the principles reflected in the procedures can be incorporated in development and other economic development agreements, enabling projects that are developed will be consistent with OHA's needs and priorities.

III. SCOPE & AUTHORITY

The projects covered by this Policy are all projects intended to increase the value of OHA assets, generate additional revenues, or achieve cultural and socio-economic priorities. Ka Pouhana is delegated the authority to develop the procedures necessary to implement this Policy. Nothing in this delegation is intended to diminish the approval authority of the Board as stated in the State Constitution, State law, or other OHA policies and procedures.

IV. PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICY

Ka Pouhana shall develop, for approval by the Board, procedures regarding economic development projects which shall be congruent with this Policy. The procedures shall model best practices and must address, at a minimum:

1. Procedures for analyzing and selecting economic development projects, including the requirements for the due diligence analysis and process prior to selecting the projects, the process for requesting approval by the Board, and reporting requirements to the Board.
2. Performance standards for OHA staff and external consultants, managers, or advisors.
3. Permissible/impermissible projects, if any.
4. Criteria for assessing different operating structures for the projects, including the evaluation criteria for selecting structures (such as LLCs and partnerships) so that diverse factors such as risk to OHA, control by OHA, and revenue potential can be weighed to achieve a structure that best fits OHA's needs.

The procedures shall detail how the policy principles will be implemented - what will be done, what resources will be used and what results will be expected.
V. EXCEPTIONS TO THE POLICY

While adherence to this Policy is required in applicable circumstances, changes in the capital markets, programs and other unforeseen circumstances may produce situations that are not covered by the Policy or require modifications or exceptions to achieve Policy goals. In these cases, the Board may consider and approve exceptions to provisions within this Policy. When a request for exception is made to the Board, a memo detailing the rationale for any exception to the Policy must be submitted to the Board.
DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Debt Management Policy ("Policy") is to ensure that all debt issuances undertaken by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs ("OHA") are completed in an efficient manner and in accordance with best practices.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of the Board to adhere to prudent financial management practices and commit to long-term capital and financial planning. This Policy will enable OHA to foster consistency and optimize the use of its limited resources to meet its long-term capital needs.

OHA believes that debt is an equitable means of financing projects and represents an important means of meeting fiscal responsibilities. Adherence to a policy is essential to ensure that OHA maintains a sound debt position and protects the credit quality of its obligations.

OHA intends to use debt efficiently to maximize the delivery of projects within acceptable levels of risk, balancing obtaining the best possible credit ratings, minimizing interest costs, and optimizing future flexibility.

A. Purpose of Debt

OHA shall not incur debt that is more than necessary to fund the OHA project or purpose for which the issuance was approved and any associated financing costs. Debt proceeds should be secured as close to the date of expenditure as possible, unless there are practical reasons to issue sooner, in which cases such reasons should be documented and approved by the Board.

Debt should improve OHA’s net worth or help to generate value, including cultural value. Additionally:

1. OHA should not issue debt that it cannot repay or that causes it to incur undue financial risk. OHA should not take on debt without a repayment solution that is consistent with its spending and withdrawal policies and its budget.

2. Debt should be taken against an asset only for a financial gain. Prior to incurring debt, OHA must consider financial alternatives where its assets and portfolio are not totally at risk. OHA should leverage its assets wisely by using debt strategically and prudently.

3. A rigorous due diligence analysis should be conducted prior to issuance of debt, including impact of future budgets, sufficiency of revenues dedicated to debt service or operating costs of capital assets, and impact on ability to provide future services.

B. Financial and Credit Limitations

In addition to legal limitations, financial and credit limitations must also be considered, such as target coverage levels and credit ratings goals, before issuing new debt. In conjunction with this Policy, OHA will undertake a Debt Affordability Study ("Study") every two years to optimize the use of limited debt capacity while meeting public spending goals and to ensure the prudent use of debt and to preserve enough future debt capacity. The Study analyzes the OHA’s debt profiles and presents relevant financial metrics to assess debt affordability. Before the issuance of any new
III. SCOPE & AUTHORITY

The debt covered by this Policy is as defined in GASB Statement 88, namely: “For this purpose, debt is defined as a liability that arises from a contractual obligation to pay cash (or other assets that may be used in lieu of cash) in one or more payments to settle an amount that is fixed at the date the contractual obligation is established.” Debt includes, but is not limited to, issuances under Hawai‘i Revised Statutes ("HRS") sections 10-22 and 10-23. Nothing in this Policy is intended to supersede the requirements of State or federal law, including Article VII, sections 12 and 13 of the State Constitution, HRS sections 13(2) and 10-36, and HRS chapter 10, part II.

All debt is to be issued pursuant to the provisions, restrictions and limitations of the State Constitution, the HRS, the applicable provisions of the State of Hawai‘i Debt Management Policy, applicable federal law, and other mandatory requirements.

IV. PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICY

Ka Pouhana shall develop, for review by the Board, procedures regarding debt which shall be congruent with this Policy. The procedures shall model best practices for issuing debt. The procedures must address, at a minimum:

1. Procedures for incurring and managing debt, including the requirements for the due diligence analysis and process prior to incurring debt, the process for requesting approval by the Board, and reporting requirements to the Board

2. Performance standards for OHA staff and external consultants, managers, or advisors

3. Permissible/impermissible forms of debt

The procedures shall detail how the policy principles will be implemented - what will be done, what resources will be used and what results will be expected.

V. EXCEPTIONS TO THE POLICY

While adherence to this Policy is required in applicable circumstances, changes in the capital markets, programs and other unforeseen circumstances may produce situations that are not covered by the Policy or require modifications or exceptions to achieve Policy goals. In these cases, the Board may consider and approve exceptions to provisions within this Policy. A memo detailing the rationale for any exception to the Policy must be submitted to the Board.
SPENDING POLICY

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to direct changes to the OHA Spending Policy ("Policy") to effect the directives in Hawai‘i Revised Statutes ("HRS") sections 10-1(b) and 10-3(3) and (4) and improve its financial management processes.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of the Board that, in order to prioritize and manage its own spending, OHA must differentiate spending for core functions (required by law) from spending for non-core functions (not required by law, but related to OHA’s mission of improving and servicing beneficiaries). OHA’s Spending Policy revisions are required because the two types of functions require different priorities and funding sources.

Further, OHA should implement cost center reporting to identify the costs incurred at the service and activity level, for better management of financial resources, budgeting and reporting.

III. AUTHORITY

Ka Pouhana is delegated the authority to develop the proposed Spending Policy revisions and the procedures necessary to implement the Spending Policy revisions. Nothing in this delegation is intended to diminish the approval authority of the Board as stated in the State Constitution, State law, or other OHA policies and procedures.

IV. PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICY

Ka Pouhana shall develop, for approval by the Board, proposals to amend the Spending Policy to accomplish the purposes of this policy. The policies and procedures shall model best practices and must address, at a minimum:

1. Procedures for defining whether programs and projects are core and non-core programs.
2. Procedures for prioritizing programs and projects based on their classification of core and non-core.
3. Procedures for implementing and prioritizing programs and projects based on their classification of core and non-core.
4. Procedures for implementing cost center budgeting and reporting.

The procedures shall detail how the policy principles will be implemented - what will be done, what resources will be used and what results will be expected.
INVESTMENT AND REAL ESTATE POLICY

I. PURPOSE

The purposes of this policy are to (1) ensure that real estate assets and equity interests of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (“OHA”) are managed differently from its financial security assets, (2) establish a process for setting an appropriate and achievable blended return goal for financial security assets, real estate assets, and other assets, (3) establish a real estate advisory committee to provide real estate expertise, and (4) direct Ka Pouhana to propose robust policies and procedures to manage the real estate and equity interest portfolio with the assistance of the real estate advisory committee and other experts. The rationale for each purpose is summarized below.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of the Board that OHA’s investment policy be modified to include the following attributes:

A. Separate management of the real estate assets and equity interests from the financial security assets

The Board’s first directive is to separate the management of real property and equity interest assets of the Native Hawaiian Trust Fund (“NHTF”) from the financial securities assets in the NHTF. Currently, OHA has only one investment policy that covers all assets, while best practices promote individual consideration of asset classes to manage investment risk. The management of real estate assets is governed by the Hawai‘i Direct Investment Policy (“HDIP”), which is a policy that resides within the Native Hawaiian Trust Fund Investment Policy Statement (“NHTFIPS”). However, as noted by the State Auditor, the HDIP is not a robust real estate policy. It is also out-of-date, as it refers to the prospective acquisition of OHA headquarters, which has already occurred with the acquisition of Na Lama Kukui. The transfer of all real property and equity interest assets into a discrete portfolio with the appropriate policies will result in more effective and efficient management of these assets. The separation of real estate (including equity interests) from securities, is consistent with best practices and the Kamehameha Schools’ structure for asset investment management, which separates real estate from other financial assets.

B. Maintain an appropriate and achievable blended return goal for financial security assets, real estate assets, and other assets

The Board’s second directive is to ensure the OHA return benchmarks are appropriate, are regularly reviewed, and are realistic. This purpose addresses the current deficiency that there is no requirement to regularly update return targets, and that targets are set for assets that have little potential to generate such returns, like legacy and programmatic land.

C. Consult with an expert real estate advisory committee

The Board’s third directive is to establish a real estate advisory committee to provide OHA expertise in real estate matters. The advantages of adding a real estate committee are to provide OHA with expert real estate guidance, assist the BOT in meeting its fiduciary duties to
beneficiaries, and improve the quality of analyses when making decisions. The establishment of a separate committee acknowledges that real estate and financial securities assets are not alike and need to be managed using different expertise.

D. Develop a robust real estate plan

The State Auditor has noted that OHA requires a robust real estate plan. The fourth directive is for OHA to require the development of a real estate plan, including guidelines to manage OHA's real property portfolio based on best practices, which consider value, purpose, and utilization.

It is contemplated that revisions to the NHTFIPS and the HDIP should be developed as part of the ongoing review of these policies by the Administration and its attorneys and investment advisors.

III. SCOPE & AUTHORITY

Ka Pouhana is delegated the authority to develop the procedures necessary to implement this Policy. Nothing in this delegation is intended to diminish the approval authority of the Board as stated in the State Constitution, State law, or other OHA policies and procedures.

IV. DRAFT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICIES

A. Ka Pouhana, with the assistance of OHA’s attorneys and investment advisors, shall develop revisions to the NHTFIPS for consideration by the Board to establish: (1) an index-based blended expected return and (2) a routine procedure to set up to revisit and update the short-term and long-term return targets and (3) a plan to separate Legacy and Programmatic Lands from Commercial Lands.

B. Ka Pouhana, with the assistance of OHA’s attorneys and investment advisors, shall develop for consideration by the Board: (1) other changes in the NHTFIPS or procedures, if any are required by this action item, and (2) policies and procedures to manage the real estate and equity assets.

C. The policies and procedures for management of OHA’s real estate investments shall be congruent with OHA’s Real Estate Vision, Mission and Strategy (“VM&S”), which state that OHA’s Board and staff shall model best practices in the stewardship of OHA’s real estate involvements.

D. Ka Pouhana shall develop an updated VM&S for the Board’s consideration, which should be consistent with OHA’s mission, values, objectives, and resources, and a HDIP Strategic Plan to guide the implementation of the HDIP’s real estate strategy regarding the acquisition, development, management, and disposition of OHA’s properties.

E. Ka Pouhana shall develop a real estate implementation plan for BOT approval. Together, the policy and the plan should describe a robust real estate management program. The policy and plan must address, at a minimum:

1. Debt and spending policies.
2. Investment objectives and priorities.
3. Economic and cultural objectives, including methods for balancing these objectives.
4. Performance standards for OHA staff and external consultants, managers, or advisors.
5. Asset allocation guidelines and portfolio composition targets, if appropriate.
7. Real estate standards and valuation criteria.
8. Permissible/impermissible forms of ownership.
11. Return expectations and leverage guidelines, if any.
12. Portfolio reporting requirements to the BOT.
15. Confidentiality.
16. Details on how the policy principles will be implemented - what will be done, what resources will be used and what results are expected.

F. Following BOT approval of the strategic and implementation plan described in D. and E., the Ka Pouhana and OHA Land Assets Paia shall create a Procedures Manual that further defines the processes and practices utilized by the OHA Staff and Advisors to manage the HDIP consistent with the policy and program.

G. Ka Pouhana shall develop a plan, structure and procedures for an independent HDIP Investment Advisory Committee ("IAC"), which shall review the HDIP Strategic Plan and the business plans for each property, and develop recommendations to the BOT. The Ka Pouhana shall also propose to the Board the names of members who might serve on the HDIP IAC, for Board consideration. The proposed HDIP IAC members should (a) share the values of and are committed to OHA’s strategic objectives; (b) understand the OHA Real Estate Vision, Mission and Strategy and agree with the Strategy and associated policies; (c) can participate confidentially and impartially in discussions independently of their active real estate involvements; and (d) have experience in real estate management, investing, and capital budgeting.

H. Ka Pouhana, with the assistance of OHA’s attorneys and investment advisors, shall develop policies for OHA’s equity investments in Hawai‘i businesses (“mission-related investments” or "MRI") for consideration by the BOT, and procedures to implement the equity investment policy. The policies and procedures should address, at a minimum:

i. Purpose/objectives of the investments. The purposes and objectives should be consistent with the following OHA goals: to further OHA’s strategic plan by making investments with the potential to create sustainable economic activity for Native Hawaiians and, secondarily, to produce a return that meets or exceeds the designated benchmark return while maintaining appropriate risk parameters.
ii. The scope of permissible investments, including geographic and other limitations.
iii. Qualifications for MRI, including the type of businesses.
iv. Limitations on the amounts available for investment.
v. Standards.
AGENDA ITEM: New Business

A. RM # 19-07: Action regarding Economic Development, Debt Management, Spending and Investment and Real Estate Policies

MOTIONS:
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IV. New Business*

C. Joint Committees on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment and Resource Management

2. Action Item BAE/RM #19-05: To approve the Scope of Work and Qualification Requirements as defined in the proposed RFQ in selecting a professional executive search and consulting firm to assist the Joint BAE-RM Committees for the recruitment and selection of a Chief Executive Officer.

* - The committee report for IV.C.2. will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees following its approval at the Joint BAE/RM Committee Meeting scheduled for May 29, 2019
IV. New Business*

C. Joint Committees on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment and Resource Management

3. Action Item BAE/RM #19-06: To approve and authorize the disbursement of $40,500 from the fiscal year 2020 Core operating budget (Object code 56530) and $40,500 from the Fiscal Year 2021 Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530) to fund Ahupua‘a O Moloka‘i.

* - The committee report for IV.C.3. will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees following its approval at the Joint BAE/RM Committee Meeting scheduled for May 29, 2019
Office of Hawaiian Affairs  
Board of Trustee Meeting  
May 30, 2019  
9:30 am  

IV. New Business  
D. Deliberation and decision making on the Report by the Permitted Interaction Group on the Development of L-Lahui policies of its findings and recommendations. Pursuant to HRS §92-2.5(b)(1)(C)  

Please insert the Report by the Permitted Interaction Group on the Development of L-Lahui policies. The report was distributed at the May 16, 2019 BOT meeting on Maui.
I. OVERVIEW

Two thousand eighteen (2018) marked the end of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs’ (OHA or Organization) strategic plan period, and several years of challenges within the organization, hampering the organization’s abilities to more intently apply and deploy resources to “better the conditions of native Hawaiians”. In the past 24 months, the following have undermined effective governance at OHA:

- **People.** Board of Trustees (BOT) interactions among themselves, with regulatory agencies (e.g., Ethics Commission, Attorney General’s office), with Administration (including staff), and beneficiaries and stakeholders have diverted strategic energy, focus, time and dollars from mission critical and aligned responsibilities.

- **Policies and Plans.** Un-implemented strategic policies and plans (e.g., Post 2018 Strategic Plan, including implementation, Financial Sustainability Plan, Debt Policy, Hawaii Direct Assets Policy, LLCs) have hampered the organization’s ability to advance mission critical and aligned strategies.

- **Procedures and Practices.** Audits—initiated or triggered by BOT interactions and behaviors, and completed in the normal course of regulatory and statutory requirements (e.g., Chapter 10)—have diverted trust resources (e.g., time and dollars) and highlighted procedure and practice improvements, respectively.

