

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

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**Minutes of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs
Board of Trustees
MINUTES
April 29, 2021**

ATTENDANCE:

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

BOT STAFF:

Colin Kippen
Amber Kalua
Kanani Iaea
Lehua Itokazu

ADMINISTRATION STAFF:

Sylvia Hussey, Ka Pouhana / CEO
Casey Brown, Pou Nui / COO
Kalani Fronda, Land Assets Director
Raina Gushiken, CC
Everett Ohta, CC
Ramona Hink, CFO
Sterling Wong, Chief Advocate
Kevin Chak, IT Support
Erin Nakama, IT Support
Robert Klein, Board Counsel

GUEST:

Michelle Makalua-Yee
Summer Fukumitsu
Kolea Fukumitsu
Skye Razon-Olds
Kaniloa Kamaunu
Noelani Ahia

Call to Order

Chair Hulu Lindsey Calls the Board of Trustees Meeting to order for Thursday April 29, 2021 at 10:01 a.m. Chair Hulu Lindsey calls for 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	
TRUSTEE	KEOLA	LINDSEY	X	
TRUSTEE	JOHN	WAIHE‘E		Joins mtg. at 10:05 am
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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Before we begin, I would like to note that items: III.B. 1,2, & 3 and III.C. 1& 2 were received under the 72 hour deadline. Let me go over some quick announcements. Please mute your mics when you are not speaking. Trustees and our CEO please enable your cameras if you are able to do so. All other OHA staff please enable your camera and mic when addressing the board. If you get disconnected, we will pause the meeting for one minute and wait for you to log back on. After one minute we will proceed with the meeting. If you need to leave the meeting, please inform the Chair by announcing that you are leaving the mtg. 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 our CEO-Sylvia Hussey, Colin Kippen-COS, Lehua Itokazu-Board Secretary, and my Aides-Kanani Iaea and Amber Kalua.

I will now call on Sylvia to announce our administrative staff joining us today.

Sylvia Hussey, CEO Good Morning Trustees. Today, we have COO-Casey Brown, CFO-Ramona Hink, Chief Advocate-Sterling Wong, Land Director-Kalani Fronda, Senior Legal Counsel-Raina Gushiken, Legal Counsel-Everett Ohta, and our IT Staff for support.

Public Testimony

Chair Hulu Lindsey We will move on to our public testimony. I will have our Board Secretary announce each person.

Board Secretary Michelle Makalua-Yee

Michelle Makalua-Yee Aloha Kākou, thank you for allowing me to speak today. I am currently a farmer in Maunaloa, Oahu. I am here to speak specifically on iwi kupuna – mālama iwi kupuna. Our lives are busy, and we have to navigate many spaces, but we have a legacy of proud navigators. I am here to lovingly remind all of us, the importance of mālama iwi kupuna. This includes making sure those who in wailoa, remain so. Undisturbed. Those kupuna who have been disturbed for development and other purposes should absolutely be placed back to papa, earth mother, without delay. We must be aware of what is happening to our ‘āina on each island. Each island faces unprecedented development, we need to look at Kuloa and poliahe on Kaua‘i. We must remember Honokahua and presently Maui Lani. We need to look at Kawaiha‘o church, which is a sad situation considering these kupuna were placed there with the intention of that would be their final resting place. They were later exhumed to build a larger space for the living and they remain unsettled. I would like to remind all of us during this restructuring that the oversight of such departments; as Compliance is absolutely necessary. They should have priority, we can not rely on State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) or Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to do the right thing. I would like to remind all of us that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) has a fiduciary duty to us, the kanaka maoli-beneficiaries. The DLNR along with SHPD also has a public trust obligation by the law to the indigenous community. The laws are designed to protect our ancestral foundation, which must be improving reverence and respect for our iwi kupuna. At present the dismal reality is the all might american dollar prevails and the active principles and practices under our current government favor resource extraction, exploitation, and land development. The entire system is a void of trust, respect, balance, and harmony. We, I speak as part of a group – Hui Na o Iwi, we actively seek justice and we work to prevent the disturbance of our iwi kupuna while being painfully aware of the systemic oppression. The following is statement from the OHA website and its a beautiful statement, I just want to share it:

