Minutes of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees
Thursday, June 7, 2018
10:00 am

ATTENDANCE:
TRUSTEE COLETTE MACHADO
TRUSTEE DAN AHUNA
TRUSTEE LEINA'ALA AHU ISA
TRUSTEE W. KEL'I'AKINA
TRUSTEE ROBERT LINDSEY
TRUSTEE JOHN WAIHE'E IV

LISA CATALDO, ESQ., BOARD COUNSEL

EXCUSED:
TRUSTEE PETER APO
TRUSTEE ROWENA AKANA
TRUSTEE CARMEN HULU LINDSEY

ADMINISTRATION STAFF:
KAMANA‘OPONO CRABBE, CEO
LISA VICTOR, COO
MOMILANI LAZO, SR. EA to CEO
STERLING WONG, PR
DAVID LAEHA, CFO
MEHANA HIND, CE
ALBERT TIBERI, CC
BRUTUS LA BENZ, RM
EDWINA MINGLANA PINÉ, HR
EMILY NAKADA, AS
EVERETT OHTA, CC
HOLLY YAMACHIKA, RES
GRACE CHEN, AS
JASON LEES, DPM
JIM MCMAHON, ADV
JIM PATTERSON, PROG
LISA VATKINS-VICTORINO, RES
MILES NISHIJIMA, LPD
OLU CAMPBELL, LAND
PHYLLIS ONO-EVANGELISTA, AS
RYAN LUCINA, AS
SCOTT HAYASHI, LAND ASSET
LEE MILLER, GOV

BOT STAFF:
CAROL HO'OMANA WANUI
LÖPAKA BAPTISTE
DAYNA PA
LAURENE KALUAU-KEALOHA
KAMA HOPKINS
LEHUA ITOKAZU
CLAUDINE CALPITO
LIANA PANG
ALVIN AKEE
DAVIS PRICE
PAUL HARLEMAN
KAUIKEAOLANI WAILEHUA
LADY GARRETT
MARIA CALDERON
MAX MUKAI
MELISSA WENNihan

GUESTS:
NONE
I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Colette Machado calls the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 10:04 am. Roll call is taken; Trustees Ahu Isa, Ahuna, Akina, Robert Lindsey, Waihē’e and Machado are present; constituting a quorum. Excused absences have been received from Trustee Rowena Akana, Trustee Peter Apo and Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey.

Members we will need a 72-Hour Waiver for items II. B. and C. and item V.A.1.

Trustee Dan Ahuna moves for a 72-Hour waivers for the following items:
II. Approval of Minutes
B. May 9, 2018 (Community Meeting)
C. May 10, 2018
V. New Business
A. Committee on Resource Management
   1. Action Item RM 18-06: Approval for the Administration to utilize $500,000 for Emergency Disaster Relief on Kaua‘i and Hawai‘i Islands.

Trustee John Waihē’e IV seconds the motion.

Chair Colette Machado calls for a roll call vote.

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Motion passes with six (6) yes votes and three (3) excused.

Chair Colette Machado – We will now move on to the approval of minutes. We have three meetings, May 9th was our visit to Maui and then we had our community meeting and on May 10th those are Board Meeting minutes. The chair would like to entertain a motion.
II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. May 9, 2018 (Site Visit)
B. May 9, 2018 (Community Meeting)
C. May 10, 2018

Trustee Dan Ahuna moves to approve the Board of Trustees minutes dated May 9, 2018 (site visit), May 9, 2018 (Community Meeting) and May 10, 2018.

Trustee John Waihe'e IV seconds the motion.

Chair Colette Machado – Any discussion, hearing none roll call vote please.

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III. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Chair Colette Machado – Do we have public testimony? Hearing none we will proceed to unfinished business. We will call on the CEO.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. CEO's 15-Minute Update on Ho'oulu Lāhui Aloha and OHA Activities

Kamana'opono Crabbe – Good morning Chair and Trustees. For announcements, the first since it will be fresh as of next week Friday our community engagement, community outreach staff as well as others from OHA will be attending the Kōkua for Kauai OHA outreach event at Kanuikapono Charter Schools as well as another team will be at Koloa Neighborhood center. They will be assisting the community with intake forms. Hopefully that will be discussing soon. So they will be out there next week Friday from 5:30 till 6:30 pm. Then next week Saturday OHA’s community outreach staff will be participating with the County of Kauai and other State Agencies as part of a Flood Relief sources fair it will be at Hanalei Elementary School next week Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm. I want to acknowledge our community outreach staff as well as others that will be supporting the relief efforts on Kauai.