Given the changes and experiences in the last 24 months within the organization, the need for strengthening governance can be synthesized to a need:

- To improve the image, brand, credibility and standing in the community of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs;
- To demonstrate understanding of and accountability to the statutory, fiduciary and trust organizational responsibilities of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs via codified policies, procedures and practices;
- For explicit clarity in the roles, responsibilities and accountabilities of the Board of Trustees and Administration (including staff);
- For explicit and intentional clarity in the purposes, direction and strategic planning and implementation efforts post 2018; and
- To strengthen the organization’s ability to advance mission critical and aligned strategies.

The Board of Trustees (BOT) is committed to strengthening OHA’s governance framework, structure, policies, procedures and practices to more intently apply and deploy resources to “better the conditions of native Hawaiians”.

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II. PERMITTED INTERACTION GROUP – Board Governance Framework

Statutory Basis. In accordance with HRS, CHAPTER 92, PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS AND RECORDS §92-2.5 (b) Permitted interactions of members, (b) Two or more members of a board, but less than the number of members which would constitute a quorum for the board, may be assigned to: (1) Investigate a matter relating to the official business of their board; provided that: (A) The scope of the investigation and the scope of each member’s authority are defined at a meeting of the board; (B) All resulting findings and recommendations are presented to the board at a meeting of the board; and (C) Deliberation and decision making on the matter investigated, if any, occurs only at a duly noticed meeting of the board held subsequent to the meeting at which the findings and recommendations of the investigation were presented to the board; or (2) Present, discuss, or negotiate any position which the board has adopted at a meeting of the board; provided that the assignment is made and the scope of each member’s authority is defined at a meeting of the board prior to the presentation, discussion, or negotiation.

Formation. In January 2019, the Board approved the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to: Investigate various elements of governance frameworks and models, including but not limited to cultural, indigenous, native, national and international contexts. The PIG was established with: 1) Trustee Brendon Kalei‘aina Lee as Project Sponsor and Chair; 2) Trustee Colette Machado as Business Process Owner and Vice Chair of the PIG; and 3) Trustees Robert Lindsey and John Waihe‘e as members. The PIG was supported by Trustee Machado, Lee, Lindsey and Waihe‘e’s Aides; and Administration, Ka Pouhana, Kamana‘opono Crabbe, Ka Pou Nui, Sylvia Hussey and staff. The PIG, also known as the Board Governance Framework Project, implemented a project plan in five phases: Phase I – Planning; Phase II – Where are we now? (AS IS); Phase III – Proposing Elements of a Governance Framework; Phase IV – Proposing Implementation Actions; and Phase V – Closing Project and Lessons Learned. The PIG presented the final report and recommendations to the Board of Trustees (BOT) and the BOT took action at its March 28, 2019 and April 4, 2019 meetings, respectively.

1 Interim Chair of the Resource Management Committee at the time of the formation of the Permitted Interaction Group
2 Chair of the Beneficiary, Advocacy and Empowerment Committee
Five Elements of the Board Governance Framework. Via Action Item BOT# 19-04, the Board approved the five elements of OHA’s Board Governance Framework: 1) Identity; 2) Values and Mana; 3) Statutory Basis; 4) Policies; and 5) Supporting Documents and Practices (Operations).

Subsequent Permitted Interaction Groups. Included in the final report, the PIG recommended implementation of the Board Governance Framework elements via the following sequenced, subsequent, newly formed, approved and executed PIGs:

a. Development of L-Lāhui level policies;

b. Alignment and update of existing BOT By-Laws;

c. Development of T-Trustee level policies;

d. Development of C-CEO level policies; and

e. Alignment and update of existing Board governance documents (e.g., Executive Policy Manual, BOT Operating Manual).

On April 4, 2019, via Action Item BOT# 19-05, the Board approved the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group to investigate the development of L-Lāhui policies for OHA’s Board Governance Framework.
III. PERMITTED INTERACTION GROUP – L-Lāhui Level Policies

Permitted Interaction Group - Purview. The purview of the PIG was for the Board of Trustees (BOT), BOT staff and OHA Administration staff to work together to: (1) Investigate the development of L-Lāhui policies for OHA’s Board Governance Framework, which would articulate the Hawaiian cultural foundation of the organization as a basis for the kaumāna (heavy weight, sadness) or significant kuleana (responsibility) to normalize Hawaiian language, protect and exercise native rights regarding ‘āina, water, wahi pana and iwi kupuna, strengthen ‘ohana and kaiāulu, perpetuate Hawaiian culture, knowledge and practices and engage in global, international indigenous contexts; (2) Establish consistent policy formulation, format, review and update parameters, mechanisms and processes; and (3) Integrate the developed policies into the Board Governance Framework.

Permitted Interaction Group – Members. The membership of the Permitted Interaction Group was established as follows:
1. Trustee Colette Machado, BOT Chairperson
2. Trustee Brendon Kalei‘āina Lee, BOT Vice Chairperson
3. Trustee Robert Lindsey, RM Vice Chairperson
4. Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey
5. Kamana‘opono Crabbe, Ka Pouhana
6. Sylvia Hussey, Ka Pou Nui

Trustee Lee served as the Chair of the Permitted Interaction Group; and Trustee Machado served as its Vice Chair.

Permitted Interaction Group - Term/Duration. The term of the Permitted Interaction Group expires at the completion of the assigned task, no later than May 31, 2019; or at the discretion of the Chair of the Board of Trustees, subject to later adjustment.

For purposes of the PIG, the following working definition of “governance” was used to frame the project, activities and deliverables: Establishment of policies, and continuous monitoring of their proper implementation, by the members of the governing body of an organization. It includes mechanisms required to balance the powers of the members (with the associated accountability) and their primary duty of enhancing the prosperity and viability of the organization.³

³ http://www.businessdictionary.com/definition/governance.html, retrieved 1/1/2019
IV. PROJECT PLAN

Beginning with the April 4, 2019 formation, the deliverables for the PIG included L-Lāhui level policies and standard operating procedures for policy development and maintenance (i.e., a policy on policies).
V. WORKING DEFINITIONS

Beginning with each formed and completed PIG, working definitions were identified and used to aid the work of the PIG. Definitions are NOT intended to be THE, one and only, all encompassing, singular, definition, but a working definition to consistently guide the cascaded work of the Board Governance Framework. The following working definitions have been identified and are in use thus far:

**Governance**⁴. Establishment of policies, and continuous monitoring of their proper implementation, by the members of the governing body of an organization. It includes the mechanisms required to balance the powers of the members (with the associated accountability), and their primary duty of enhancing the prosperity and viability of the organization.

**Policy**⁵. Prudence or wisdom in the management of affairs; management or procedure based primarily on material interest; a definite course or method of action selected from among alternatives and in light of given conditions to guide and determine present and future decisions; and a high-level overall plan embracing the general goals and acceptable procedures especially of a governmental body.

The project team looked to the past to inform its work, “Tired of others trying to define Hawaiians and of being “pummeled into accepting the stranger’s view of ourselves as being cute, all-abiding, friendly nincompoops,” John Dominis Holt’s 1964 "On Being Hawaiian" described the lāhui instead as a “people with a history... the native connective tissue to forebears who used these islands superbly for the production of goods and the enjoyment of life.” The following working definition for lāhui was informed by our past and is meant to be inclusive of broad concepts and not exclusive to specific definitions.

**Lāhui**⁶. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lāhui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lāhui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lāhui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

⁴ [http://www.businessdictionary.com/definition/governance.html](http://www.businessdictionary.com/definition/governance.html), retrieved 1/1/2019
⁶ Project team
VI. PROJECT ACTIVITY – Aggregate L-Lähui Level Policy Topics

Setting Context “Lähui Level Policy”. The current status of the Lähui Hawai‘i is incredibly diverse in both values and beliefs, perhaps even more so than we were prior to the widespread introduction of Euro-American and Asian cultures of the 19th Century. The Lähui Hawai‘i, today, is perhaps the most diverse that it ever has been.

With that said, it must be understood that without the collaboration of the Lähui itself, the policies presented here come from an initial, individual comprehension and reasoning and may not be accepted nor agreed upon by other individual members of the Lähui. Keeping that in mind, the project team’s approach has been as objective as possible.

Identifying Lähui level policies meant identifying those traditional policies that were fundamentally Native Hawaiian – those very same policies that exemplify our identity as a unique group of peoples on Earth. Identifying Lähui level policies also meant identifying those traditional policies with strong connections to both contemporary and future needs of Native Hawaiians.

The process for identification required the ability to understand and employ traditional policies like nänä i ke kumu (look to the source). Project team member(s) strove to be as comprehensive as possible with guidance from traditional policies like ‘inā e lepo ke kumu wai, e hō‘ea ana ka lepo i kai (if the source of water is dirty, the muddy water will travel on).

Difficulties: Avoid Diminishing Hawaiian Culture. There is a saying, ua lehulehu a manomano ka ‘ikena a ka Hawai‘i (Great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people). The most difficult part of identifying Lähui level policies is having to account for the sheer volume of those that are imperative and then condensing them in a way that isn’t as overwhelming for the purpose of OHA governance.

The danger inherent in the distillation of cultural values, beliefs, principles that guide the formation of policy is in undermining the vastness and complexity of the culture itself. The danger, in essence, is the dumbing down of a culture and its people – and it is certainly a prominent issue faced by the Lähui Hawai‘i that stems from a time where the erasure of Native Hawaiian identity was itself a government policy.

In honoring the grand scope of knowledge, project team member(s) looked for policies that were as comprehensive and encompassing as possible. Even then, however, are principles and policies so intertwined that they are better off sometimes being left unidentified – this was no more true for the policy to aloha than it was for any other.
A Method to the Madness. Getting to the very core of a policy was necessary. To do so, this required a constant asking of “why” (or to search for a more precursory policy). For example, in identifying Ho’omau as a policy, the project team member had first identified widely accepted policies in the preservation, protection, and perpetuation of natural (‘āina, wai, etc.), cultural (heiau, ko’a, etc.), and social (‘ohana, ‘ōlelo, iwi kupuna, health, etc.) resources. So, why do we need to protect these things? Because it is a cultural value, a policy to mālama. But, why do we maintain this policy to mālama? For the survival of our people. Why? To persist as long as we possibly can because in our existence, we may have something to offer the world: so we must Ho’omau.

A Note on Time. Time is a critical notion in traditional Native Hawaiian beliefs. Certain overarching policies adopted, generally, by the Lāhui would not have any temporal constraints – they apply equally to our understanding of the past, present, and future. However, in certain beliefs, time wasn’t linear, the past was carried both in the present and future. Ka wā ma mua, ka wā ma hope.

Recommendations for Lāhui-Level Policies. As the project team member(s) were trying to gain an understanding of our Lāhui’s most prominent and most encompassing policies, we came to the realization that there was no simple way to express a policy bereft of its guiding principles/values/accessory policies that are often in accompaniment.

Ka ‘ōlelo no ke ola, i ka ‘ōlelo no ka make (in language/words there is life, in language/words there is death). We wanted to honor the wisdom of our kupuna by being as meaningful as we possibly could in the identification and expression of these policies.

Accordingly, we felt it necessary to develop some kind of preamble, an “expression of intent” that would encapsulate guiding principles and accessory policies that would further shape these identified Lāhui policies beyond their plain meaning. Truly, as our Lāhui advances with the policy to ‘imi ‘ike (seek knowledge), we wanted to be sure that such a policy would always be regarded and exercised with a high degree of veneration; assurances that we have learned from history and carry our traditions forward; and progress with optimal efficiency to the greatest heights – and it so it was, that we sought to include aloha, nānā i ke kumu, and kūlia i ka nu‘u as guiding principles and accessory policies to each of the Lāhui policies identified.

Finally, we felt it necessary to acknowledge the vast and seemingly infinite scope of knowledge possessed by the Lāhui, while also recognizing that this list of policies is a snapshot of one perspective – among many – and at a single instance of time – that may not align with other perspectives and may certainly change as the Lāhui continues to evolve.

Offered Expressions of Intent, Team Member A. We, as Lāhui Hawai‘i, are descendants of our ancestral lands from time immemorial and we share a common identity based on culture, language, traditions, history, and ancestry. We mālama our ‘āina and affirm our ancestral rights and kuleana to all lands, waters, and resources of our islands and surrounding seas of Ka Pae ‘Āina. We also recognize that our homelands also extend to where the Kanaka is. We are united in our desire to cultivate the full expression of our traditions, customs, innovations, and beliefs of our living culture.
These policies seem to promote *pono* policies and practices that protect and perpetuate our natural, cultural, and social resources, as well as the well-being of our people and the ‘āina that sustains us.

OHA recognizes that the issues that face our beneficiaries, as members of an indigenous groups with contemporary rights to self-determination because of our continued presence on the land for millennia, and a national group based on descent for the citizenry of the modern Hawaiian Kingdom founded in the mid-19th century, will evolve in complexity in ways that cannot be forecasted in the present day. These living policies are based on an important set of virtues: intellectual humility, a sense of the complexity of the problems faced in our society, a respect for the accumulated wisdom of the past, and a willingness to rethink when necessary and when constituent with those virtues. These foundations are also meant to address future needs to meet the challenges that are simultaneously posed by mainstream society and as indigenous peoples that continue to suffer systemic oppression from unresolved injustices.

Questions of identity are at the crux of struggles for land and power in Hawai‘i. The term “lāhui” provides a lens through which Hawaiian collective identity is understood and lived. In ʻōlelo Hawai‘i, lāhui refers to a great number of people, sharing a common connection and a collective identity. The prefix “lā-” can be a contracted form of “lau,” meaning leaf or a plant’s manner of leafing out, and it is often used as a shortened name of plants. “Lau” also means many or numerous and is often used to refer to an unquantifiable number of people or beings, as in the countless descendants. “Hui” can be used as both a noun, meaning a society, organization, association, or team, and a verb, meaning to join, unite, mix, or combine. Thus, the components of the word lāhui, suggest both a singular, organic body with branches that nourish the whole and a gathering of distinct, pre-existing elements combining to form a new entity. This definition privileges a lāhui that is constituted through direct action for aloha ʻāina and collective decision-making.

In fulfillment of its mandate to better the conditions of Native Hawaiians, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) recognizes these timeless policy positions that have allowed the Lāhui to triumphantly endure from time immemorial into the far unforeseeable future. In doing so, OHA further recognizes the complexities, dynamics, far-reach, and virtues embodied and interwoven within each of these policies like *aloha* and *nānā i ke kumu* (the maintained mindfulness of history and tradition) that serve to reinforce one another. Inherent in these policies is the philosophy of *nānā i ke kumu*, the value of well-being that is undeniably woven into everyone’s sense of belonging. Literally translated, *nānā i ke kumu* means to “look to the source.” Practicing self-reflection ensures the well-being of identity and intuition, intellect and emotion, values and beliefs, lessons learned and ancestral knowledge, all personal and professional alike.

**Offered Expressions of Intent, Team Member Z.** It is the year 2019, and the Lāhui, that is the coalescence of the body of the Native Hawaiian people, their culture, identity, values, beliefs, and aspirations, are continuously met by challenges both mirrored by mainstream society and reflective of those unique to a group of peoples who continue to struggle disproportionately against systemic oppression stemming from unresolved historical injustices.

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OHA understands that ua lehulehu a manomano ka ‘ikena a ka Hawai‘i (great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people) and the breadth and scope of what it is to be Native Hawaiian can never be delimited by any list of policies or values, and represents a single perspective, among countless perspectives, in no truer measurement of our further understanding that ‘aʻohe pau ka ‘ike i ka hālau hoʻokahi (not all knowledge is contained in a single school).

Policy Proposal and Analysis. The table below proposes five L-Lāhui level policies along with related descriptors and analysis.