He ali‘i ka ‘āina, he kauwā ke kanaka – *Land is the chief, man is it’s servant*. This olelo no‘eau goes directly to your strategic plan under Mana I Maui Ola Strategic Planning which recognizes the connection that native Hawaiians have to the ‘āina as a foundational strength. Our kupuna view land as life and viewed with mana and our ‘āina provides everything we need on an intimate level. As kanaka maoli we are connected to the land by generations of kupuna who lived on the land, generations before us. The emotional ties we have to our families and aloha ‘āina we have for them extends to the land. I just want to mahalo all of you and again encourage you to not to forget mālama iwi kupuna is not only about putting them back into the ground after they’re disturbed but to please support those enforcement and compliance departments that are absolutely critical in making sure that the kupuna are not disturbed in the first place. – Mahalo.

Trustee Dan Ahuna I just want to say mahalo to the last speaker.

Kolea Fukumitsu Aloha Chair Lindsey and trustees. I wanted to thank you for giving us the time to speak on this agenda item. My name is Kolea Fukumitsu, I am a beneficiary for Hakipu‘u, Ko‘olaupoko. I am here today to speak on agenda item III. B. 2: Approve the Awarding of Iwi Kupuna and Reinternment Grant. Mahalo to OHA and everyone here for providing this to our lāhui. It is powerful that you are providing the proper care on the treatment of our iwi kupuna. I whole heartedly believe the resources this grant will provide will ensure our iwi kupuna are properly cared for with material and protocols that show the love and respect that we have for them. Also, this grant will provide training, educate our communities, and our next generation in malama iwi kupuna practices. I want to mahalo for this grant opportunity. I also wanted to

testify on this today because when I look at this task force, tasked before us and the sacred work of malama iwi kupuna and it is heav? Over whelming at times. I spent my whole like watching my Dad Keoki Fukumitsu, come before this board for over forty plus years and he petitioned support from OHA for many items; land, water rights, native tenants rights, and everything connected to our culture and who we are. I am second generation and I am worried that my kids will have to do this. I do not want them in the future in front of this council, broken and distraught asking for the same support and advocacy. I am asking the leaders of our lāhui look beyond this step of just providing funds and truly look for ways to empower the lāhui in areas of iwi kupuna. Compliance and advocacy is one of our most solid places we can turn to for legal support. They help us towards the right resources that we need. I speak for Hakipuu but I speak on all pae'aina. Everyone uses them and we are grateful for them. Mahalo Trustees for giving time to me to speak on this.

Summer Fukumitsu Aloha Chair Hulu, Vice-Chair, and Trustees. I am a beneficiary from Hakipuu, Koolaupoko, Oahu. I am here today to speak on agenda item III. B. 2: to approve the the awarding of iwi Kupuna Reinternment Grants. First, I would like to mahalo OHA for your leadership as advocates for native Hawaiians for your continue commitment to providing resources for our lāhui to empower and improve our well being as a people. Through this grant, OHA has taken the initiative not only acknowledging the care of our iwi kupuna but taken the steps, the necessary and appropriate resources are provided across the State to truly malama iwi kupuna. I am also grateful for OHA's commitment to improving the conditions of native Hawaiians through its compliance enforcement programs which has continued to work with our communities offering support and education on Hawaiian issues. Through this malama iwi kupuna grant OHA's commitment to establish a burial site working group, I am very grateful that we are moving forward in protecting iwi kupuna and ensuring the government systems and laws are being complied with. However, although we are grateful for the funding, I do believe our goal in malama iwi kupuna should start with stopping the desecration and disinterment of the iwi. I whole heartedly that OHA's commitment to advocacy could also use their resources to support and advocate for the overwhelming issues we are facing across every island. The sacred work of malama iwi kupuna is being undermined by a broken system, our State historic preservation division has a well-established history of systemic mismanagement, a pattern of not adhering to their own burial laws and outright refusing to carry out their fiduciary duties. The facts of the systemic mismanagement are overwhelming. Our islands burial council throughout Hawaii are crippled because of the state's failure to appoint regional representatives despite OHA providing a full list of recommendations to the Governor's office. Next month, the O'ahu island burial council will only have three appointed council members out of the required nine positions, leaving our burial council with quorum or a Chair to carry out important business on agendas that are time sensitive. One of those agenda items being Kawaiha'o, a dispute that's been ongoing for at least ten years. We have Kanaka on the frontlines through out the pae'aina in desperate need of support and advocacy. In Kaua'ula on Maui beneficiaries are being arrested but also harrassed under a mountain of lawsuits, all while trying to deal with trauma, kaumaha and hewa that comes with the desecration of iwi kupuna. In Hakipu'u, despite exhausting SHPD administrator process, I had to stand with my keiki as they witness their dad being carried away by officers for trying to protect and preserve a burial site. Through out all of this we look to your leadership. We look to OHA for your support, resources, and advocacy. That goes beyond funding through grants. We, your beneficiaries are being overwhelmed, criminalized, and dis-empowered as we fight to protect iwi kupuna. I humbly and respectfully ask you as a powerful leader to stand with your beneficiaries in this battle to protect what is so sacred to all of us, malama iwi kupuna. First, I ask you to consider this reorg within OHA that would remove one of your most essential means of advocacy for malama iwi kupuna. The compliance and advocacy program, I've sat at the past meetings and I worry that in this time where we need your compliance and enforcement program – we are at risk of losing it. The compliance program is essential for holding entities like SHPD accountable

