

STATE OF HAWAI‘I
OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
560 N. NIMITZ HIGHWAY, SUITE 200
(VIRTUAL MEETING - VIA ZOOM WEBINAR)

Due to COVID-19, the OHA Board of Trustees and its standing committees will hold virtual meetings until further notice. Pursuant to Governor Ige’s January 26, 2022 Emergency Proclamation Related to COVID-19 (Omicron Variant), there will be no in-person location for this meeting that is open to the general public. The virtual meeting can be viewed and observed via livestream on OHA’s website at www.oha.org/livestream or can be listened to by phone via the phone number and Webinar ID listed at the beginning of this agenda.

**Minutes of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs
Board of Trustees
MINUTES
March 7, 2022**

ATTENDANCE:

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

BOT STAFF:

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

GUEST:

Keani Rawlins Fernandes
Manuel Kuloloio
Bronson Azama
Germaine Meyers

ADMINISTRATION:

Sylvia Hussey, CEO
Casey Brown, COO
Ramona Hink, CFO
Robert Klein, Board Counsel
Everett Ohta, Interim General Counsel
Nietzsche Ozawa, Interim Sr. Legal Counsel
Kevin Chak - IT Support
Daniel Santos-IT Support

Call to Order

Chair Hulu Lindsey Calls the Board of Trustees Meeting to order for Monday, March 7, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. Board Secretary, please do a roll call.

MEMBERS			Present	TIME ARRIVED
TRUSTEE	LEINA‘ALA	AHU ISA	X	
TRUSTEE	DAN	AHUNA	X	
TRUSTEE	KALEI	AKAKA	X	
TRUSTEE	KELI‘I	AKINA	X	
TRUSTEE	LUANA	ALAPA	X	
TRUSTEE	BRENDON KALEI‘ĀINA	LEE	X	
<i>HAWAI‘I</i>	<i>ISLAND TRUSTEE SEAT</i>	<i>VACANT</i>		Trustee K. Lindsey resigned on 2/1/2022
TRUSTEE	JOHN	WAIHE‘E	X	
CHAIRPERSON	CARMEN HULU	LINDSEY	X	
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At the Call to Order, **eight (8)** Trustees are PRESENT, thereby constituting a quorum.

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Let me go over some quick announcements, please mute your mics when you are not speaking. We are recording today’s meeting for the sole purpose of producing written minutes, which will become the official record of this meeting.

Joining the Trustees today is my Aides-Kanani Iaea and Amber Kalua, and our Board Secretary-Lehua Itokazu. With us today is Robert Klein, our Board Counsel, and Sylvia Hussey, our CEO. I will now call on Sylvia, our Pouhana, to announce our administration staff who is joining us today.

Sylvia Hussey, CEO Thank you Chair and good morning, Trustees. We have our COO-Casey Brown, CFO-Ramona Hink, Interim General Counsel-Everett Ohta, Interim Senior Legal Counsel Nietsche Ozawa, and we are always supported by Kevin and Dan from our IT department.

Public Testimony

Chair Hulu Lindsey In order to allow time for everyone to testify you will be given 2 minutes to share your mana‘o. Your name will be called, and your microphone will be unmuted when it is your turn to testify, if you are not audible you will be muted, and the next testifier will be called. I will call on first speaker

Keani Rawlins Fernandez Aloha honorable Trustees, mahalo for this opportunity to testify in support of agenda item III. A. Confirmation by roll call of the third round of voting taken on Thursday, February 24, 2022 for the OHA Board of Trustees to select Mililani B. Trask as Hawai‘i Island Trustee. Laws can often be a moving target as they can change from year to the next. What was permissible in prior years may now require different procedures to conform with the new laws. For this reason, I commend the Board of Trustees

for protecting their previous vote for Ms. Mililani Trask. I trust the decision to be made by those in our lāhui over the winds that may not always align with us and may have taken action to undermine our efforts to advance our initiatives and protect our interest. Mahalo piha again, for this opportunity to testify in support of this action.

Manuel Kuloloia Aloha Aunty Hulu, Vice Chair person, Ahu Isa, and Trustees, my name is Manuel Kuloloia. Today is a beautiful day as we have just heard by the Secretary of Defense that he will stop, defuel, and permanently decommission Red Hill. I am honored to testify today in support of your unfinished business agenda item III.A. for the confirmation by roll call of the third round of voting taken on Thursday, February 24, 2022, for the OHA Board of Trustees to select Aunty Mililani B. Trask as Hawaii Island Trustee. I have known Aunty Mililani Trask since I was a young man. Infact, I've known her sisters before Aunty Mililani, she is a very brilliant person. I've had the honor of cleaning ka La Hui, printing from John Kelly at his black point Residence for my room and board while attending the University of Hawai'i at Manoa. Today, I am thinking of the promise of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and the con con of 1978 with Governor Waihee and all the beautiful people that have come before, even though we had hukihuki with OHA there is a great promise that we may come to a consensus, unify, and focus there is nothing we can not do. Aunty Hulu, my love to you and thank you for supporting Aunty Mililani B. Trask.