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<td>“Long before the Western world began to speak of conservation, the Hawaiian child was taught the precept: if you uproot a plant or cut down a tree, plant a new one to replace it.” (Nānā i Ke Kumu, Vol 2, p.51)</td>
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| are related to their 'āina, to the natural forces of the world, and to kalo or taro, the staple food of the Hawaiian people. All are connected in a deep and profound way that infuses Hawaiian thought and is expressed in all facets of Hawaiian life. Thus, the principle of mālama is directly linked to conserving and protecting not only the land and its resources, but also humankind and the spiritual world. Devastating diseases and Western and Asian settler colonialism and the impacts of colonization (and forced assimilation) since as early as the late 18th century have impressed upon many Native Hawaiians the need to protect our way of existence from further decline. Cultural Resources

Iwi kūpuna (ancestral bones/burials), heiau, wahi pana (strored/legendary places), wahi kapu (sacred places), nā 'ike a me nā hana (cultural practices), historical resources. Natural Resources

ʻĀina (land resources), wai (fresh water resources), kai (marine resources), lewa (atmospheric resources), lewa mawaho (space), nā hōkū 'ae'a a me nā hōkū (planets and stars), nā lā'au a me nā holoholona (plants and animals), ua (rain), makani (wind); loko i'a; konohiki fishing rights Social Resources

ʻOhana (family), kūpuna (ancestors/elders), ʻōpio (youths), kaiāulu (community), ola (health), lā'au lapa'au; ʻōlelo Hawai'i (Hawaiian language), naʻauao (education), mental health, criminal justice Additional Example Policy Areas

Climate change; ocean management; renewable energy E Hoʻomau (to perpetuate) | In as much as it is important to mālama (protect) our resources, it is equally important to perpetuate those resources. To hoʻomau (perpetuate) is a policy at the very core of Native Hawaiian existence. In fact, it | Make no ke kalo a ola i ka palili (the kalo may die, but it lives on in the young plants |
can be said that the very need to protect and maintain our vast resources and to survive is accompanied by the need to perpetuate – to continue to live on into the future.

Newspaper articles from 1900 in the Hawaiian nationalist newspaper, Ke Aloha Aina, discuss the concept of ho'omau in relation to protests to the US’ annexation of Hawaii. In protests against annexation, the lähui Hawai’i united in unprecedented numbers under the banner of aloha ‘āina (love for their land, their nation, and their people) to draw on the strength such feelings had given them collectively over the previous seven years since the overthrow of the monarchy in 1893. These actions should not be construed as nationalism in which the people see themselves as superior to other races but, rather, as resistance to the loss of land, identity, culture, and political power. Their love for the land was based on the traditional familial relationships to the ‘āina.

These articles provide us an understanding of who our kūpuna were, their concerns and goals, and the nature of their struggles during a critical time a hundred years ago when Kanaka Maoli consciously and purposefully attempted to exercise their political will within the United States system. This was a time of great morning for the lähui. At the same time, Hawai’i was beginning to be overwhelmed by soldiers and settlers from the US. The events described and discussed in these articles express a time of hope for the lähui, not yet crushed by the reality of being a numerically powerless underrepresented peoples within the United States, nor by the oligarchy’s looming metamorphosis into the Big Five, the alliance of large corporations that continue to monopolize Hawai’i’s economy and politics. These articles attempt to comfort fellow lähui members, urging them to continue in their love for their nation, as instructed by Joseph Nawahi on his deathbed in 1896: “E ho’omau i ke kūpa’a no ke aloha i ka ‘āina.” Ma kēia mau kumu a me nā kumu aku i koe, e ho’omau ai kākou i ke kūpa’a ana.

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<td>The policy itself exemplifies traditional advancement through communal unity and the bringing together of communal resources – it forms the basis of so many principles traditionally backed by Native Hawaiian leadership in the most trying of times. This unity-backed progress has saw to the settlement of the Hawaiian Islands by the first Kanaka Maoli; the survival of Kanaka Maoli for millennia; the establishment of the Hawaiian Kingdom government; and the rapid adoption of technology.</td>
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<td><strong>E ‘Imi ‘Ike</strong>&lt;br&gt;(to seek knowledge)</td>
<td>Traditionally, the lack of knowledge was a severe limitation on a person’s potential. Limitless knowledge meant limitless potential. As acknowledged by the 19th century Native Hawaiian historian, Kepelino, the Native Hawaiian people were often fondly referred to as Havai‘ī‘imiloa, for their inclination toward responsible innovation. History has chronicled our rapid social-political-economic and technological advancement – notably in national security, education, healthcare, the arts and sciences, and governance. In so much as we are a people that carry our traditions with us, we are ever-evolving, and ever-seeking new frontiers.</td>
<td>He lawai’a no ke kai pāpa’u, he po’opa’a ka i’a e loa’a. (a fisherman in the shallow sea can only catch po’opa’a) (Pukui, ‘Ōlelo No’eau, 726)</td>
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#### Permitted Interaction Group Report
##### L-Lāhui Level Policies

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<td>One of the policies instituted by King David Kalākaua.</td>
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**E Ho‘oulu Lāhui (to grow the Nation)**

The policy to *ho'oulu lāhui* is said to have been initiated by King Kalākaua at a time when the Native Hawaiian population was decreasing due primarily to foreign-introduced diseases.

Today, the concept of *lāhui* has expanded beyond simply the identification of a body of Native Hawaiians, but also extends to our culture, identity, values, beliefs, and aspirations. To grow the nation is to productively expand every facet of our society, politics, economics, and environment.

**Example Policy Areas**

Governance; Native Hawaiian economy; innovative Hawaiian business ownership; food security and sustainability; real estate, land, and resource acquisition and expansion; wealth; economic self-sufficiency; loans, grants, and sponsorships; asset limits; international relations; identity; culture;...

**NOTE:** OHA past policy areas in Values and Mana, ‘Ōlelo Hawai‘i, Culture, ‘Āina, Wai, Native Rights, Iwi Kūpuna, ‘Ohana and Community, Wahi Pana, Indigenous Rights, International Engagement, Ocean Management, and Climate Change can undoubtedly be incorporated under one or more the above-listed recommended policies. This is not to suggest that the above list is a comprehensive list of Lāhui policies – it is not. The intent here is to showcase what the project team believes to be certain Lāhui-level policies in their broadest and most encompassing form.
VII. PROJECT ACTIVITY – Draft L-Lāhui Level Policies

A preamble for each of the policies was offered as well as the original illustration below.

Preamble. In looking to the wisdom of our kupuna, ua lehulehu a manomano ka ‘ikena a ka Hawai’i (great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people); we have put forth these principles knowing that we could not foresee all that is to come in the future, ‘a’ohe pau ka ‘ike i ka hālau ho’okahi (not all knowledge is contained in a single school). These policies are living and are meant to be a guide for the leaders of today and tomorrow always mindful that aloha, nānā i ke kumu (the maintained mindfulness of history and tradition, and kūlia i ka nu‘u (strive for the greatest heights) are ever present in all we endeavor to do for the lāhui.

Illustration. A team member’s original illustration is offered below depicting an ahupua‘a—a land division usually extending from the uplands to the sea, so called because the boundary was marked by a heap (ahu) of stones surmounted by an image of a pig (pua‘a), or because a pig or other tribute was laid on the altar as tax to the chief. The landlord or owner of an ahupua‘a might be a konohiki—headman of an ahupua‘a land division under the chief; land or fishing rights under control of the konohiki.7

7 http://wehewehe.org/, retrieved 5/9/2019
Refer to Appendix A which provides the following draft L-Lähui level policies:

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VIII. PROJECT ACTIVITY – Harmonize - L-Lāhui Level Policies

In addition to the actual L-Lāhui level policies, a “policy of policies”, or a policy regarding the Development, Maintenance and Management of Policies was developed to ensure that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) has well-developed, organized, understandable and relevant policies that: support the OHA’s mission and vision; align to the Board Governance Framework; achieve accountability by identifying the responsible offices; and provide clear and concise guidance. The policy addresses the process for developing new and maintaining and managing all of the OHA’s L-Lāhui, T-Trustee and C-CEO level policies. An effective governance framework considers that policies are modified from time to time for clarification of facts, circumstances, policy content, processes or organizational changes.

Refer to Appendix B for the actual policy as well as a policy template.
IX. BOARD GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK NEXT STEPS

Based on the approved project charter, the initial project plan and effective BOT implementation mechanisms, the PIG recommends the BOT implement the Board Governance Framework elements via the following newly formed and executed PIGs:

A. Development of L-Lāhui level policies – proposed action at the May 30, 2019 BOT meeting;
B. Alignment and update of existing BOT By-Laws – proposed formation at the May 30, 2019 BOT meeting;
C. Development of T-Trustee level policies;
D. Development of C-CEO level policies; and
E. Alignment and update of existing Board governance documents (e.g., Executive Policy Manual, BOT Operating Manual).

In addition to the above proposed plans, the following PIG is proposed for formation to investigate the incorporation of completed and approved work products of the following PIGs: Governance, L-Lāhui Level Policies, Board of Trustees By-Laws, T-Level Policies, C-Level Policies, and Alignment and Update of Existing Board Governance documents.

Refer to Appendix C for project reference documents.
X. **MAHALO**

Since its approval in April 2019, Trustee PIG members and staff, Administration and staff have worked diligently to collectively bring this report and recommendations to the BOT.

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----- END OF REPORT -----
APPENDIX A – DRAFT L-Lāhui Level Policies

EMĀLAMA

Effective Date: Original effective date of policy - TBD

Subject: Lāhui-level policy.

Date Reviewed/Revised: Date of last revision or review of policy - TBD

Scope: The scope of this policy encompasses one of the five policies advanced by the Lāhui, as perceived by OHA.

Next Scheduled Review Date: Date of next scheduled review or revision, cannot exceed five years.

Responsible Organizational Unit: Board

Policy Administrator: Board Chair

I. POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT

In looking to the wisdom of our kūpuna, ua lehulehu a manomano ka ʻike kane ʻaʻa Hawaiʻi (great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people), we have put forth these principles knowing that we could not foresee all that is to come in the future, ‘a’ohe pau ka ʻike i ka ʻālau hoʻokahi (not all knowledge is contained in a single school). These policies are living and are meant to be a guide for the leaders of today and tomorrow, always mindful that aloha, nānā i ke kumu (the maintained mindfulness of history and tradition), and kūlia i ka nuʻu (strive for the greatest heights) are ever present in all that we endeavor to do for the Lāhui.

E Mālama, or more specifically, e mālama i ko mau kumuwaiwai nui (to protect our greatest resources) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lāhui’s continued endeavor to protect our greatest social, cultural/historical, and natural resources.

II. DEFINITIONS

E Mālama means to protect or to care for.

Lāhui. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lāhui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lāhui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lāhui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

III. MOʻOKŪʻAUHAU

Rooted in traditional Native Hawaiian culture and beliefs are concepts of sustainability and self-sufficiency. Devastating diseases and both Western and Asian settler colonialism and the impacts of colonization (and forced assimilation) since as early as the late 18th Century have impressed upon many Native Hawaiians the need to protect our way of existence from further decline. These principles reinforcing the policy of protection is deeply rooted in Native Hawaiian society; it is the duty of youth to honor, love, and serve their elders. It is the reciprocal duty of
the elders to care for, protect, and hānai the youth. This reciprocal-familial relationship extends
between Native Hawaiians and every facet of the world and life around them – from their
interaction with the natural world to society and even spiritualism/religion.

Hānau ka ʻaina, hānau ke aliʻi, hānau ke kānaka (born is the land, born is the chief, born are the
people). (Pukui, ʻŌlelo Noʻeau, 466).

“Long before the Western world began to speak of conservation, the Hawaiian child was taught
the precept: if you uproot a plant or cut down a tree, plant a new one to replace it.” (Nānā i Ke
Kumu, Vol 2, p.51).

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs collectively maintain the sole authority to amend this
policy subsequent to majority Board approval.

IV. RELATED POLICIES

Example Social Resources Policy Areas: ʻOhana (family), kūpuna (ancestors/elders), ʻōpio
(youths), kaiāulu (community), ola (health), lāʻau lapaʻau; ʻōlelo Hawaiʻi (Hawaiian language),
naʻauao (education), mental health, criminal justice, etc.

Example Cultural Resources Policy Areas: Iwi kūpuna (ancestral bones/burials), heiau, wahi
pana (storied/legendary places), wahi kapu (sacred places), nā ʻike a me nā hana (cultural
practices), historical resources, etc.

Examples of Natural Resources Policy Areas: ʻĀina (land resources), wai (fresh water
resources), kai (marine resources), lewa (atmospheric resources), lewa mawaho (space), nā hōkū
ʻaeʻa a me nā hōkū (planets and stars), nā lāʻau a me nā holoholona (plants and animals), ua
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VI. EXHIBITS

None
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E Ho‘omau, or more specifically, e ho‘omau i ka lāhui Hawai‘i (to perpetuate the Hawaiian nation) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lāhui’s continued endeavor to persist into the far future as a body of people united by common descent, history, culture, and language.

II. DEFINITIONS

E Ho‘omau means to perpetuate or to persist/continue on.

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III. MO‘OKU‘AUHAU

To ho‘omau is a policy at the very core of Native Hawaiian existence. In fact, it can be said that the very need to protect and maintain our vast resources and to survive is accompanied by the need to perpetuate – to continue to live on into the future.
Nüepapa articles from 1900 in the Hawaiian nationalist newspaper, *Ke Aloha Aina*, discuss the concept of ho'omau in relation to protests against the United States’ annexation of Hawai'i; the Lāhui united in unprecedented numbers under the banner of *aloha ʻāina* (love for their land, their nation, and their people) to draw on the strength such feelings had given them collectively over the previous seven years since the overthrow of the monarchy in 1893.

These articles provide us an understanding of who our kūpuna were, their concerns and goals, and the nature of their struggles during a critical time. These articles attempt to comfort fellow lāhui members, urging them to continue in their love for their nation, as instructed by Joseph Nāwahī on his deathbed in 1896: “E ho‘omau i ke kūpa‘a no ke aloha i ka ʻāina.” (*Ke Aloha Aina*, Mar. 3, 1900, at 4).

*Make no ke kalo a ola i ka palili* (the kalo may die, but it lives on in the young plants that it produces) (Pukui, ‘*Ôlelo No’eau*, 2107).

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs collectively maintain the sole authority to amend this policy subsequent to majority Board approval.

IV. RELATED POLICIES

**Example Social Resources Policy Areas:** 'Ohana (family), kūpuna (ancestors/elders), ʻōpio (youths), kaiāulu (community), ola (health), lā‘au lapa‘au; ʻōlelo Hawai‘i (Hawaiian language), na‘auao (education), mental health, criminal justice, etc.

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E pūpūkahī i holomua (to unite in order to progress) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lāhui’s effectiveness in advancing through united endeavor.

II. DEFINITIONS

E pūpūkahī i holomua means to unite in order to progress.

Lāhui. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lāhui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lāhui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lāhui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

III. MO‘OKU‘AUHAU

The policy itself exemplifies traditional advancement through communal unity and the bringing together of communal resources – it forms the basis of so many principles traditionally backed by Native Hawaiian leadership in the most trying of times.

Not solely limited to communal advancement, pūpūkahī i holomua has been enshrined within the Hawaiian Kingdom’s foreign relations endeavors that have brought prosperity to the Hawaiian Islands and the Native Hawaiian people.
This unity-backed progress saw to the settlement of the Hawaiian Islands by the first Kanaka Maoli; the survival of Kanaka Maoli for millennia; the establishment of the Hawaiian Kingdom government; and the rapid adoption of technology.

‘A’ohe loa’ a i ka noho wale (nothing is gained by idleness) (Pukui, ‘Ōlelo No’eau, 173).

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs collectively maintain the sole authority to amend this policy subsequent to majority Board approval.

IV. RELATED POLICIES

Example Policy Areas: Kūkulu pilina; Economic growth; economic self-sufficiency; international engagement; home ownership; housing stability; community and real estate development; etc.

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VI. EXHIBITS

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APPENDIX A – DRAFT L-Lähui Level Policies

E 'IMI 'IKE

Effective Date: Original effective date of policy - TBD

Subject: Lähui-level policy.

Date Reviewed/Revised: Date of last revision or review of policy - TBD

Scope: The scope of this policy encompasses one of the five policies advanced by the Lähui, as perceived by OHA.

Next Scheduled Review Date: Date of next scheduled review or revision, cannot exceed five years.

Responsible Organizational Unit: Board

Policy Administrator: Board Chair

I. POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT

In looking to the wisdom of our kūpuna, ua lehulehu a manomano ka 'ikenana a ka Hawai'i (great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people), we have put forth these principles knowing that we could not foresee all that is to come in the future, 'a'ohe pau ka 'ike i ka hālau ho'okahi (not all knowledge is contained in a single school). These policies are living and are meant to be a guide for the leaders of today and tomorrow, always mindful that aloha, nānā i ke kumu (the maintained mindfulness of history and tradition), and kūlia i ka nu'u (strive for the greatest heights) are ever present in all that we endeavor to do for the Lähui.