Second we just recently entered into a formal partnership with OHA, the Kamehameha Schools and Hawaii Tourism Authority. As you know the legislation passed a resolution for the Year of the Hawaiian. They will be a
concert on August 4th at the Aloha Stadium in the lower parking lot. We are still trying to finalize the details but it’s another collaboration that OHA is doing with Kamehameha Schools and HTA. That is a good thing.

Third I shared this announcement earlier, since it is getting close in about three weeks. Our first ever Hoolau Kanaka ‘aina Summit 2018 sponsored by OHA, Kamehameha Schools and Department of Land and Natural Resources. Friday and Saturday, June 29th-30th from camp Kokokahi YMCA in Kaneohe. We have 100 percent attendance and so we will be expecting 100 plus people from different community organizations, we have some County, State representation, Native Hawaiian Organizations or serving organizations will be participating specifically on challenges within our community and trying to really come up with solutions to open pathways to better stewardship our lands and resources. So it looks like we are on a successful attendance and we have some very notable community cultural practitioners and leaders being present.

At this time Chair and Trustees, we have a number of new staff that has joined OHA and we want to welcome them and introduce you to them. First, is our new Research Executive Assistance her name is Holly Namachika, could you please stand Holly. Also joining us is one of new grants specialist, Kia’i Lee. He is probably doing an evaluation on one of our grants. Next is our commercial properties specialist working with Miles Nishijima, Lee Miller. Joining our IT group, we have a new web developer to help us with your site, Anson Gutierrez. Joining our accounting staff is a budget analyst Grace Chen. Our new comptroller for our accounting is Ryan Lucina. Aloha and welcome to all of you to OHA this is the Board of Trustees. That’s it Madame Chair.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Chair Colette Machado – Thank you Kamana’opono Crabbe. We are now on V. New Business. Item A. Committee on Resource Management. Referral of Action Item RM 18-06. I’d like to call on Trustee John Waihe’e IV the Vice-Chair of the RM Committee.

A. Committee on Resource Management

I. Action Item RM 18-06: Approval for the Administration to utilize $500,000 for Emergency Disaster Relief on Kaua‘i and Hawai‘i Islands.

Trustee John Waihe’e IV moves to authorize administration to utilize $500,000 for Emergency Disaster Relief on Kaua‘i and Hawai‘i islands.

Trustee Dan Ahuna seconds the motion.

Chair Colette Machado – For the record before we call for the vote. You have received a certification of Funding Availability from David Laeha our CFO which will be part of the official action item. (Certification Memo is attached). With that said, any discussion.

Trustee Keli‘i Akina – First, the most important comment I want to make is that I am very proud of OHA for being able to respond so quickly to the needs of those on Kaua‘i and I commend the administration and Trustee Dan and his staff for doing that. Appreciated. Secondly, I wanted to cooperate with this so today, you have my affirmative vote yes, but I want to recommend that the RM committee take a further look at how we can support this measure for the sake of our beneficiaries. For a few items, the first would be this, we acted in an ad hoc fashion to respond to an emergency which is good. But I think it’s good for us to have the RM lead us in forming some emergency relief policies so that we are prepared for the future for any kind of emergency. We’ve had so many, so sad to see what is happening on the Big Island and Kaua‘i. Our Mayors last night talked about the fact that we are entering hurricane season. I am recommending RM lead us in developing emergency relief policy so we don’t deal with them each one at a time.
Secondly, I do have some concern as to how we identify beneficiaries. The work of the kalo farmers is so important and we heard them here at the board. But there are other Hawaiian businesses as well that may not be considered in this package so I just want to raise that as something that we should look at.

The final thing I hope that the RM Committee will deal with how we can best serve our beneficiaries by monitoring and evaluating. We’ve had some recommendations from the State Auditor as to the monitoring and evaluation of our grants. I hope we can implement them. Perhaps some of these grants that are going to third parties could have some auditing done. So Madame Chair, I am just making a recommendation for further research by RM.

Chair Colette Machado – So noted. I have received and email from Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey prior to her training in New York. I responded by saying in some of the issues raised I would prefer if it was referred back to her committee for discussion rather than amending at the table. I believe she has taken that into consideration and that will occur.

Trustee Keli‘i Akina – Thank you Madame Chair I am glad that we will be looking into it.

Trustee Robert Lindsey – Thank you Madame Chair. I too, would like to add my mahalo to Administration. To Mehana and her group in particular for all of the help and kōkua they have been giving to advancing this action item forward for Kaua‘i and Hawai‘i.

Trustee Dan Ahuna – I also want to thank our administrative staff for working hard in this short period of time. They did a lot of work and I also would like to thank the people of Kaua‘i leading the way for us so that we can see the importance of how we can help and just want to thank all the people in the community who took us around. Thank you everybody for supporting this.