for mismanagement of their burial sites program. We also need legal support for the frontline kiai. We need OHA to continue to make strong statements in support. *Inaudible*

We need you to help us to rise up and truly malama iwi kupuna so our keiki doesn't inherit this kaumaha. Again, mahalo for this malama iwi kupuna grant and I ask that OHA go beyond this funding to offer other means of support to truly set an example of malama iwi kupuna. Mahalo

Skye Razon-Olds I would like to echo everything the other community members have said. I am a lineal descendant, a mokapu currently at Kaneohe Marine Corp base. I am in support of the iwi kupuna grants. As a lineal descendant of mokapu and having kuleana to reenter over 3,000 kupuna who have been out of the ground for close to a hundred years. I've even had kupuna pass away with this tremendous task still on us. My major concern is with this reorganization going on with in OHA. The compliance and enforcement department potentially being closed, I am concerned that these grants are a way to throw money at the reburial process and your organization will no longer have iwi kupuna advocates who are assisting placement measures and assisting descendants with learning and understanding the laws. Me and my ohana are standing against an entire military force, we've been requesting our kupuna be placed back into the ground for twenty plus years at this point. If we do not have OHA's support with the compliance department, I do not know how this tremendous task can get done. This task doesn't just benefit my ohana but the entire Lahui, it over 3,000 kupuna who do need the assistance of the compliance and enforcement offices. I want to thank you for the grants. It is an amazing opportunity to make sure community has the support. I am asking you today, who will be on the front lines advocating for our kupuna after this restructuring? Mahalo for allowing this testimony.

Kaneloa Kamaunu Aloha, I am under the weather. I hope you can understand what I am saying. The land legacy is one of the questions I had. I did look it up but I am wondering Of purchasing real estate as part of OHA's initiative to raise funding exactly the appropriation would be. I was trying to look that up but I could not find anything. If there could be more information on what happens to the funds that you hope to gain through the acquisitions would be helpful. The allocations for the protection of iwi kupuna, of course, I am in support of that as I've been engaged for the last eleven or twelve years. With constant bombardments and developments coming up and finding of iwi, I am glad we are moving forward but I think what needs to be addressed is the archaeology work that is being done. I have found that the way they work is detrimental, this has been my experience. In Maui, we have advocated for county archaeologist *inaudible*.

Our iwi kupuna have been provided legislation from our Kingdom, which is an act for protection of the signature in 1860 which outlines the protection that needs to be given. Also, what gives to those should they desecrate our burials and our iwi kupuna? So that also needs to be incorporated, the State needs to stop looking at our iwi kupuna as Native Hawaiians which under Federal act 20 and 42 recognizes citizens of the United States. They need to have the law from 1860 to protect them. That is why it was incorporated, and it needs to be promoted so that they will have full protection that was given to them when they were laid upon those areas. Along with the council and things you are implementing there needs to be Board to review archaeological work and there needs to be the right classification of our iwi as Kanaka Maoli as citizens or subjects of the Kingdom. Thank you for your time. Mahalo.