E ‘Imi ‘Ike (to seek knowledge) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lähui’s continuous seeking of knowledge to improve its status, adapt to necessary change, and to progress both responsibly and most effectively.

II. DEFINITIONS

E ‘Imi ‘Ike means to seek knowledge.

Lähui. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lähui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lähui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lähui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

III. MO‘OKU‘AUHAU

Traditionally, the lack of knowledge was a severe limitation on a person’s potential. Limitless knowledge meant limitless potential. As acknowledged by the 19th century Native Hawaiian historian, Kepelino, the Native Hawaiian people were often fondly referred to as Hawai‘i‘imiloa, for their inclination toward responsible innovation.
The search for knowledge has always been intrinsically tied to advancement and innovation. Throughout their existence, Native Hawaiians have exhibited their continuous search for knowledge through their achievements and prominence in world exploration, technological adaptation, land and resource management, and much more.

History has chronicled our rapid social-political-economic and technological advancement—notably in national security, education, healthcare, the arts and sciences, and governance. In so much as we are a people that carry our traditions with us, we are ever-evolving, and ever-seeking new frontiers.

*He lawai’a no ke kai pāpa‘u, he po‘opa’a ka i‘a e loa‘a.* (a fisherman in the shallow sea can only catch po‘opa‘a) (Pukui, ‘Ōlelo No‘eau, 726).

**IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**

Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs collectively maintain the sole authority to amend this policy subsequent to majority Board approval.

**IV. RELATED POLICIES**

*Example Policy Areas:* Education; Innovation; Native Hawaiian rights; indigenous rights; technology; emerging sectors; Artificial Intelligence and automation; Proactiveness; innovation; technological advancement; trade and emerging skill development; space exploration; etc.

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**VI. EXHIBITS**

None
I. POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT

In looking to the wisdom of our kūpuna, ua lehulehu a manomo ka ‘ikena a ka Hawai‘i (great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people), we have put forth these principles knowing that we could not foresee all that is to come in the future, ‘a‘ohe pau ka ‘ike i ka hālau ho‘okahi (not all knowledge is contained in a single school). These policies are living and are meant to be a guide for the leaders of today and tomorrow, always mindful that aloha, nāna‘ī i ke kumu (the maintained mindfulness of history and tradition), and kūlia i ka nu‘u (strive for the greatest heights) are ever present in all that we endeavor to do for the Lāhui.

E Ho‘oul Lāhui (to grow the Nation) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lāhui’s continuous endeavor to grow and evolve and in accordance with principles of self-determination.

II. DEFINITIONS

E Ho‘oul Lāhui means to seek grow the Nation.

Lāhui. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lāhui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lāhui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lāhui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

III. MO‘OKU‘AUHAU

In his campaign for the throne and throughout his rule, King David Kal‘kaua maintained the slogan “E Ho‘oul Lāhui.” Originally, efforts to increase the nation were compelled by the persistent decline of the ‘ōiwi (native) population that began with the arrival of European foreigners in the latter 18th Century.
"Increasing the nation" became a rallying point among the ali‘i. At its core, the push to ho‘oulu lāhui was inherently connected to procreation and proliferating the ‘ōiwi population. Yet, Kalākaua’s platform and rule also promoted the concept of increasing the nation in a variety of other capacities that speak to the kind of lāhui that he envisioned and was compelled to support in line with his genealogical kuleana. Kalākaua’s rule allowed and demanded space for ‘ōiwi ideas and practices to expand and flourish in both public and private spaces.

Increasing the cultural attributes of the lāhui reflect a framework wherein conceptions of the past are directly tied to and inclusive of the contributions made by the ancestors who lived before us, appended by those living in the present, and built upon by our children in the future. In as much as Kalākaua had sought the protection and proliferation of the Native Hawaiian population, he had also encouraged the increase of Native Hawaiian knowledge through the cultural and political institutions that he had created and through public performances and displays of his leadership.

Today, the concept of lāhui has expanded beyond simply the identification of a body of Native Hawaiians, but also extends to our culture, identity, values, beliefs, and aspirations. To grow the nation is to productively expand every facet of our society, politics, economics, and environment.

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs collectively maintain the sole authority to amend this policy subsequent to majority Board approval.

IV. RELATED POLICIES

*Example Policy Areas:* Governance; Native Hawaiian economy; innovative Hawaiian business ownership; food security and sustainability; real estate, land, and resource acquisition and expansion; wealth; economic self-sufficiency; loans, grants, and sponsorships; asset limits; international relations; identity; culture; etc.

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I. POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) has well-developed, organized, understandable and relevant policies that: support the OHA’s mission and vision; align to the Board Governance Framework; achieve accountability by identifying the responsible offices; and provide clear and concise guidance. This policy addresses the process for developing new and maintaining and managing all of the OHA’s L-Lähui, T-Trustee and C-CEO level policies. An effective governance framework considers that policies are modified from time to time for clarification of facts, circumstances, policy content, processes or organizational changes.

II. DEFINITIONS

Governance. Establishment of policies, and continuous monitoring of their proper implementation, by the members of the governing body of an organization. It includes the mechanisms required to balance the powers of the members (with the associated accountability), and their primary duty of enhancing the prosperity and viability of the organization.

Policy. Prudence or wisdom in the management of affairs; management or procedure based primarily on material interest; a definite course or method of action selected from among alternatives and in light of given conditions to guide and determine present and future decisions; and a high-level overall plan embracing the general goals and acceptable procedures especially of a governmental body.

Lähui. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lähui,”

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9 Responsible for the programmatic, functional, or administrative areas affected by the policy/procedure.
10 http://www.businessdictionary.com/definition/governance.html, retrieved 1/1/2019
L- Lāhui Level Policies. Articulates the Hawaiian cultural foundation of the organization as a basis for the *kaumaha* (heavy weight, sadness) or significant *kuleana* (responsibility) to normalize Hawaiian language, protect and exercise native rights regarding ‘āina, water, wahi pana and ʻiwī kupuna, strengthen ʻohana and kaiʻulu, perpetuate Hawaiian culture, knowledge and practices and engage in global, international indigenous contexts. Identifying Lāhui level policies meant identifying those traditional policies that were fundamentally Native Hawaiian – those very same policies that exemplify our identity as a unique group of peoples on Earth. Identifying Lāhui level policies also meant identifying those traditional policies with strong connections to both contemporary and future needs of Native Hawaiians.

T-Trustee Level Policies. Articulates broad, systemic, strategic, overarching policies that are attributed to OHA’s Trustee role as a result of the Constitution and Chapter 10 purposes and duties (e.g., fiduciary, care, obedience, code of ethics).

C-CEO Level Policies. Guides and directs operations such as compensation, recruitment, procurement, contracting, data retention, asset protection, risk management, etc.

Procedure. A procedure is a guideline or series of interrelated steps taken to help implement the policy.

Policy Initiator. The Policy Initiator is either the Board or Chief Executive Officer (CEO) that develops a policy proposal (e.g., addition, change, deletion).

Policy Owner. The Policy Owner is the Board for L- Lāhui Level and T-Trustee Level policies. The CEO is the Policy Owner for the C-CEO Level policies. The Policy Owner’s jurisdiction covers the subject matter of the policy.

Stakeholder. Stakeholders include individuals, families, entities, organizations, communities that are both internal (e.g., staff, administration, Trustees) and external (e.g., grantees, collaborators, Aliʻi Trusts, State government) to the OHA, that are affected by the policy.

Policy Administrator. The Policy Administrator is the organizational unit and its leader (i.e., Board, Chair; Administration, CEO) responsible for the programmatic, functional, or administrative areas affected by the policy/procedure.
The Board Governance Framework consists of the following five elements: 1) Identity; 2) Values and Mana; 3) Statutory Basis; 4) Policies; and 5) Supporting Documents and Practices (Operations), as approved by the Board of Trustees via Action Item BOT #19-04; and is the genesis and origination point of this policy.

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY
The authority to approve new or changes to existing L-Lähui and T-Trustee level policies is vested in and retained by the Board of Trustees (BOT).

The BOT delegates to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO): 1) Implementation of this policy and its programmatic, functional or administrative impacts; and 2) Responsibility to initiate the process to develop new, and maintain, manage and change existing policies; and 3) Authorization of C-CEO level policies.

IV. RELATED POLICIES
The scope of this policy applies to all policy types—L- Lähui Level, T-Trustee Level and C-CEO Level policies.

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VI. EXHIBITS
The attached Policy Template presents policies in a format and consistently identifies applicable elements.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OFFICE OF HUMAN AFFAIRS
APPENDIX B – DRAFT Development, Management and Maintenance of Policies

TEMPLATE

Subject: First word of Subject title should be a key word for locating the policy.

Scope: List span of policy. (To whom or what does this policy apply)

Responsible Office: Area or department responsible for implementation and/or interpretation of policy.

Effective Date: Original effective date of policy.

Date Reviewed/Revised: Date of last revision or review of policy.

Next Scheduled Review Date: Date of next scheduled review or revision. Cannot exceed three years.

Policy Administrator: OHA Executive responsible for the programmatic, functional, or administrative areas affected by the policy/procedure.

I. POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT

Provide a brief introduction stating the policy or position and the basis or rationale for the policy/procedure.

II. DEFINITION

Define any terms with specific meaning for the policy

III. MO‘OKÜ‘AUHAU

Include cultural and organizational mo‘okū‘auhau of how the policy statement came into development

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Describe process to be followed, including any required controls and approval levels; what is delegated to Administration/CEO and what is not and retained by the Trustees

IV. RELATED POLICIES

List related policies, if applicable

V. CONTACTS

List the phone number and email/web address of the office and/or person who is the subject matter expert on this policy and can answer questions regarding application and interpretation of the policy.

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IV. New Business
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OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
Action Item
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 30, 2019

Action Item Issue: Approve L-Lāhui Level Policies: (1) E Mālama (to protect); (2) E Hoʻomau (to perpetuate); (3) E Pūpūkahi i Holomua (to unite in order to progress); (4) E ʻImi ʻIke (to seek knowledge); (5) E Hoʻoulu Lāhui (to grow the Lāhui) as detailed in Attachments 2 to 6, respectively.

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Reviewed by: Brendon Kaupelī‘aina Lee
Chair, Permitted Interaction Group
I. Action Item:

Approve L-Lāhui Level Policies: (1) E Mālama (to protect); (2) E Ho‘omau (to perpetuate); (3) E Pūpūkahi i Holomua (to unite in order to progress); (4) E ‘Imi ‘Ike (to seek knowledge); (5) E Ho‘oulu Lāhui (to grow the Lāhui).

II. Issue:

Whether or not the Board of Trustees will approve the L-Lāhui Level Policies developed by the Permitted Interaction Group, consistent with Action Item BOT #19-04, in accordance with Hawai‘i Revised Statutes§92-2.5(b), to investigate the development of L-Lāhui policies for OHA’s Board Governance Framework.

III. Discussion:

1. Board Governance Framework. In January 2019, the Board approved the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to: Investigate various elements of governance frameworks and models, including but not limited to cultural, indigenous, native, national and international contexts. The PIG was established with: 1) Trustee Brendon Kaile‘aina Lee as Project Sponsor and Chair; 2) Trustee Colette Machado as Business Process Owner and Vice Chair of the PIG; and 3) Trustees Robert Lindsey and John Waihee as members. The PIG was supported by Trustee Machado, Lee, Lindsey and Waihee’s Aides; and Administration, Ka Pouhana, Kamana’opono Crabbe, Ka Pou Nui, Sylvia Hussey and staff. The PIG presented its final report and recommendations to the Board of Trustees (BOT) at its March 28, 2019 meeting; and on April 4, 2019, via Action Item BOT# 19-04, the BOT approved the five elements of OHA’s Board Governance Framework: 1) Identity; 2)

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Values and Mana; 3) Statutory Basis; 4) Policies; and 5) Supporting Documents and Practices (Operations).

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Permitted Interaction Group - Term/Duration. The term of the Permitted Interaction Group expires at the completion of the assigned task, or at the discretion of the Chair of the Board of Trustees, subject to later adjustment, but in no event later than May 31, 2019.

3. L-Lâhui Level Policies PIG Work. Beginning with the April 4, 2019 formation, the deliverables for the PIG included L-Lâhui level policies and standard operating procedures for policy development and maintenance (i.e., a policy on policies). More detailed information regarding the work of the PIG is contained in the May 2019 report attached and incorporated by reference to this Action Item and the following side illustrates the overall plan.

4. L-Lâhui Level Policies PIG Report. Attached to this Action Item is the May 2019 report of the PIG as presented at the May 16, 2019 BOT meeting. In addition, beginning with each formed and completed PIG, working definitions were identified and used to aid the work of the PIG. Definitions are NOT intended to be THE, one and only, all encompassing, singular definition, but a working definition to consistently guide the cascaded work of the Board Governance Framework. The following working definitions were identified and are in use thus far:

Governance\(^3\). Establishment of policies, and continuous monitoring of their proper implementation, by the members of the governing body of an organization. It includes the mechanisms required to balance the powers of the members (with the associated accountability), and their primary duty of enhancing the prosperity and viability of the organization.

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. . . the native connective tissue to forebears who used these islands superbly for the production of goods and the enjoyment of life.” The following working definition for lähui was informed by our past and is meant to be inclusive of broad concepts and not exclusive to specific definitions.

Lähui5. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lähui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lähui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lähui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

5 Working definition developed and agreed upon by the project team PIG

5. Preamble. After drafting the L-Lähui Level Policies, the project team felt a preamble was needed to contextualize the past and the future of the drafted policies, consistent with a Hawaiian perspective. Accordingly, the following is offered and incorporated into the policy documents:

In looking to the wisdom of our kūpuna, ua lehulehu a manomano ka ‘ikena a ka Hawai‘i (great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people), we have put forth these principles knowing that we could not foresee all that is to come in the future, ‘a‘ohe pau ka ‘ike i ka hālau ho‘okahi (not all knowledge is contained in a single school). These policies are living and are meant to be a guide for the leaders of today and tomorrow, always mindful that aloha, nānā i ke kumu (the maintained mindfulness of history and tradition), and kūlia i ka nu‘u (strive for the greatest heights) are ever present in all that we endeavor to do for the Lähui.”

6. Mo‘okū‘auhau6. In his campaign for the throne and throughout his rule, King David Kala‘kaua maintained the slogan “E Ho‘oulu Lähui.” Originally, efforts to increase the nation were compelled by the persistent decline of the ‘ōiwi (native) population that began with the arrival of European foreigners in the latter 18th Century.

“Increasing the nation” became a rallying point among the ali‘i. At its core, the push to ho‘oulu lähui was inherently connected to procreation and proliferating the ‘ōiwi population. Yet, Kalākaua’s platform and rule also promoted the concept of increasing the nation in a variety of other capacities that speak to the kind of lähui that he envisioned and was compelled to support in line with his genealogical kuleana. Kalākaua’s rule allowed and demanded space for ‘ōiwi ideas and practices to expand and flourish in both public and private spaces.

Increasing the cultural attributes of the lähui reflect a framework wherein conceptions of the past are directly tied to and inclusive of the contributions made by the ancestors who lived before us, appended by those living in the present, and built upon by our children in the future. In as much as Kalākaua had sought the protection and proliferation of the Native Hawaiian population, he had also encouraged the increase of Native Hawaiian knowledge through the cultural and

6 http://wchewehe.org/, retrieved 5/19/2019
political institutions that he had created and through public performances and displays of his leadership.

Today, the concept of Lāhui has expanded beyond simply the identification of a body of Native Hawaiians, but also extends to our culture, identity, values, beliefs, and aspirations. To grow the nation is to productively expand every facet of our society, politics, economics, and environment.

7. **Umbrella Policies.** The project team also noted that L-Lāhui Level Policies, function as umbrella policies which provide room and space for the further articulation of social, cultural and natural resources policy areas. Examples are provided below.

*Example Social Resources Policy Areas:* ‘Ohana (family), kūpuna (ancestors/elders), ‘ōpio (youths), kaiaulu (community), ola (health), lā‘au lapa‘au; ‘ōlelo Hawai‘i (Hawaiian language), na‘auao (education), mental health, criminal justice, etc.

*Example Cultural Resources Policy Areas:* Iwi kupuna (ancestral bones/burials), heiau, wahi pana (storied/legendary places), wahi kapu (sacred places), nā ‘ike a me nā hana (cultural practices), historical resources, etc.