Trustee Leina‘ala Abu Isa – I did get the amendment also, the email from Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey. Which after I read, I think she wanted it to be introduced at this meeting because she wasn’t going to be here. John you were going to do it.

Trustee John Waihe‘e IV – Madame Chair, she did want that initially apparently her and Chair had a discussion and she was ok with the action item.

Trustee Leina‘ala Abu Isa – I wanted to add, quoting the bible, “there is season for everything, there is a time to sow, a time to reap”, right now it’s the time to help our people emergency. I don’t think we need another policy at this point or even consider it because we have to vote on this to get it out to pass. I thank administration for working on it. No more delays. We should have voted on this the first day instead of going through all the committees. That is how the policy bogs everything down. So sometimes I am opposed to policies and that is all I have to say. There is a time for everything and now is the time for people who are waiting and waiting over a month Kaua‘i, 4 weeks Big Island.

Trustee Dan Ahuna – 2 months.

Trustee John Waihe‘e IV – I also want to thank administration for all the work they did but I also want to thank Trustee Dan Ahuna. Commend him for a doing a good job as well.

Chair Colette Machado – This motion will require 6 votes as needed because it is an unbudgeted item. So roll call vote please.
Trustee John Waihe‘e IV moves to authorize administration to utilize $500,000 for Emergency Disaster Relief on Kaua‘i and Hawai‘i Island. Trustee Dan Ahuna seconds the motion.

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B. Report by the Ad Hoc Committee on Grants and Sponsorships of its findings and recommendations related to Kūlia Grants, without discussion.

Chair Colette Machado – Members we are now on V.B. there is no action that will be needed just a circulation of the Ad Hoc Committee on Grants and Sponsorships related to the Kūlia Grants. The report from the Ad Hoc Committee on Grants and Sponsorships related to Kūlia Grants is included in your folder and was circulated earlier this week. It is being presented to the Board pursuant to Section 92-2.5(b)(1)(B), HRS. No discussion can take place at this meeting, pursuant to the Sunshine Law. A third meeting will be placed on an agenda at a later time. Discussion on the report will take place at that time.

VI. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Chair Colette Machado – We have no community concerns.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Colette Machado – If there is no further business I’d like to entertain a motion to adjourn.

Trustee Dan Ahuna moves to adjourn.

Trustee John Waihe‘e IV seconds the motion.

Chair Colette Machado – Roll call vote please.
Trustee Dan Ahuna moves to adjourn. Trustee John Waihe'e IV seconds the motion.

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The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Dayna M., Board Secretary

As approved by the Board of Trustees on June 21, 2018.

Colette Y. Machado, Chairperson
Board of Trustees

Attachment:
1. Excuse memo – Trustee Rowena Akana
2. Excuse memo – Trustee Peter Apo
3. Excuse memo – Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey
4. Memo from David Lahea to Kamana‘opono Crabbe dated June 5, 2018 – Certification of Funding Availability for the Committee on Resource Management Action Item RM #18-06
To: Chairperson Colette Y. Machado  
Board of Trustees  

From: Trustee Rowena Akana  

Date: June 6, 2018  

Re: Excused Absence  

Please be advised that I am unable to attend the Board of Trustees meeting on June 7, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  

Mahalo!
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Trustee Colette Machado, BOT Chair
    Trustee Dan Ahuna, BOT Vice-Chair

FROM: Trustee Peter Apo

DATE: June 1, 2018

RE: BOT Meeting Absence on June 7, 2018

I am unable to attend the BOT Meeting on June 7, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. Please excuse my absence and extend my apologies to the members of the Board.

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

Mahalo.
DATE: June 6, 2018

TO: Trustee Colette Y. Machado, BOT Chairperson
    Trustee Dan Ahuna, BOT Vice-Chairperson

FROM: Trustee Hulu Lindsey

SUBJECT: Excused Absence for BOT Meeting on June 7, 2018

Please excuse my absence for the BOT meeting held on June 7, 2018. I am attending the JP Morgan – Global Real Estate Conference. Please extend my sincere apologies to the members of the committee.

Mahalo
Date: June 5, 2018

To: Kamana’opono M. Crabbe, Ka Pouhana

From: David Laeha, Chief Financial Officer

Subject: CERTIFICATION OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY FOR THE COMMITTEE ON RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACTION ITEM #18-06

Certification of Funding Availability
Committee on Resource Management
Action Item #18-06
May 30, 2018

I hereby certify the funds required for the Committee on Resource Management Action Item #18-06 are currently available within OHA’s FY 2018 Core Operating Budget.

David Laeha
Ka Pou Kihi Kanaloa-Wai, Chief Financial Officer

6/5/2018
Date