Noelani Ahia Aloha Kākou and Board of Trustees. I just wanted to talk about item III. B. 2. I am in support of it. I will say there were some barriers for that grant. I did notice that only four groups got large grants. A lot of the people doing front line work are not connected to the non-profits so it makes it challenging. I am connected to a non-profit and we had some barriers with the application process and also the timeline for it. It was a very quick process. With all the work being done on the ground we were not able to get all the answers we needed in time to submit. When it comes to malama iwi kupuna, we are mostly doing things out of our own pocket. We grow the wauke and make our own kapa. We are doing things with very little resource and

that is okay. What I am concerned about is getting more help in legal representation. Other speakers spoke about helping us on protecting iwi so they don't get desecrated in the first place. We all know there is a huge issue with SHPD and with a dismantling of the burial sites program, since it's inception. We want to thank OHA for taking on the important kuleana of putting together the Senate resolution 171. I am very excited because I feel like its a very important opportunity to put on the record our collective issues across the pae 'āina, that directly affect iwi kupuna when it comes to SHPD's kuleana and it's unfulfilled kuleana. For me, my first role is a health practitioner and I want to foresee the care and protection of iwi kupuna is directly connected to the help and wellbeing of kanaka maoli. In my own practices of health practitioner, I began to understand that our oppression, our erasure, our cultural dissonance, and the dispossession of our people is one of the major causes of our health outcomes. That is what led me into protection of iwi kupuna, I could see the disconnection that is happening to our people and our political status – our people are sick and hurting. When we look at what is happening to our people in real time today and we look at what is happening to our iwi kupuna those two things mirror each other very closely. There is a psychic fracturing and a cultural fracturing and a literal fracturing. Two weeks ago, there was an iwi kupuna in Wailuku at the new Maui County civic center, it's going to be a parking lot. The construction worker was not following the archaeological monitors instructions to go six inches at a time, and he took out 80% of an iwi kupuna in one scoop. This is coming about a year later after Waipo Light industrial desecrated ten burials. The first two were taken out in one scoop with a D-9 dozer and this is with a State permitted archaeological firm monitor on site. The programs and processes we have in place do not work. I echo what Uncle Kaneloa says we have archaeological firms that are not qualified and despite our contested cases we did not get remedy from the State. We were not able to stop this particular archaeological firm from getting another permit despite they do not have a principal investigator on site. They have a very long history of no findings in an AIS and as soon as the construction starts they find burials. The problem with that is, if it found during an AIS or by oral and written testimony its gets a different level of protection than if its found during monitoring. Then SHPD gives a determination with in 48 hours of the landowner asking for determination. We skip over the mindfulness and the cooperation that should happen. I am here today to thank you for these grants but to also look at how you can find other resources to support frontline kia'i. Mahalo nui for your time today.

Faye McFarlane Aloha, I am testifying today on behalf of Aha moku o Maui. I just wanted to express multiple cultural practitioners have expressed their support for iwi kupuna grants but echo the sentiments there is a greater need for more protection before the desecration occurs. As a nonprofit that was eligible to apply for the grant there were decisions made; we presume that OHA would choose to distribute those resources to hopefully other hui's who would be able to engage in the kind of frontline activities that our members are already going out of pocket. This means designing repositories, creating burial treatment plans, prevention of desecration before it occurs, and other essential activities. We do support the grants but we hope in the future, should these opportunities be made available to non profits and perhaps other small grass roots organizations, the selection process aim to distribute those funds to kanaka practitioners and not just an academic setting. Mahalo for your time today on behalf of Aha moku o Maui.

III. New Business

A. Committee on Resource Management

- 1. Action Item RM #21-04: Approval of a Third Amendment to BOT #12-05 – Kaka'ako Makai Policy Relating to the Allocation of Revenue from Kaka'ako Makai Properties to the Land Legacy Program. (2nd reading)**

Chair Hulu Lindsey Moving on to new business. I would like to call upon Trustee Waihe'e

Trustee Waihe‘e Your Committee on Resource Management, having met on April 20, 2021 and after full and free discussion, recommends approval of the following two actions to the Board of Trustees: To approve a third amendment to BOT #12-05 – Kaka‘ako Makai Policy, relating to the allocation of revenue from Kaka‘ako Makai properties to the Land Legacy Program at Attachment A, including ministerial edits.

Such an amendment includes the following changes:

- A. Eliminate the allocation of the gross revenues from Kaka‘ako Makai (KM) to OHA’s Grants program
- B. Increase the allocation of the net revenues to OHA’s Legacy Land Program (LLP) from 50% to 60%;
- C. Amend the review date of June 30, 2021 to June 30, 2025; and
- D. Address ministerial edits.