*Examples of Natural Resources Policy Areas:* ‘Āina (land resources), wai (fresh water resources), ka‘i (marine resources), lewa (atmospheric resources), lewa mawaho (space), nā hōkū ‘ae‘a a me nā hōkū (planets and stars), nā lā‘au a me nā holoholona (plants and animals), ua (rain), makani (wind), loko i‘a, konohiki fishing rights, etc.

8. **Proposed L-Lāhui Level Policies.** The details of the developed policies, (1) E Mālama (to protect); (2) E Ho‘omau (to perpetuate); (3) E Pūpūkahī i Holomua (to unite in order to progress); (4) E ‘Imi ‘Ike (to seek knowledge); (5) E Ho‘oulu Lāhui (to grow the Lāhui) are found in Attachments 2 to 6, respectively.

**IV. Funding Source:**

Not applicable, no dedicated funding needed to approve L-Lāhui Level Policies of the Board Governance Framework.

**V. Recommended Action:**

Approve L-Lāhui Level Policies: (1) E Mālama (to protect); (2) E Ho‘omau (to perpetuate); (3) E Pūpūkahī i Holomua (to unite in order to progress); (4) E ‘Imi ‘Ike (to seek knowledge); (5) E Ho‘oulu Lāhui (to grow the Lāhui) as detailed in Attachments 2 to 6, respectively.
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VI. Timeframe:

Immediate action is recommended to ensure that the following newly formed and executed PIGs (subject to BOT approval) can be launched to “operationalize” the framework elements no later than December 31, 2019:

1. Development of L-Lāhui level policies – Action Items BOT #19-05 (April 4, 2019) and #19-06 (on the May 30, 2019 BOT agenda);
2. Alignment and update of existing BOT By-Laws – Action Item BOT #19-07 (on the May 30, 2019 BOT agenda);
3. Development of T-Trustee level policies - TBD;
4. Development of C-CEO level policies - TBD; and
5. Incorporation of completed and approved work products of the Board Governance Framework and alignment and update of existing Board governance documents - Action Item BOT #19-08 (on the May 30, 2019 BOT agenda).

VII. Attachments:

2. E Mālama (to protect)
3. E Ho‘omau (to perpetuate)
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I. **OVERVIEW**

Two thousand eighteen (2018) marked the end of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs’ (OHA or Organization) strategic plan period, and several years of challenges within the organization, hampering the organization’s abilities to more intently apply and deploy resources to “better the conditions of native Hawaiians”. In the past 24 months, the following have undermined effective governance at OHA:

- **People.** Board of Trustees (BOT) interactions among themselves, with regulatory agencies (e.g., Ethics Commission, Attorney General’s office), with Administration (including staff), and beneficiaries and stakeholders have diverted strategic energy, focus, time and dollars from mission critical and aligned responsibilities.

- **Policies and Plans.** Un-implemented strategic policies and plans (e.g., Post 2018 Strategic Plan, including implementation, Financial Sustainability Plan, Debt Policy, Hawaii Direct Assets Policy, LLCs) have hampered the organization’s ability to advance mission critical and aligned strategies.

- **Procedures and Practices.** Audits—initiated or triggered by BOT interactions and behaviors, and completed in the normal course of regulatory and statutory requirements (e.g., Chapter 10)—have diverted trust resources (e.g., time and dollars) and highlighted procedure and practice improvements, respectively.

Given the changes and experiences in the last 24 months within the organization, the need for strengthening governance can be synthesized to a need:

- To improve the image, brand, credibility and standing in the community of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs;

- To demonstrate understanding of and accountability to the statutory, fiduciary and trust organizational responsibilities of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs via codified policies, procedures and practices;

- For explicit clarity in the roles, responsibilities and accountabilities of the Board of Trustees and Administration (including staff);

- For explicit and intentional clarity in the purposes, direction and strategic planning and implementation efforts post 2018; and

- To strengthen the organization’s ability to advance mission critical and aligned strategies.

The Board of Trustees (BOT) is committed to strengthening OHA’s governance framework, structure, policies, procedures and practices to more intently apply and deploy resources to “better the conditions of native Hawaiians”.
II. PERMITTED INTERACTION GROUP – Board Governance Framework

Statutory Basis. In accordance with HRS, CHAPTER 92, PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS AND RECORDS §92-2.5 (b) Permitted interactions of members, (b) Two or more members of a board, but less than the number of members which would constitute a quorum for the board, may be assigned to: (1) Investigate a matter relating to the official business of their board; provided that: (A) The scope of the investigation and the scope of each member’s authority are defined at a meeting of the board; (B) All resulting findings and recommendations are presented to the board at a meeting of the board; and (C) Deliberation and decision making on the matter investigated, if any, occurs only at a duly noticed meeting of the board held subsequent to the meeting at which the findings and recommendations of the investigation were presented to the board; or (2) Present, discuss, or negotiate any position which the board has adopted at a meeting of the board; provided that the assignment is made and the scope of each member’s authority is defined at a meeting of the board prior to the presentation, discussion, or negotiation.

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Five Elements of the Board Governance Framework. Via Action Item BOT #19-04, the Board approved the five elements of OHA’s Board Governance Framework: 1) Identity; 2) Values and Mana; 3) Statutory Basis; 4) Policies; and 5) Supporting Documents and Practices (Operations).

Subsequent Permitted Interaction Groups. Included in the final report, the PIG recommended implementation of the Board Governance Framework elements via the following sequenced, subsequent, newly formed, approved and executed PIGs:

a. Development of L-Lāhui level policies;
b. Alignment and update of existing BOT By-Laws;
c. Development of T-Trustee level policies;
d. Development of C-CEO level policies; and

e. Alignment and update of existing Board governance documents (e.g., Executive Policy Manual, BOT Operating Manual).

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6 Project team
VI. PROJECT ACTIVITY – Aggregate L-Lähui Level Policy Topics

Setting Context “Lähui Level Policy”. The current status of the Lähui Hawai‘i is incredibly diverse in both values and beliefs, perhaps even more so than we were prior to the widespread introduction of Euro-American and Asian cultures of the 19th Century. The Lähui Hawai‘i, today, is perhaps the most diverse that it ever has been.

With that said, it must be understood that without the collaboration of the Lähui itself, the policies presented here come from an initial, individual comprehension and reasoning and may not be accepted nor agreed upon by other individual members of the Lähui. Keeping that in mind, the project team’s approach has been as objective as possible.

Identifying Lähui level policies meant identifying those traditional policies that were fundamentally Native Hawaiian – those very same policies that exemplify our identity as a unique group of peoples on Earth. Identifying Lähui level policies also meant identifying those traditional policies with strong connections to both contemporary and future needs of Native Hawaiians.

The process for identification required the ability to understand and employ traditional policies like nānā i ke kumu (look to the source). Project team member(s) strove to be as comprehensive as possible with guidance from traditional policies like ‘inā e lepo ke kumu wai, e hō’ea ana ka lepo i kai (if the source of water is dirty, the muddy water will travel on).

Difficulties: Avoid Diminishing Hawaiian Culture. There is a saying, ua lehulehu a manomano ka ‘ike‘ena a ka Hawai‘i (Great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people). The most difficult part of identifying Lähui level policies is having to account for the sheer volume of those that are imperative and then condensing them in a way that isn’t as overwhelming for the purpose of OHA governance.

The danger inherent in the distillation of cultural values, beliefs, principles that guide the formation of policy is in undermining the vastness and complexity of the culture itself. The danger, in essence, is the dumbing down of a culture and its people – and it is certainly a prominent issue faced by the Lähui Hawai‘i that stems from a time where the erasure of Native Hawaiian identity was itself a government policy.

In honoring the grand scope of knowledge, project team member(s) looked for policies that were as comprehensive and encompassing as possible. Even then, however, are principles and policies so intertwined that they are better off sometimes being left unidentified – this was no more true for the policy to aloha than it was for any other.
A Method to the Madness. Getting to the very core of a policy was necessary. To do so, this required a constant asking of “why” (or to search for a more precursory policy). For example, in identifying Ho’omau as a policy, the project team member had first identified widely accepted policies in the preservation, protection, and perpetuation of natural (‘āina, wai, etc.), cultural (heiau, ko’a, etc.), and social (‘ohana, ‘ōlelo, iwi kupuna, health, etc.) resources. So, why do we need to protect these things? Because it is a cultural value, a policy to mālama. But, why do we maintain this policy to mālama? For the survival of our people. Why? To persist as long as we possibly can because in our existence, we may have something to offer the world: so we must Ho’omau.

A Note on Time. Time is a critical notion in traditional Native Hawaiian beliefs. Certain overarching policies adopted, generally, by the Lāhui would not have any temporal constraints – they apply equally to our understanding of the past, present, and future. However, in certain beliefs, time wasn’t linear, the past was carried both in the present and future. Ka wā ma mua, ka wā ma hope.

Recommendations for Lāhui-Level Policies. As the project team member(s) were trying to gain an understanding of our Lāhui’s most prominent and most encompassing policies, we came to the realization that there was no simple way to express a policy bereft of its guiding principles/values/accessory policies that are often in accompaniment.

Ka ‘ōlelo no ke ola, i ka ‘ōlelo no ka make (in language/words there is life, in language/words there is death). We wanted to honor the wisdom of our kupuna by being as meaningful as we possibly could in the identification and expression of these policies.

Accordingly, we felt it necessary to develop some kind of preamble, an “expression of intent” that would encapsulate guiding principles and accessory policies that would further shape these identified Lāhui policies beyond their plain meaning. Truly, as our Lāhui advances with the policy to ‘imi ‘ike (seek knowledge), we wanted to be sure that such a policy would always be regarded and exercised with a high degree of veneration; assurances that we have learned from history and carry our traditions forward; and progress with optimal efficiency to the greatest heights – and it so it was, that we sought to include aloha, nānā i ke kumu, and kālia i ka nu‘u as guiding principles and accessory policies to each of the Lāhui policies identified.

Finally, we felt it necessary to acknowledge the vast and seemingly infinite scope of knowledge possessed by the Lāhui, while also recognizing that this list of policies is a snapshot of one perspective – among many – and at a single instance of time – that may not align with other perspectives and may certainly change as the Lāhui continues to evolve.

Offered Expressions of Intent, Team Member A. We, as Lāhui Hawai‘i, are descendants of our ancestral lands from time immemorial and we share a common identity based on culture, language, traditions, history, and ancestry. We mālama our ‘āina and affirm our ancestral rights and kuleana to all lands, waters, and resources of our islands and surrounding seas of Ka Pae ‘Āina. We also recognize that our homelands also extend to where the Kanaka is. We are united in our desire to cultivate the full expression of our traditions, customs, innovations, and beliefs of our living culture. These policies seem to promote pono policies and practices that protect and perpetuate our natural, cultural, and social resources, as well as the well-being of our people and the ‘āina that sustains us.
OHA recognizes that the issues that face our beneficiaries, as members of an indigenous groups with contemporary rights to self-determination because of our continued presence on the land for millennia, and a national group based on descent for the citizenry of the modern Hawaiian Kingdom founded in the mid-19th century, will evolve in complexity in ways that cannot be forecasted in the present day. These living policies are based on an important set of virtues: intellectual humility, a sense of the complexity of the problems faced in our society, a respect for the accumulated wisdom of the past, and a willingness to rethink when necessary and when constituent with those virtues. These foundations are also meant to address future needs to meet the challenges that are simultaneously posed by mainstream society and as indigenous peoples that continue to suffer systemic oppression from unresolved injustices.

Questions of identity are at the crux of struggles for land and power in Hawai'i. The term “lāhui” provides a lens through which Hawaiian collective identity is understood and lived. In ‘ōlelo Hawai‘i, lāhui refers to a great number of people, sharing a common connection and a collective identity. The prefix “lā-” can be a contracted form of “lau,” meaning leaf or a plant’s manner of leafing out, and it is often used as a shortened name of plants. “Lau” also means many or numerous and is often used to refer to an unquantifiable number of people or beings, as in the countless descendants. “Hui” can be used as both a noun, meaning a society, organization, association, or team, and a verb, meaning to join, unite, mix, or combine. Thus, the components of the word lāhui, suggest both a singular, organic body with branches that nourish the whole and a gathering of distinct, pre-existing elements combining to form a new entity. This definition privileges a lāhui that is constituted through direct action for aloha ‘āina and collective decision-making.

In fulfillment of its mandate to better the conditions of Native Hawaiians, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) recognizes these timeless policy positions that have allowed the Lāhui to triumphantly endure from time immemorial into the far unforeseeable future. In doing so, OHA further recognizes the complexities, dynamics, far-reach, and virtues embodied and interwoven within each of these policies like aloha and nānā i ke kumu (the maintained mindfulness of history and tradition) that serve to reinforce one another. Inherent in these policies is the philosophy of nānā i ke kumu, the value of well-being that is undeniably woven into everyone’s sense of belonging. Literally translated, nānā i ke kumu means to “look to the source.” Practicing self-reflection ensures the well-being of identity and intuition, intellect and emotion, values and beliefs, lessons learned and ancestral knowledge, all personal and professional alike.

Offered Expressions of Intent, Team Member Z. It is the year 2019, and the Lāhui, that is the coalescence of the body of the Native Hawaiian people, their culture, identity, values, beliefs, and aspirations, are continuously met by challenges both mirrored by mainstream society and reflective of those unique to a group of peoples who continue to struggle disproportionately against systemic oppression stemming from unresolved historical injustices.

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OHA understands that *ua lehulehu a manomano ka 'ikena a ka Hawai‘i* (great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people) and the breadth and scope of what it is to be Native Hawaiian can never be delimited by any list of policies or values, and represents a single perspective, among countless perspectives, in no truer measurement of our further understanding that *'a'ohe pau ka 'ike i ka hālau ho'okahi* (not all knowledge is contained in a single school).

**Policy Proposal and Analysis.** The table below proposes five L-Lāhui level policies along with related descriptors and analysis.

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<td>E Ho'omau (to perpetuate)</td>
<td>In as much as it is important to mālāma (protect) our resources, it is equally important to perpetuate those resources. To ho’omau (perpetuate) is a policy at the very core of Native Hawaiian existence. In fact, it can be said that the very need to protect and maintain our vast resources and to survive is accompanied by</td>
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the need to perpetuate – to continue to live on into the future.

Newspaper articles from 1900 in the Hawaiian nationalist newspaper, Ke Aloha Aina, discuss the concept of ho’omau in relation to protests to the US’ annexation of Hawaii. In protests against annexation, the lāhui Hawai‘i united in unprecedented numbers under the banner of aloha ‘aina (love for their land, their nation, and their people) to draw on the strength such feelings had given them collectively over the previous seven years since the overthrow of the monarchy in 1893. These actions should not be construed as nationalism in which the people see themselves as superior to other races but, rather, as resistance to the loss of land, identity, culture, and political power. Their love for the land was based on the traditional familial relationships to the ‘āina.

These articles provide us an understanding of who our kūpuna were, their concerns and goals, and the nature of their struggles during a critical time a hundred years ago when Kanaka Maoli consciously and purposefully attempted to exercise their political will within the United States system. This was a time of great morning for the lāhui. At the same time, Hawai‘i was beginning to be overwhelmed by soldiers and settlers from the US. The events described and discussed in these articles express a time of hope for the lāhui, not yet crushed by the reality of being a numerically powerless underrepresented peoples within the United States. nor by the oligarchy’s looming metamorphosis into the Big Five, the alliance of large corporations that continue to monopolize Hawai‘i’s economy and politics. These articles attempt to comfort fellow lāhui members, urging them to continue in their love for their nation, as instructed by Joseph Nāwahī on his deathbed in 1896: “E ho’omau i ke kūpa’a no ke aloha i ka ‘āina.” Ma kēia mau kumu a me nā kumu aku i koe, e ho’omau ai kākou i ke kūpa’a ana.

There are educated people of ours as well as others from foreign lands that are snatching up [and destroying] the ancient mo‘olelo of Hawai‘i, while our [un-/educated] young people are greatly neglecting this great treasure of the native land. There is no research or seeking out, nor any desire for these things. However, for ourselves, we are continuing this work of a genuine desire to collect and to perpetuate the knowledge of the mo‘olelo and ka‘ao of Hawai‘i so that they can be cared for [or preserved] by us, the lāhui.