Bronson Azama I appreciate the transparency process as Keanu brought up earlier. I am also in support from the previous testifier, I really hope that all follows through. I deeply support Aunty Mililani and all the things that she has done for our lāhui and that we don't allow the powers of this authority of decision to fall into the Governor's hands. I am in deep support and kāko'o in supporting the appointing of Aunty Mililani into this position and join the Board. Her wisdom and knowledge as a kupuna will be of great value to all of us, opio who are trying to learn what it means to govern ourselves especially, since times are changing. We do value the ike of our kupuna and hopefully some great work can be done, with that being said, thank you for allowing me to testify, and eo to the shut down of Red Hill. Mahalo to OHA for the work in that area too and to our community for continuing to preassure the Navy to shut down these things for future generations, mahalo.

Germaine Meyers Aloha, for the record my name is Germaine Meyers. Chair and Trustees, like others I follow the process from the very beginning. At the last board meeting on day one, I heard public testimony by the lāhui. On day two, I heard the three nominees share their manao, then I heard numerous questions given by trustees to each of the nominations and I heard the nominee's answers. I heard all of you all together in OHA's board room while the rest of us was watching virtually. You all witnessed each other handing your secret ballots for three rounds of voting, which was counted and verified by Board Counsel, Judge Klein. Judge Klein stated in round three, there was six votes for Mililani Trask, one vote for Lanakila Mangauil, and one vote for Kaloa Robinson; however, sunshine law was revised on January 1, 2022, due to the pandemic that caused us to have virtual meetings. The new rule for virtual meetings require votes to be done by roll call, that's the only step in the process for us to now witness, the voting by roll call. Is this a waste of time? Of your time or my time? A'ole, this is not a waste of time. Mililani B. Trask has sacrificed much of her time in the service of others. She serves as legal counsel to a Kamehameha school student that was alleged to have been sexually molested along with many other students by Kamehameha schools' paid psychiatrist, pedophile. She started a non-profit never a for profit organization called the Gibson Foundation to serve Hawaiian families into qualifying for new homes. She serves our communities for decades every month on her first Friday show, and she co-founded Ka Lāhui to give a voice to our lāhui. To sacrifice and serve time, time again for others is the legacy of Mililani B. Trask. A'ole, this is not a waste of time. Mahalo ke akua and mahalo Trustees.

Unfinish Business

Chair Hulu Lindsey Thank you Germaine. Okay, we will move on to item III. Unfinish Business. Confirmation by roll call of the third round of voting taken on Thursday, February 24, 2022 for the OHA Board of Trustees to select Mililani B. Trask as Hawai'i Island Trustee.

Trustees, this roll call is to confirm each Trustee's vote cast in the third round of voting last Thursday, February 24, 2022 for the Hawai'i Island Trustee candidates. As your name is called please answer by stating I confirm that I voted for ___. We had three candidates, they were Lanakila, Kaloa, and Mililani. Board Secretary to call on each Trustee.

Trustee Ahu Isa I confirm I voted for Mililani.

Trustee Ahuna I confirm I voted for Lanakila Mangauil.

Trustee Akaka I confirm I voted for Mililani B. Trask.

Trustee Akina I confirm I voted for Mililani Trask.

Trustee Alapa I confirm I voted for Mililani Trask.

Trustee Lee I confirm I voted for Kaloa Robinson.

Trustee Waihee I confirm I voted for Mililani Trask.

Chair Hulu Lindsey I confirm I voted for Mililani Trask.

Final Confirmations

Lanakila Mangauil – (1) one confirmation

Kaloa Robinson – (1) one confirmation

Mililani Trask – (6) six confirmations

Chair Hulu Lindsey I want to thank our beneficiaries for being such devoted people. All of our candidates are great candidates, and this is a temporary position until November so, all of you can run in the election, it is your decision. We thank you for all the interest and for those that did not get nominated, we thank you for the interest in the lāhui and as *inaudible*.

Announcements

Chair Hulu Lindsey Our next BOT meeting will be on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 10 am.

Trustee Akaka Our next BAE meeting will be tomorrow, Tuesday, March 8th. At 10 am.

Trustee Waihe'e We do have an RM meeting at 1:30pm tomorrow.

Adjournment

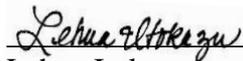
Trustee Akaka Moves to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Akina Seconds the motion.

Adjournment							
TRUSTEE		1	2	'AE (YES)	A'OLE (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
LEINA'ALA	AHU ISA			X			
DAN	AHUNA			X			
KALEIHIKINA	AKAKA	X		X			
KELI'I	AKINA		X	X			
LUANA	ALAPA			X			
BRENDON KALEI'ĀINA	LEE			X			
HAWAII ISLAND TRUSTEE SEAT VACANT							
JOHN	WAIHE'E			X			
CHAIR CARMEN HULU	LINDSEY			X			
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				8			

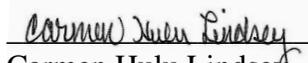
Chairperson Carmen Hulu Lindsey Adjourns the Board of Trustees meeting at 12:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lehua Itokazu
Board Secretary

As approved by the Board of Trustees on April 7, 2022.



Carmen Hulu Lindsey
Chairperson, Board of Trustees