Trustee Ahu Isa Seconds the motion.

Trustee Waihe‘e moves						
To approve a third amendment to BOT #12-05 – Kaka‘ako Makai Policy, relating to the allocation of revenue from Kaka‘ako Makai properties to the Land Legacy Program at Attachment A, including ministerial edits. Such an amendment includes the following changes:						
A. Eliminate the allocation of the gross revenues from Kaka‘ako Makai (KM) to OHA’s Grants program						
B. Increase the allocation of the net revenues to OHA’s Legacy Land Program (LLP) from 50% to 60%;						
C. Amend the review date of June 30, 2021 to June 30, 2025; and						
D. Address ministerial edits.						
Trustee Ahu Isa Seconds the motion.						
	1	2	‘AE (YES)	‘A‘OL E (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEI AHU ISA		X	X			
TRUSTEE DAN AHUNA			X			
TRUSTEE KALEI AKAKA			X			
TRUSTEE KELI‘I AKINA			X			
TRUSTEE LUANA ALAPA			X			
TRUSTEE BRENDON LEE			X			
TRUSTEE KEOLA LINDSEY			X			
TRUSTEE JOHN WAIHE‘E	X		X			

CHAIRPERSON HULU LINDSEY			X			
TOTAL VOTE COUNT			9			
MOTION: [9] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [] FAILED						
Motion passes with nine (9) YES votes and zero (0) EXCUSED vote.						

2. Action Item RM #21-05: Amendment to the Executive Policy Manual Section, Budget Management Policy. (2nd reading)

**Trustee Waihe'e for the second action:
To approve the expansion of the Executive Policy Manual section described in Attachment A:**

- (1) New section 3045 Budget Management;**
- (2) New section 3046 Fiscal Stabilization Policy;**
- (3) Relocate and renumber two sections currently located in section 3050 Fiscal to section 3040 Planning, Programming, Budget; and**
- (4) Relocate and renumber five sections currently located in section 3040 Planning, Programming, Budget to new section 3045 Budget Management.**

Trustee Ahu Isa Seconds the motion

Trustee Waihe'e moves						
To approve the expansion of the Executive Policy Manual section described in Attachment A:						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) New section 3045 Budget Management; (2) New section 3046 Fiscal Stabilization Policy; (3) Relocate and renumber two sections currently located in section 3050 Fiscal to section 3040 Planning, Programming, Budget; and (4) Relocate and renumber five sections currently located in section 3040 Planning, Programming, Budget to new section 3045 Budget Management. 						
Trustee Ahu Isa Seconds the motion.						
	1	2	'AE (YES)	'A'OL E (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEI AHU ISA		X	X			

TRUSTEE DAN	AHUNA			X		
TRUSTEE KALEI	AKAKA			X		
TRUSTEE KELI'I	AKINA			X		
TRUSTEE LUANA	ALAPA			X		
TRUSTEE BRENDON	LEE			X		
TRUSTEE KEOLA	LINDSEY			X		
TRUSTEE JOHN	WAIHE'E	X		X		
CHAIRPERSON HULU	LINDSEY			X		
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				9		
MOTION: [9] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [] FAILED						
Motion passes with nine (9) YES votes and zero (0) EXCUSED vote.						

Chair Hulu Lindsey We are moving on to III. B. I will call on Trustee Waihe'e

B. Joint Meeting of the Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment and the Committee on Resource Management

1. Action Item BAE/RM #21-03: Approve the Awarding and Reallocation of 'Ahahui Grants for a total of \$200,000 from Solicitation No. 21-01, Released February 2021†
2. Action Item BAE/RM #21-04: Approve the Awarding of Iwi Kupuna and Reinternment Grants for a Total of \$144,079 from Solicitation No. 21-02, Released February 2021; and an Additional Award Amount†
3. Action Item BAE/RM #21-05: Approve the Awarding of Homestead Grants for a total of \$250,000 for Solicitation No. 21-03, Released February 2021, and as Additional Award Amount†

Trustee Waihe'e Your Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment (BAE) and your Committee on Resource Management (RM), having met jointly on April 27, 2021 and after full and free discussion, recommends approval of the following SEVEN (7) actions to the Board of Trustees:

Action 1

Approve and award the following Fiscal Year 2021 'Ahahui Grant disbursements totaling \$118,686 from Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530):

Organization Award Amount

1. Maui Nui Botanical Gardens \$ 10,000
2. Refer to Motion #3 below
3. Ke Ao Hali'i \$ 10,000
4. Na Maka Onaona \$ 9,000
5. Na Maka Onaona \$ 10,000
6. Laiopua 2020 \$ 9,733
7. Kukulū Kumuhana O Anahola \$ 10,000
8. Homestead Community Development Corporation \$ 3,450
9. Na Maka Onaona \$ 7,250
10. Wai'anae Economic Development Council \$ 7,300

- 11. **Kaikeha, INC. \$ 4,048**
- 12. **Homestead Community Development Corporation \$ 1,450**
- 13. **Pōhālā I Ka Lan‘i \$ 7,700**
- 14. **Refer to Motion #4 below**
- 15. **Ho‘oulu Lahui \$ 3,655**
- 16. **Hāna Arts \$ 8,500**
- 17. **Refer to Motion #2 below**
- 18. **Papahana Aloha ‘Āina Hawai‘i \$ 8,745**
- 19. **Protect & Preserve Hawai‘i \$ 6,200**
- 20. **Huliauapa‘a \$ 1,655**

Grant Funds Awarded \$118,686
Trustee Akaka Seconds the motion.

Trustee Waihe‘e moves

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- 2. **Refer to Motion #3 below**
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- 6. **Laiopua 2020 \$ 9,733**
- 7. **Kukulu Kumuhana O Anahola \$ 10,000**
- 8. **Homestead Community Development Corporation \$ 3,450**
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- 19. **Protect & Preserve Hawai‘i \$ 6,200**
- 20. **Huliauapaa \$ 1,655**

Grant Funds Awarded \$118,686

Trustee Akaka Seconds the motion.

	1	2	‘AE (YES)	‘A‘OL E (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEI AHU ISA			X			
TRUSTEE DAN AHUNA			X			
TRUSTEE KALEI AKAKA		X	X			
TRUSTEE KELI‘I AKINA			X			

TRUSTEE LUANA	ALAPA			X		
TRUSTEE BRENDON	LEE			X		
TRUSTEE KEOLA	LINDSEY			X		
TRUSTEE JOHN	WAIHE'E	X		X		
CHAIRPERSON HULU	LINDSEY			X		
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				9		
MOTION: [9] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [] FAILED						
Motion passes with nine (9) YES votes and zero (0) EXCUSED vote.						

Action 2

Trustee Waihe'e I would like to move to Approve and award the following Fiscal Year 2021 'Ahahui Grant, disbursements totaling \$10,000 from Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530):

Organization	Award Amount
17. Aloha Week Hawaii DBA Aloha Festivals	\$10,000

Trustee Akaka Seconds the motion.

Trustee Lee I need to inform the Board I have a conflict with this action. My mom sits as a board member on the Aloha Festivals she is also compensated financially for running the Aloha Festivals parade. I'll be recusing myself from this vote.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Thank you Trustee Lee. We certainly appreciate your mothers contribution to this very important traditional parade we have every year. Roll call vote.

Trustee Waihe'e moves						
Approve and award the following Fiscal Year 2021 'Ahahui Grant, disbursements totaling \$10,000 from Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530):						
Organization		Award Amount				
17. Aloha Week Hawaii DBA Aloha Festivals		\$10,000				
Trustee Akaka Seconds the motion.						
		1	2	'AE (YES)	'A'OL E (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)
TRUSTEE LEI	AHU ISA			X		
TRUSTEE DAN	AHUNA			X		
TRUSTEE KALEI	AKAKA		X	X		
TRUSTEE KELI'I	AKINA			X		
TRUSTEE LUANA	ALAPA			X		
TRUSTEE BRENDON	LEE					X

TRUSTEE KEOLA	LINDSEY			X		
TRUSTEE JOHN	WAIHE'E	X		X		
CHAIRPERSON HULU	LINDSEY			X		
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				8		
MOTION: [] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [1] ABSTAIN						
Motion passes with eight (8) YES votes and zero (0) EXCUSED vote.						