Noenoe K. Silva. The Power of the Steel-Tipped Pen: Reconstructing Native
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| **E Pūpūkahi i Holomua**  
(to unite in order to progress) | The policy itself exemplifies traditional advancement through communal unity and the bringing together of communal resources – it forms the basis of so many principles traditionally backed by Native Hawaiian leadership in the most trying of times.  
This unity-backed progress has saw to the settlement of the Hawaiian Islands by the first Kanaka Maoli; the survival of Kanaka Maoli for millennia; the establishment of the Hawaiian Kingdom government; and the rapid adoption of technology. | *A‘ohe loa‘a i ka noho wale* (nothing is gained by idleness)  
(Pukui, ‘Ōlelo No‘eau, 173) |
| **Example Policy Areas** | Kūkulu pilina; Economic growth; economic self-sufficiency; international engagement; home ownership; housing stability; community and real estate development; | |
| **E ‘Imi ‘Ike**  
(to seek knowledge) | Traditionally, the lack of knowledge was a severe limitation on a person’s potential. Limitless knowledge meant limitless potential.  
As acknowledged by the 19th century Native Hawaiian historian, Kepelino, the Native Hawaiian people were often fondly referred to as Hawai‘i‘imilua, for their inclination toward responsible innovation.  
History has chronicled our rapid social-political-economic and technological advancement – notably in national security, education, healthcare, the arts and sciences, and governance.  
In so much as we are a people that carry our traditions with us, we are ever-evolving, and ever-seeking new frontiers. | *He iawai‘a no ke kai pāpa‘u, he po‘opa‘a ka i‘a e loa‘a.* (a fisherman in the shallow sea can only catch po‘opa‘a)  
(Pukui, ‘Ōlelo No‘eau, 726) |
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<td>One of the policies instituted by King David Kalākaua.</td>
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**NOTE:** OHA past policy areas in Values and Mana, ʻOlelo Hawaiʻi, Culture, ʻĀina, Wai, Native Rights, Iwi Kūpuna, ʻOhana and Community, Wahi Pana, Indigenous Rights, International Engagement, Ocean Management, and Climate Change can undoubtedly be incorporated under one or more the above-listed recommended policies. This is not to suggest that the above list is a comprehensive list of Lāhui policies – it is not. the intent here is to showcase what the project team believes to be certain Lāhui-level policies in their broadest and most encompassing form.
VII. PROJECT ACTIVITY – Draft L-Lāhui Level Policies

A preamble for each of the policies was offered as well as the original illustration below.

Preamble. In looking to the wisdom of our kupuna, ua lehulehu a manomano ka 'ikena a ka Hawai'i (great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people); we have put forth these principles knowing that we could not foresee all that is to come in the future, 'a'ohe pau ka 'ike i ka hōlau ho'okahi (not all knowledge is contained in a single school). These policies are living and are meant to be a guide for the leaders of today and tomorrow always mindful that aloha, nānā i ke kumu (the maintained mindfulness of history and tradition, and kūlia i ka nu'u (strive for the greatest heights) are ever present in all we endeavor to do for the lāhui.

Illustration. A team member's original illustration is offered below depicting an ahupua'a—a land division usually extending from the uplands to the sea, so called because the boundary was marked by a heap (ahu) of stones surmounted by an image of a pig (pua'a), or because a pig or other tribute was laid on the altar as tax to the chief. The landlord or owner of an ahupua'a might be a konohiki—headman of an ahupua'a land division under the chief; land or fishing rights under control of the konohiki.⁷

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Refer to Appendix A which provides the following draft L-Lāhui level policies:

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VIII. PROJECT ACTIVITY – Harmonize - L-Lāhui Level Policies

In addition to the actual L-Lāhui level policies, a “policy of policies”, or a policy regarding the Development, Maintenance and Management of Policies was developed to ensure that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) has well-developed, organized, understandable and relevant policies that: support the OHA’s mission and vision; align to the Board Governance Framework; achieve accountability by identifying the responsible offices; and provide clear and concise guidance. The policy addresses the process for developing new and maintaining and managing all of the OHA’s L- Lāhui, T-Trustee and C-CEO level policies. An effective governance framework considers that policies are modified from time to time for clarification of facts, circumstances, policy content, processes or organizational changes.

Refer to Appendix B for the actual policy as well as a policy template.
IX. BOARD GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK NEXT STEPS

Based on the approved project charter, the initial project plan and effective BOT implementation mechanisms, the PIG recommends the BOT implement the Board Governance Framework elements via the following newly formed and executed PIGs:

A. Development of L-Lähui level policies – proposed action at the May 30, 2019 BOT meeting;

B. Alignment and update of existing BOT By-Laws – proposed formation at the May 30, 2019 BOT meeting;

C. Development of T-Trustee level policies;

D. Development of C-CEO level policies; and

E. Alignment and update of existing Board governance documents (e.g., Executive Policy Manual, BOT Operating Manual).

In addition to the above proposed plans, the following PIG is proposed for formation to investigate the incorporation of completed and approved work products of the following PIGs: Governance, L-Lähui Level Policies, Board of Trustees By-Laws, T-Level Policies, C-Level Policies, and Alignment and Update of Existing Board Governance documents.

Refer to Appendix C for project reference documents.
X. MAHALO

Since its approval in April 2019, Trustee PIG members and staff, Administration and staff have worked diligently to collectively bring this report and recommendations to the BOT.

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Administration: Kamanaʻopono Crabbe, Ka Pouhana (KP), Sylvia Hussey, Ka Pou Nui (KPN) and Project Manager; Raina Gushiken, Interim Senior Legal Counsel; Momilani Lazo, Senior Executive Assistant to KP; Laura Kamalani-Paikai, Executive Assistant to KPN, Leona Castillo, Executive Assistant to KP; Jim McMahon, Advocacy Counsel; and Keʻala Nichols, Executive Assistant to Chief Advocate.

Mahalo piha to Trustee Aides Zuri Aki, Alyssa-Marie Kau and Lehua Itokazu who completed most, if not all, of the analysis, drafting and illustrations for the PIG’s report and deliverables.

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APPENDIX A – DRAFT L-Lähui Level Policies

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<td>Scope: The scope of this policy encompasses one of the five policies advanced by the Lähui, as perceived by OHA.</td>
<td>Next Scheduled Review Date: Date of next scheduled review or revision, cannot exceed five years.</td>
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I. POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT

In looking to the wisdom of our kūpuna, ua lehulehu a manomanana ka ʻikena a ka Hawaiʻi (great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people), we have put forth these principles knowing that we could not foresee all that is to come in the future, ʻaʻohe pau ka ʻike i ka hālau hoʻokahi (not all knowledge is contained in a single school). These policies are living and are meant to be a guide for the leaders of today and tomorrow, always mindful that aloha, nānā i ke kumu (the maintained mindfulness of history and tradition), and külia i ka nuʻu (strive for the greatest heights) are ever present in all that we endeavor to do for the Lähui.

E Mālama, or more specifically, e mālama i ko mau kumuwaiwai nui (to protect our greatest resources) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lähui’s continued endeavor to protect our greatest social, cultural/historical, and natural resources.

II. DEFINITIONS

E Mālama means to protect or to care for.

Lähui. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lähui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lähui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lähui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

III. MOʻOKUʻAUHAU

Rooted in traditional Native Hawaiian culture and beliefs are concepts of sustainability and self-sufficiency. Devastating diseases and both Western and Asian settler colonialism and the impacts of colonization (and forced assimilation) since as early as the late 18th Century have impressed upon many Native Hawaiians the need to protect our way of existence from further decline. These principles reinforcing the policy of protection is deeply rooted in Native Hawaiian
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society; it is the duty of youth to honor, love, and serve their elders. It is the reciprocal duty of the elders to care for, protect, and hānai the youth. This reciprocal-familial relationship extends between Native Hawaiians and every facet of the world and life around them – from their interaction with the natural world to society and even spiritualism/religion.

Hānau ka ʻāina, hānau ke aliʻi, hānau ke kānaka (born is the land, born is the chief, born are the people). (Pukui, ʻŌlelo Noʻeau, 466).

“Long before the Western world began to speak of conservation, the Hawaiian child was taught the precept: if you uproot a plant or cut down a tree, plant a new one to replace it.” (Nānā i Ke Kumu, Vol 2, p.51).

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs collectively maintain the sole authority to amend this policy subsequent to majority Board approval.

IV. RELATED POLICIES

Example Social Resources Policy Areas: ʻOhana (family), kūpuna (ancestors/elders), ʻōpio (youths), kāiāulu (community), ola (health), lāʻau lapaʻau; ʻōlelo Hawaiʻi (Hawaiian language), naʻauao (education), mental health, criminal justice, etc.

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Examples of Natural Resources Policy Areas: ʻĀina (land resources), wai (fresh water resources), kai (marine resources), lewa (atmospheric resources), lewa mawaho (space), nā hōkū ‘aeʻa a me nā hōkū (planets and stars), nā lāʻau a me nā holoholona (plants and animals), ua (rain), makani (wind), loko iʻa, ʻōnoni hiki fishing rights, etc.

V. CONTACTS

The Policy Administrator is:

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E Ho‘omau, or more specifically, *e ho‘omau i ka lāhui Hawai‘i* (to perpetuate the Hawaiian nation) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lāhui’s continued endeavor to persist into the far future as a body of people united by common descent, history, culture, and language.

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To ho‘omau is a policy at the very core of Native Hawaiian existence. In fact, it can be said that the very need to protect and maintain our vast resources and to survive is accompanied by the need to perpetuate – to continue to live on into the future.
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These articles provide us an understanding of who our kūpuna were, their concerns and goals, and the nature of their struggles during a critical time. These articles attempt to comfort fellow lāhui members, urging them to continue in their love for their nation, as instructed by Joseph Nāwahi on his deathbed in 1896: “E ho’omau i ke kūpa’a no ke aloha i ka ʻāina.” (Ke Aloha Aina, Mar. 3, 1900, at 4).

Make no ke kalo a ola i ka palili (the kalo may die, but it lives on in the young plants that it produces) (Pukui, ʻŌlelo Noʻeau, 2107).

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V. CONTACTS

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VI. EXHIBITS

None.
Action Item BOT #19-06
Approve L-Lāhui Level Policies


APPENDIX A – DRAFT L-Lāhui Level Policies

E PŪPŪKAHI I HOLOMUA
Subject: Lāhui-level policy.
Scope: The scope of this policy encompasses one of the five policies advanced by the Lāhui, as perceived by OHA.
Responsible Organizational Unit: Board

Effective Date: Original effective date of policy - TBD
Date Reviewed/Revised: Date of last revision or review of policy - TBD
Next Scheduled Review Date: Date of next scheduled review or revision, cannot exceed five years.
Policy Administrator: Board Chair

I. POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT

In looking to the wisdom of our kūpuna, ua lehulehu a manomano ka ‘ikena a ka Hawai‘i (great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people), we have put forth these principles knowing that we could not foresee all that is to come in the future, ‘a’ohe pau ka ‘ike i ka hālau ho’okahi (not all knowledge is contained in a single school). These policies are living and are meant to be a guide for the leaders of today and tomorrow, always mindful that aloha, nānā i ke kumu (the maintained mindfulness of history and tradition), and kūlia i ka nu‘u (strive for the greatest heights) are ever present in all that we endeavor to do for the Lāhui.

E pūpūkahi i holomua (to unite in order to progress) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lāhui’s effectiveness in advancing through united endeavor.

II. DEFINITIONS

E pūpūkahi i holomua means to unite in order to progress.

Lāhui. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lāhui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lāhui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lāhui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

III. MO‘OKŪ‘AUHAU

The policy itself exemplifies traditional advancement through communal unity and the bringing together of communal resources – it forms the basis of so many principles traditionally backed by Native Hawaiian leadership in the most trying of times.
Not solely limited to communal advancement, *pūpūkahi i holomua* has been enshrined within the Hawaiian Kingdom’s foreign relations endeavors that have brought prosperity to the Hawaiian Islands and the Native Hawaiian people.

This unity-backed progress saw to the settlement of the Hawaiian Islands by the first Kanaka Maoli⁸; the survival of Kanaka Maoli for millennia; the establishment of the Hawaiian Kingdom government; and the rapid adoption of technology.

‘A‘ohe loa‘a i ka noho wale (nothing is gained by idleness) (Pukui, ‘Ōlelo No‘eau, 173).

IV. SCOPe AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs collectively maintain the sole authority to amend this policy subsequent to majority Board approval.

IV. RELATED POLICIES

Example Policy Areas: Kūkulu pilina; Economic growth; economic self-sufficiency; international engagement; home ownership; housing stability; community and real estate development; etc.

V. CONTACTS

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VI. EXHIBITS

None


APPENDIX A – DRAFT L-Lāhui Level Policies

E ‘IMI ‘IKE
Subject: Lāhui-level policy.
Scope: The scope of this policy encompasses one of the five policies advanced by the Lāhui, as perceived by OHA.

Effective Date: Original effective date of policy - TBD
Date Reviewed/Revised: Date of last revision or review of policy - TBD
Next Scheduled Review Date: Date of next scheduled review or revision, cannot exceed five years.
Policy Administrator: Board Chair

I. POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT

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E ‘Imi ‘Ike (to seek knowledge) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lāhui’s continuous seeking of knowledge to improve its status, adapt to necessary change, and to progress both responsibly and most effectively.

II. DEFINITIONS

E ‘Imi ‘Ike means to seek knowledge.

Lāhui. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lāhui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lāhui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lāhui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

III. MOʻOKŪʻAUHAU

Traditionally, the lack of knowledge was a severe limitation on a person’s potential. Limitless knowledge meant limitless potential. As acknowledged by the 19th century Native Hawaiian
historian, Kepelino, the Native Hawaiian people were often fondly referred to as Hawai‘i‘imiloa, for their inclination toward responsible innovation.

The search for knowledge has always been intrinsically tied to advancement and innovation. Throughout their existence, Native Hawaiians have exhibited their continuous search for knowledge through their achievements and prominence in world exploration, technological adaptation, land and resource management, and much more.

History has chronicled our rapid social-political-economic and technological advancement—notably in national security, education, healthcare, the arts and sciences, and governance. In so much as we are a people that carry our traditions with us, we are ever-evolving, and ever-seeking new frontiers.

He lawai‘a no ke kai pāpa‘u, he po‘opa‘a ka i‘a e loa‘a. (a fisherman in the shallow sea can only catch po‘opa‘a) (Pukui, ‘Ōlelo No‘eau, 726).

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs collectively maintain the sole authority to amend this policy subsequent to majority Board approval.

IV. RELATED POLICIES

Example Policy Areas: Education; Innovation; Native Hawaiian rights; indigenous rights; technology; emerging sectors; Artificial Intelligence and automation; Proactiveness; innovation; technological advancement; trade and emerging skill development; space exploration; etc.

V. CONTACTS

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None
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E Ho‘oulu Lāhui (to grow the Nation) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lāhui’s continuous endeavor to grow and evolve and in accordance with principles of self-determination.

II. DEFINITIONS

E Ho‘oulu Lāhui means to seek grow the Nation.

Lāhui. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lāhui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lāhui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lāhui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

III. MO‘OKŪ‘AUHAU

In his campaign for the throne and throughout his rule, King David Kala‘kaua maintained the slogan “E Ho‘oulu Lāhui.” Originally, efforts to increase the nation were compelled by the persistent decline of the ‘ōiwi (native) population that began with the arrival of European foreigners in the latter 18th Century.
"Increasing the nation" became a rallying point among the ali‘i. At its core, the push to ho‘oulu lāhui was inherently connected to procreation and proliferating the ‘ōiwi population. Yet, Kalākaua’s platform and rule also promoted the concept of increasing the nation in a variety of other capacities that speak to the kind of lāhui that he envisioned and was compelled to support in line with his genealogical kuleana. Kalākaua’s rule allowed and demanded space for ‘ōiwi ideas and practices to expand and flourish in both public and private spaces.

Increasing the cultural attributes of the lāhui reflect a framework wherein conceptions of the past are directly tied to and inclusive of the contributions made by the ancestors who lived before us, appended by those living in the present, and built upon by our children in the future. In as much as Kalākaua had sought the protection and proliferation of the Native Hawaiian population, he had also encouraged the increase of Native Hawaiian knowledge through the cultural and political institutions that he had created and through public performances and displays of his leadership.

Today, the concept of lāhui has expanded beyond simply the identification of a body of Native Hawaiians, but also extends to our culture, identity, values, beliefs, and aspirations. To grow the nation is to productively expand every facet of our society, politics, economics, and environment.

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs collectively maintain the sole authority to amend this policy subsequent to majority Board approval.

IV. RELATED POLICIES

Example Policy Areas: Governance; Native Hawaiian economy; innovative Hawaiian business ownership; food security and sustainability; real estate, land, and resource acquisition and expansion; wealth; economic self-sufficiency; loans, grants, and sponsorships; asset limits; international relations; identity; culture; etc.

V. CONTACTS

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VI. EXHIBITS

None

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**Subject:** Development, Maintenance and Management of Policies  
**Effective Date:** Original effective date of policy - TBD

**Scope:** The scope of this policy includes policy types—L- Lähui Level, T-Trustee Level and C-CEO Level policies.  
**Date Reviewed/Revised:** Date of last revision or review of policy - TBD

**Responsible Office:** Board  
**Next Scheduled Review Date:** Date of next scheduled review or revision, cannot exceed three years.

**Policy Administrator**: Board Chair

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**I. POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT**

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) has well-developed, organized, understandable and relevant policies that: support the OHA’s mission and vision; align to the Board Governance Framework; achieve accountability by identifying the responsible offices; and provide clear and concise guidance. *This policy addresses the process for developing new and maintaining and managing all of the OHA's L- Lähui, T-Trustee and C-CEO level policies.* An effective governance framework considers that policies are modified from time to time for clarification of facts, circumstances, policy content, processes or organizational changes.

**II. DEFINITIONS**

**Governance**[^10]. Establishment of policies, and continuous monitoring of their proper implementation, by the members of the governing body of an organization. It includes the mechanisms required to balance the powers of the members (with the associated accountability), and their primary duty of enhancing the prosperity and viability of the organization.

**Policy**[^11]. Prudence or wisdom in the management of affairs; management or procedure based primarily on material interest; a definite course or method of action selected from among alternatives and in light of given conditions to guide and determine present and future decisions; and a high-level overall plan embracing the general goals and acceptable procedures especially of a governmental body.

[^10]: [http://www.businessdictionary.com/definition/governance.html](http://www.businessdictionary.com/definition/governance.html), retrieved 1/1/2019  

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Lāhui. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lähui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lähui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lähui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

L- Lähui Level Policies. Articulates the Hawaiian cultural foundation of the organization as a basis for the kaumaha (heavy weight, sadness) or significant kuleana (responsibility) to normalize Hawaiian language, protect and exercise native rights regarding ‘āina, water, wahi pana and iwi kupuna, strengthen ‘ohana and kaiāulu, perpetuate Hawaiian culture, knowledge and practices and engage in global, international indigenous contexts. Identifying Lähui level policies meant identifying those traditional policies that were fundamentally Native Hawaiian – those very same policies that exemplify our identity as a unique group of peoples on Earth. Identifying Lähui level policies also meant identifying those traditional policies with strong connections to both contemporary and future needs of Native Hawaiians.

T-Trustee Level Policies. Articulates broad, systemic, strategic, overarching policies that are attributed to OHA’s Trustee role as a result of the Constitution and Chapter 10 purposes and duties (e.g., fiduciary, care, obedience, code of ethics).

C-CEO Level Policies. Guides and directs operations such as compensation, recruitment, procurement, contracting, data retention, asset protection, risk management, etc.

Procedure. A procedure is a guideline or series of interrelated steps taken to help implement the policy.

Policy Initiator. The Policy Initiator is either the Board or Chief Executive Officer (CEO) that develops a policy proposal (e.g., addition, change, deletion).

Policy Owner. The Policy Owner is the Board for L- Lähui Level and T-Trustee Level policies. The CEO is the Policy Owner for the C-CEO Level policies. The Policy Owner’s jurisdiction covers the subject matter of the policy.

Stakeholder. Stakeholders include individuals, families, entities, organizations, communities that are both internal (e.g., staff, administration, Trustees) and external (e.g., grantees, collaborators, Ali‘i Trusts, State government) to the OHA, that are affected by the policy.
Policy Administrator. The Policy Administrator is the organizational unit and its leader (i.e., Board, Chair; Administration, CEO) responsible for the programmatic, functional, or administrative areas affected by the policy/procedure.

III. MO'OKU'AUHAU

The Board Governance Framework consists of the following five elements: 1) Identity; 2) Values and Mana; 3) Statutory Basis; 4) Policies; and 5) Supporting Documents and Practices (Operations), as approved by the Board of Trustees via Action Item BOT #19-04; and is the genesis and origination point of this policy.

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

The authority to approve new or changes to existing L-Lāhui and T-Trustee level policies is vested in and retained by the Board of Trustees (BOT).

The BOT delegates to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO): 1) Implementation of this policy and its programmatic, functional or administrative impacts; and 2) Responsibility to initiate the process to develop new, and maintain, manage and change existing policies; and 3) Authorization of C-CEO level policies.

IV. RELATED POLICIES

The scope of this policy applies to all policy types—L- Lāhui Level, T-Trustee Level and C-CEO Level policies.

V. CONTACTS

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VI. EXHIBITS

The attached Policy Template presents policies in a format and consistently identifies applicable elements.

APPENDIX B – DRAFT Development, Management and Maintenance of Policies

TEMPLATE

| Subject: First word of Subject title should be a key word for locating the policy. |
| Scope: List span of policy. (To whom or what does this policy apply) |
| Responsible Office: Area or department responsible for implementation and/or interpretation of policy. |
| Effective Date: Original effective date of policy. |
| Date Reviewed/Revised: Date of last revision or review of policy. |
| Next Scheduled Review Date: Date of next scheduled review or revision. Cannot exceed three years. |
| Policy Administrator: OHA Executive responsible for the programmatic, functional, or administrative areas affected by the policy/procedure. |

I. POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT

Provide a brief introduction stating the policy or position and the basis or rationale for the policy/procedure.

II. DEFINITION

Define any terms with specific meaning for the policy

III. MO‘OKŪ‘AUHAU

Include cultural and organizational mo‘okū‘auhau of how the policy statement came into development

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Describe process to be followed, including any required controls and approval levels; what is delegated to Administration/CEO and what is not and retained by the Trustees

IV. RELATED POLICIES

List related policies, if applicable

V. CONTACTS

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List the phone number and email/web address of the office and/or person who is the subject matter expert on this policy and can answer questions regarding application and interpretation of the policy.

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VI. EXHIBITS

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ATTACHMENT 2 - E MĀLAMA

E MĀLAMA

Subject: Lāhui-level policy.

Scope: The scope of this policy encompasses one of the five policies advanced by the Lāhui, as perceived by OHA.

Responsible Organizational Unit: Board

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E Mālama, or more specifically, e mālama i ko mau kumuwaiwai nui (to protect our greatest resources) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lāhui’s continued endeavor to protect our greatest social, cultural/historical, and natural resources.

II. DEFINITIONS

E Mālama means to protect or to care for.

Lāhui. A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lāhui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lāhui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lāhui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

III. MO‘OKŪ‘AUHAU

Rooted in traditional Native Hawaiian culture and beliefs are concepts of sustainability and self-sufficiency. Devastating diseases and both Western and Asian settler colonialism and the impacts of colonization (and forced assimilation) since as early as the late 18th Century have impressed upon many Native Hawaiians the need to protect our way of existence from further decline. These principles reinforcing the policy of protection is deeply rooted in Native Hawaiian society; it is the duty of youth to honor, love, and serve their elders. It is the reciprocal duty of
ATTACHMENT 2 - E MĀLAMA

the elders to care for, protect, and hānai the youth. This reciprocal-familial relationship extends between Native Hawaiians and every facet of the world and life around them – from their interaction with the natural world to society and even spiritualism/religion.

Hānau ka ‘āina, hānau ke ali‘i, hānau ke kānaka (born is the land, born is the chief, born are the people). (Pukui, ‘Ōlelo No‘eau, 466).

“Long before the Western world began to speak of conservation, the Hawaiian child was taught the precept: if you uproot a plant or cut down a tree, plant a new one to replace it.” (Nānā i Ke Kumu, Vol 2, p.51).

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

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IV. RELATED POLICIES

Example Social Resources Policy Areas: ‘Ohana (family), kūpuna (ancestors/elders), ‘ōpio (youths), kai‘ulu (community), ola (health), lā‘au lapa‘au; ‘ōlelo Hawai‘i (Hawaiian language), na‘auao (education), mental health, criminal justice, etc.

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VI. EXHIBITS

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I. POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT

In looking to the wisdom of our kūpuna, ua lehulehu a manomano ka 'ikena a ka Hawai‘i (great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people), we have put forth these principles knowing that we could not foresee all that is to come in the future, ‘a‘ohe pau ka ‘ike i ka hālau ho‘okahi (not all knowledge is contained in a single school). These policies are living and are meant to be a guide for the leaders of today and tomorrow, always mindful that aloha, nānā i ke kumu (the maintained mindfulness of history and tradition), and kālia i ka nu‘u (strive for the greatest heights) are ever present in all that we endeavor to do for the Lāhui.

E Ho‘omau, or more specifically, e ho‘omau i ka lāhui Hawai‘i (to perpetuate the Hawaiian nation) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lāhui’s continued endeavor to persist into the far future as a body of people united by common descent, history, culture, and language.

II. DEFINITIONS

E Ho‘omau means to perpetuate or to persist/continue on.

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III. MO‘OKŪ‘AUHAU

To ho‘omau is a policy at the very core of Native Hawaiian existence. In fact, it can be said that the very need to protect and maintain our vast resources and to survive is accompanied by the need to perpetuate – to continue to live on into the future.

Nūpepa articles from 1900 in the Hawaiian nationalist newspaper, Ke Aloha Aina, discuss the concept of ho‘omau in relation to protests against the United States’ annexation of Hawai‘i;
ATTACHMENT 3 - E HO‘OMAU

the Lāhui united in unprecedented numbers under the banner of aloha ‘āina (love for their land, their nation, and their people) to draw on the strength such feelings had given them collectively over the previous seven years since the overthrow of the monarchy in 1893.

These articles provide us an understanding of who our kūpuna were, their concerns and goals, and the nature of their struggles during a critical time. These articles attempt to comfort fellow lāhui members, urging them to continue in their love for their nation, as instructed by Joseph Nāwahī on his deathbed in 1896: “E ho‘omau i ke kūpa’a no ke aloha i ka ‘āina.” (Ke Aloha Aina, Mar. 3, 1900, at 4).

Make no ke kalo a ola i ka palili (the kalo may die, but it lives on in the young plants that it produces) (Pukui, ‘Olelo No‘eau, 2107).

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

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IV. RELATED POLICIES

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Examples of Natural Resources Policy Areas: ‘Āina (land resources), wai (fresh water resources), kai (marine resources), lewa (atmospheric resources), lewa mawaho (space), nā hōkū ‘ae‘a a me nā hōkū (planets and stars), nā lā‘au a me nā holoholona (plants and animals), ua (rain), makani (wind), loko i‘a, konohiki fishing rights, etc.

V. CONTACTS

The Policy Administrator is:

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VI. EXHIBITS

None.
ATTACHMENT 4 - E PŪPŪKAHI I HOLOMUA

**E PŪPŪKAHI I HOLOMUA**

**Effective Date:** Original effective date of policy - TBD

**Subject:** Lāhui-level policy.

**Date Reviewed/Revised:** Date of last revision or review of policy - TBD

**Scope:** The scope of this policy encompasses one of the five policies advanced by the Lāhui, as perceived by OHA.

**Next Scheduled Review Date:** Date of next scheduled review or revision, cannot exceed five years.

**Responsible Organizational Unit:** Board

**Policy Administrator:** Board Chair

I. **POLICY AND GENERAL STATEMENT**

In looking to the wisdom of our kūpuna, *ua lehulehu a manomano ka 'ikena a ka Hawai‘i* (great and numerous is the knowledge of the Hawaiian people), we have put forth these principles knowing that we could not foresee all that is to come in the future, *'a‘ohe pau ka 'ike i ka hālau ho‘okahi* (not all knowledge is contained in a single school). These policies are living and are meant to be a guide for the leaders of today and tomorrow, always mindful that *aloha, nānā i ke kumu* (the maintained mindfulness of history and tradition), and *kālia i ka nu‘u* (strive for the greatest heights) are ever present in all that we endeavor to do for the Lāhui.

E pūpūkahí i holomua (to unite in order to progress) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lāhui’s effectiveness in advancing through united endeavor.

II. **DEFINITIONS**

E pūpūkahí i holomua means *to unite in order to progress.*

**Lāhui.** A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lāhui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lāhui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lāhui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

III. **MO‘OKU‘AUHAU**

The policy itself exemplifies traditional advancement through communal unity and the bringing together of communal resources – it forms the basis of so many principles traditionally backed by Native Hawaiian leadership in the most trying of times.
ATTACHMENT 4 - E PŪPŪKAHI I HOLOMUA

Not solely limited to communal advancement, pūpūkahi i holomua has been enshrined within the Hawaiian Kingdom’s foreign relations endeavors that have brought prosperity to the Hawaiian Islands and the Native Hawaiian people.

This unity-backed progress saw to the settlement of the Hawaiian Islands by the first Kanaka Maoli; the survival of Kanaka Maoli for millennia; the establishment of the Hawaiian Kingdom government; and the rapid adoption of technology.

‘A‘ohe loa‘a i ka noho wale (nothing is gained by idleness) (Pukui, ‘Ōlelo No‘eau, 173).

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs collectively maintain the sole authority to amend this policy subsequent to majority Board approval.

IV. RELATED POLICIES

Example Policy Areas: Kūkulu pilina; Economic growth; economic self-sufficiency; international engagement; home ownership; housing stability; community and real estate development; etc.

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ATTACHMENT 5 - E ‘IMI ‘IKE

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Effective Date: Original effective date of policy - TBD

Subject: Lähui-level policy.

Date Reviewed/Revised: Date of last revision or review of policy - TBD

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E ‘Imi ‘Ike (to seek knowledge) expresses OHA’s recognition of the Lähui’s continuous seeking of knowledge to improve its status, adapt to necessary change, and to progress both responsibly and most effectively.

II. DEFINITIONS

E ‘Imi ‘Ike means to seek knowledge.

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III. MO‘OKÜ‘AUHAU

Traditionally, the lack of knowledge was a severe limitation on a person’s potential. Limitless knowledge meant limitless potential. As acknowledged by the 19th century Native Hawaiian historian, Kepelino, the Native Hawaiian people were often fondly referred to as Hawai‘i‘imiloa, for their inclination toward responsible innovation.
ATTACHMENT 5 - E ‘IMI ‘IKE

The search for knowledge has always been intrinsically tied to advancement and innovation. Throughout their existence, Native Hawaiians have exhibited their continuous search for knowledge through their achievements and prominence in world exploration, technological adaptation, land and resource management, and much more.

History has chronicled our rapid social-political-economic and technological advancement—notably in national security, education, healthcare, the arts and sciences, and governance. In so much as we are a people that carry our traditions with us, we are ever-evolving, and ever-seeking new frontiers.

*He lawai’a no ke kai pāpa’u, he po’opa’a ka i’a e loa’a.* (a fisherman in the shallow sea can only catch *po’opa’a*) (Pukui, ‘Olelo No’eau, 726).

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs collectively maintain the sole authority to amend this policy subsequent to majority Board approval.

IV. RELATED POLICIES

*Example Policy Areas:* Education; Innovation; Native Hawaiian rights; indigenous rights; technology; emerging sectors; Artificial Intelligence and automation; Proactiveness; innovation; technological advancement; trade and emerging skill development; space exploration; etc.

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E Ho'oulu Lāhui (to grow the Nation) expresses OHA's recognition of the Lāhui's continuous endeavor to grow and evolve and in accordance with principles of self-determination.

## II. DEFINITIONS

E Ho'oulu Lāhui means _to seek grow the Nation._

_ Lāhui. _A term or descriptor that should not be conceived of as having multiple meanings, but rather as having a meaning that encompasses and includes concepts that require multiple words in English; and have different meanings such as “nation” and “race.” In using the word “lāhui,” we did not mean “the nation” or “the race” or “the people.” Rather, when used, the word “lāhui,” means the inclusive broad concept of “lāhui,” which includes the English expressed concepts of “nation,” “race,” and “people.”

## III. MO‘OKU‘AUHAU

In his campaign for the throne and throughout his rule, King David Kala'kaua maintained the slogan “E Ho’oulu Lāhui.” Originally, efforts to increase the nation were compelled by the persistent decline of the _ōiwi_ (native) population that began with the arrival of European foreigners in the latter 18th Century. “Increasing the nation” became a rallying point among the ali’i. At its core, the push to ho’oulu lāhui was inherently connected to procreation and
proliferating the ‘ōiwi population. Yet, Kalākaua’s platform and rule also promoted the concept of increasing the nation in a variety of other capacities that speak to the kind of lāhui that he envisioned and was compelled to support in line with his genealogical kuleana. Kalākaua’s rule allowed and demanded space for ‘ōiwi ideas and practices to expand and flourish in both public and private spaces.

Increasing the cultural attributes of the lāhui reflect a framework wherein conceptions of the past are directly tied to and inclusive of the contributions made by the ancestors who lived before us, appended by those living in the present, and built upon by our children in the future. In as much as Kalākaua had sought the protection and proliferation of the Native Hawaiian population, he had also encouraged the increase of Native Hawaiian knowledge through the cultural and political institutions that he had created and through public performances and displays of his leadership.

Today, the concept of lāhui has expanded beyond simply the identification of a body of Native Hawaiians, but also extends to our culture, identity, values, beliefs, and aspirations. To grow the nation is to productively expand every facet of our society, politics, economics, and environment.

IV. SCOPE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs collectively maintain the sole authority to amend this policy subsequent to majority Board approval.

IV. RELATED POLICIES

Example Policy Areas: Governance; Native Hawaiian economy; innovative Hawaiian business ownership; food security and sustainability; real estate, land, and resource acquisition and expansion; wealth; economic self-sufficiency; loans, grants, and sponsorships; asset limits; international relations; identity; culture; etc.

V. CONTACTS

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VI. EXHIBITS

None

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IV. New Business
   F. Action Item BOT #19-07: Approve the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group to investigate the Board of Trustees By-Laws.
OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
Action Item

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

May 30, 2019

Action Item Issue: Approve the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group to investigate the alignment and update of the existing Board of Trustees By-Laws for OHA's Board Governance Framework

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Action Item BOT #19-07
Formation of a Permitted Interaction Group to investigate the alignment and update of the existing Board of Trustees By-Laws for OHA’s Board Governance Framework

I. Action Item:

Approve the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group to investigate the alignment and update of the existing Board of Trustees By-Laws for OHA’s Board Governance Framework.

II. Issue:

Whether or not the Board of Trustees will approve the formation of the Permitted Interaction Group, consistent with Hawai‘i Revised Statutes§92-2.5(b), to investigate the alignment and update of the existing Board of Trustees By-Laws for OHA’s Board Governance Framework.

III. Discussion:

A. Applicable Law in Hawaii Revised Statutes, Permitted Interaction Groups

In accordance with HRS, CHAPTER 92, PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS AND RECORDS §92-2.5 (b) Permitted interactions of members: (b) Two or more members of a board, but less than the number of members which would constitute a quorum for the board, may be assigned to: (1) Investigate a matter relating to the official business of their board; provided that: (A) The scope of the investigation and the scope of each member’s authority are defined at a meeting of the board; (B) All resulting findings and recommendations are presented to the board at a meeting of the board; and (C) Deliberation and decision making on the matter investigated, if any, occurs only at a duly noticed meeting of the board held subsequent to the meeting at which the findings and recommendations of the investigation were presented to the board; or (2) Present, discuss, or negotiate any position which the board has adopted at a meeting of the board; provided that the assignment is made and the scope of each member’s authority is defined at a meeting of the board prior to the presentation, discussion, or negotiation.
Formation of a Permitted Interaction Group to investigate the alignment and update of the existing Board of Trustees By-Laws for OHA’s Board Governance Framework

B. Board Governance Framework Permitted Interaction Groups To Date

Board Governance Framework. In January 2019, the Board approved the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to: Investigate various elements of governance frameworks and models, including but not limited to cultural, indigenous, native, national and international contexts. The PIG was established with: 1) Trustee Brendon Kaleria  Lee as Project Sponsor and Chair; 2) Trustee Colette Machado as Business Process Owner and Vice Chair of the PIG; and 3) Trustees Robert Lindsey and John Waihee as members. The PIG was supported by Trustee Machado, Lee, Lindsey and Waihee’s Aides; and Administration, Ka Pouhana, Kamana’opono Crabbe, Ka Pou Nui, Sylvia Hussey and staff. The PIG presented its final report and recommendations to the Board of Trustees (BOT) at its March 28, 2019 meeting; and on April 4, 2019, via Action Item BOT# 19-04, the BOT approved the five elements of OHA’s Board Governance Framework: 1) Identity; 2) Values and Mana; 3) Statutory Basis; 4) Policies; and 5) Supporting Documents and Practices (Operations).

L-Lähui Level Policies. On April 4, 2019, via Action Item #19-05, the BOT approved the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group to investigate the development of L-Lähui level policies for OHA’s Board Governance Framework. The purview of the PIG was for the Board of Trustees (BOT), BOT staff and OHA Administration staff to work together to: (1) Investigate the development of L-Lähui policies for OHA’s Board Governance Framework, which would articulate the Hawaiian cultural foundation of the organization as a basis for the kaumaha (heavy weight, sadness) or significant kuleana (responsibility) to normalize Hawaiian language, protect and exercise native rights regarding ‘aina, water, wahi pana and iwi kupuna, strengthen ‘ohana and kaiāulu, perpetuate Hawaiian culture, knowledge and practices and engage in global, international indigenous contexts; (2) Establish consistent policy formulation, format, review and update parameters, mechanisms and processes; and (3) Integrate the developed policies into the Board Governance Framework.

Subsequent to the April 4th authorization, the PIG completed its work and reported its findings to the BOT at its May 16, 2019 meeting. Via Action Item #19-06, scheduled for the May 30, 2019 BOT meeting, the Board will consider the findings of the PIG and recommended approval of L-Lähui Level Policies: (1) E Mālama (to protect); (2) E Ho’omau (to perpetuate); (3) E Pūpūkahi i Holomua (to unite in order to progress); (4) E ‘Imi ‘Ike (to seek knowledge); (5) E Ho’oulu Lāhui (to grow the Lāhui), developed in accordance with the approved PIG purview.

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Action Item BOT #19-07
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C. New Permitted Interaction Group, Board Governance Framework – Board of Trustees By-Laws

Permitted Interaction Group - Purview. Via this Action Item, approval is sought to form a new PIG to continue the implementation of the Board Governance Framework elements. The purview of the new PIG is for the Board of Trustees (BOT), BOT staff and OHA Administration staff to work together to: (1) Investigate the alignment and update of existing BOT By-Laws and related documents; (2) Establish consistent format, review and update parameters, mechanisms and processes; and (3) Integrate the developed BOT By-Laws and related documents into the Board Governance Framework.

Permitted Interaction Group - Members. The membership of the Permitted Interaction Group is as follows:
1. Trustee Colette Machado, BOT Chairperson
2. Trustee Brendon Kalei‘aina Lee, BOT Vice Chairperson
3. Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr, Resource Management Vice Chairperson
4. Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey
5. Kamana‘opono M. Crabbe, Ka Pouhana
6. Sylvia M. Hussey, Ka Pou Nui

Trustee Lee will serve as the Chair of the Permitted Interaction Group and Trustee Machado will serve as its Vice Chair.

Permitted Interaction Group - Term/Duration. The term of the Permitted Interaction Group expires at the completion of the assigned tasks or at the discretion of the Chair of the Board of Trustees, subject to later adjustment, but in no event later than July 31, 2019.
Action Item BOT #19-07
Formation of a Permitted Interaction Group to investigate the alignment and update of the existing Board of Trustees By-Laws for OHA’s Board Governance Framework

D. Summary of Board Governance Framework Implementation Tracking via Permitted Interaction Groups

The slide below summarizes the implementation of Board Governance Framework elements via current or proposed permitted interaction groups.

Board Governance Framework Implementation Tracking
Current (or Proposed) Permitted Interaction Groups

- Meeting 1: 1/24/2019
- Meeting 2: 3/28/2019
- Meeting 3: 4/4/2019
- Lee, Machado, R. Lindsey, Waiheea

- L-Lahui Policies (BOT #19-05, #19-06)
  - Meeting 1: 4/4/2019
  - Meeting 2: 5/16/2019
  - Meeting 3: 5/30/2019
  - Lee, Machado, R. Lindsey and H Lindsey

- BOT By-Laws (BOT #19-07)
  - Meeting 1: 5/30/2019
  - Meeting 2: TBD
  - Meeting 3: TBD
  - Lee, Machado, Waiheea

- Incorporation of Completed Work Products (BOT #19-08)
  - Meeting 1: 5/30/2019
  - Meeting 2: TBD
  - Meeting 3: TBD
  - Lee, Machado, Ahuna, Waiheea
Action Item BOT #19-07
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The slide below summarizes the implementation of Board Governance Framework elements via new, to be approved, permitted interaction groups

IV. Funding Source:
Not applicable, no dedicated funding needed to authorize and form a new Permitted Interaction Group to investigate the alignment and update of existing BOT By-Laws for OHA’s Board Governance Framework.

V. Recommended Action:
Approve the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group to investigate the alignment and update of the existing Board of Trustees By-Laws for OHA’s Board Governance Framework.
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VI. Timeframe:

Immediate action is recommended to ensure that the following newly formed and executed PIGs (subject to BOT approval) can be launched to “operationalize” the framework elements no later than December 31, 2019:

1. Development of L-Lahui level policies – Action Items BOT #19-05 (April 4, 2019) and #19-06 (on the May 30, 2019 BOT agenda);

2. Alignment and update of existing BOT By-Laws – Action Item BOT #19-07 (on the May 30, 2019 BOT agenda);

3. Development of T-Trustee level policies - TBD;

4. Development of C-CEO level policies - TBD; and

5. Incorporation of completed and approved work products of the Board Governance Framework and alignment and update of existing Board governance documents - Action Item BOT #19-08 (on the May 30, 2019 BOT agenda).

VII. Attachment: None
IV. New Business

G. Action Item BOT #19-08: Approve the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to investigate the incorporation of completed and approved work products of the Board Governance Framework PIG, L-Lahui Policies PIG, Board of Trustees By-Laws PIG, T-Level Policies PIG, and C-CEO Level Policies; and alignment and update of existing Board governance documents.
OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Approve the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to investigate the incorporation of completed and approved work products of the Board Governance Framework PIG, L-Lahui Level Policies PIG, Board of Trustees By-Laws PIG, T-Trustee Level Policies PIG, and C-CEO Level Policies; and alignment and update of existing Board governance documents.

C. 1st New Permitted Interaction Group, Board Governance Framework – Board of Trustees By-Laws – Action Item BOT #19-07

Via Action Item BOT #19-07, at the May 30, 2019 Board meeting, approval will be sought to form a Permitted Interaction Group to investigate the alignment and update of the existing Board of Trustees By-Laws for OHA’s Board Governance Framework. The purview of the new PIG is for the Board of Trustees (BOT), BOT staff and OHA Administration staff to work together to: (1) Investigate the alignment and update of existing BOT By-Laws and related documents; (2) Establish consistent format, review and update parameters, mechanisms and processes; and (3) Integrate the developed BOT By-Laws and related documents into the Board Governance Framework. The proposed members of the PIG are: Trustees Lee, Machado, R Lindsey and H Lindsey, including their aides; and Administration, Ka Pouhana, Kamana’opono Crabbe, Ka Pou Nui, Sylvia Hussey and staff. Trustee Lee will serve as the Chair of the Permitted Interaction Group and Trustee Machado will serve as its Vice Chair. The term of the Permitted Interaction Group is proposed to expire at the completion of the assigned tasks or at the discretion of the Chair of the Board of Trustees, subject to later adjustment, but in no event later than July 31, 2019.

D. 2nd New Permitted Interaction Group, Board Governance Framework – Investigate the incorporation of completed and approved work products of the Board Governance Framework PIG, L-Lahui Level Policies PIG, Board of Trustees By-Laws PIG, T-Trustee Level Policies PIG, and C-CEO Level Policies; and alignment and update of existing Board governance documents – Action Item BOT #19-08

As the implementation of the Board Governance Framework progresses, it is necessary to incorporate the completed and approved work products from each of the PIGs.

Permitted Interaction Group - Purview. Via this Action Item, approval is sought to form a second new PIG to continue the implementation of the Board Governance Framework elements. The purview of the new PIG is for the Board of Trustees (BOT), BOT staff and OHA Administration staff to work together to:

1. Establish consistent format, review and update parameters, mechanisms and processes for each of the completed and approved work products of the Board Governance Framework from the Board Governance Framework PIG, L-Lahui Level Policies PIG, Board of Trustees By-Laws PIG, T-Trustee Level Policies PIG, and C-CEO Level Policies PIG;

2. Maintain the Board Governance Framework elements and integrate each final approved work product;
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Approve the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to investigate the incorporation of completed and approved work products of the Board Governance Framework PIG, L-Lahui Level Policies PIG, Board of Trustees By-Laws PIG, T-Trustee Level Policies PIG, and C-CEO Level Policies; and alignment and update of existing Board governance documents.

(3) Create and define on-going Board Governance Framework maintenance roles and responsibilities; and

(4) Align and update related Board governance documents (e.g., policies, procedures, handbooks, manuals).

Permitted Interaction Group – Members. The membership of the Permitted Interaction Group is as follows:
1. Trustee Colette Machado, BOT Chairperson
2. Trustee Brendon Kalei‘ăina Lee, BOT Vice Chairperson
3. Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr, Resource Management Vice Chairperson
4. Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey
5. Kamana‘opono M. Crabbe, Ka Pouhana
6. Sylvia M. Hussey, Ka Pounui

Trustee Lee will serve as the Chair of the Permitted Interaction Group and Trustee Machado will serve as its Vice Chair.

Permitted Interaction Group - Term/Duration. The term of the Permitted Interaction Group expires at the completion of the assigned tasks or at the discretion of the Chair of the Board of Trustees, subject to later adjustment, but in no event later than December 31, 2019.

E. Summary of Board Governance Framework Implementation Tracking via Permitted Interaction Groups

The slide at left summarizes the implementation of Board Governance Framework elements via current or proposed permitted interaction groups.
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The slide below summarizes the implementation of Board Governance Framework elements via new, to be approved, permitted interaction groups

IV. Funding Source:
Not applicable, no dedicated funding needed to authorize and form a new Permitted Interaction Group to investigate the incorporation of completed and approved work products of the Board Governance Framework PIG, L-Lahui Level Policies PIG, Board of Trustees By-Laws PIG, T-Trustee Level Policies PIG, and C-CEO Level Policies; and alignment and update of existing Board governance documents.

V. Recommended Action:
Approve the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to investigate the incorporation of completed and approved work products of the Board Governance Framework PIG, L-Lahui Level Policies PIG, Board of Trustees By-Laws PIG, T-Trustee Level Policies PIG, and C-CEO Level Policies; and alignment and update of existing Board governance documents.
Action Item BOT #19-08
Approve the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to investigate the incorporation of completed and approved work products of the Board Governance Framework PIG, L-Lahui Level Policies PIG, Board of Trustees By-Laws PIG, T-Trustee Level Policies PIG, and C-CEO Level Policies; and alignment and update of existing Board governance documents.

VI. Timeframe:

Immediate action is recommended to ensure that the following newly formed and executed PIGs (subject to BOT approval) can be launched to “operationalize” the framework elements no later than December 31, 2019:

1. Development of L-Lahui level policies – Action Items BOT #19-05 (April 4, 2019) and #19-06 (on the May 30, 2019 BOT agenda);

2. Alignment and update of existing BOT By-Laws – Action Item BOT #19-07 (on the May 30, 2019 BOT agenda);

3. Development of T-Trustee level policies - TBD;

4. Development of C-CEO level policies - TBD; and

5. Incorporation of completed and approved work products of the Board Governance Framework PIG, L-Lahui Level Policies PIG, Board of Trustees By-Laws PIG, T-Trustee Level Policies PIG, and C-CEO Level Policies; and alignment and update of existing Board governance documents. - Action Item BOT #19-08 (on the May 30, 2019 BOT agenda).

VII. Attachment: None