Action 3

Trustee Waihe'e I would like to move to Approve and award the following Fiscal Year 2021 'Ahahui Grant, disbursements totaling \$10,000 from Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530):

Organization	Award Amount
2. Moanalua Gardens Foundation	\$10,000

Trustee Akaka Second the motion.

Trustee Lee I need to inform the board that I will be recusing myself from this vote as well as I have a conflict with this motion as well. I personally sit on the board for Moanalua Gardens Foundation. Thank you.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Very well Trustee.

Trustee Waihe'e moves						
Approve and award the following Fiscal Year 2021 'Ahahui Grant, disbursements totaling \$10,000 from Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530):						
Organization		Award Amount				
2. Moanalua Gardens Foundation		\$10,000				
Trustee Akaka Seconds the motion.						
		1	2	'AE (YES)	'A'OL E (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)
TRUSTEE LEI	AHU ISA			X		
TRUSTEE DAN	AHUNA			X		
TRUSTEE KALEI	AKAKA		X	X		
TRUSTEE KELI'I	AKINA			X		
TRUSTEE LUANA	ALAPA			X		
TRUSTEE BRENDON	LEE					X
TRUSTEE KEOLA	LINDSEY			X		
TRUSTEE JOHN	WAIHE'E	X		X		
CHAIRPERSON HULU	LINDSEY			X		

TOTAL VOTE COUNT			8		
MOTION: [] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [1] ABSTAIN					
Motion passes with eight (8) YES votes and zero (0) EXCUSED vote.					

Action 4

Trustee Waihe'e I move to Approve and award the following Fiscal Year 2021

'Ahahui Grant, disbursements totaling \$10,000 from Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530):

Organization	Award Amount
14. Bishop Museum	\$10,000

Trustee Lee Seconds the motion.

Trustee Akaka I would like to inform the board that I will be recusing myself from the vote as my father sits on the board of the Bishop Museum.

Trustee Waihe'e moves						
Approve and award the following Fiscal Year 2021						
'Ahahui Grant, disbursements totaling \$10,000 from Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530):						
Organization		Award Amount				
14. Bishop Museum		\$10,000				
Trustee Lee Seconds the motion.						
	1	2	‘AE (YES)	‘A‘OL E (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEI			X			
TRUSTEE DAN			X			
TRUSTEE KALEI					X	
TRUSTEE KELI‘I			X			
TRUSTEE LUANA			X			
TRUSTEE BRENDON		X	X			
TRUSTEE KEOLA			X			
TRUSTEE JOHN	X		X			
CHAIRPERSON HULU			X			
TOTAL VOTE COUNT			8			
MOTION: [] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [1] ABSTAIN						
Motion passes with eight (8) YES votes and zero (0) EXCUSED vote.						

Action 5

Trustee Waihe'e I move to Approve and reallocate a total of \$51,314 from Fiscal Year 2021 'Ahahui Grant Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530) to:

- A. \$23,219 to Fiscal Year 2021 Iwi Kupuna Repatriation & Reinterment Grant, Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56540); and**
- B. \$28,095 to Fiscal Year 2021 Homestead Community Grant, Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530).**

Trustee Ahuna Seconds the motion.

Trustee Waihe'e moves							
Approve and reallocate a total of \$51,314 from Fiscal Year 2021 'Ahahui Grant Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530) to:							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. \$23,219 to Fiscal Year 2021 Iwi Kupuna Repatriation & Reinterment Grant, Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56540); and B. \$28,095 to Fiscal Year 2021 Homestead Community Grant, Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530). 							
Trustee Ahuna Seconds the motion.							
		1	2	'AE (YES)	'A'OL E (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEI	AHU ISA			X			
TRUSTEE DAN	AHUNA		X	X			
TRUSTEE KALEI	AKAKA			X			
TRUSTEE KELI'I	AKINA			X			
TRUSTEE LUANA	ALAPA			X			
TRUSTEE BRENDON	LEE			X			
TRUSTEE KEOLA	LINDSEY			X			
TRUSTEE JOHN	WAIHE'E	X		X			
CHAIRPERSON HULU	LINDSEY			X			
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				9			
MOTION: [9] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [] ABSTAIN							
Motion passes with nine (9) YES votes and zero (0) EXCUSED vote.							

Action 6

Trustee Waihe'e I move to

A) Approve and award the following Fiscal Year 2021 Iwi Kupuna Repatriation & Reinterment Grant, contracts and disbursements totaling \$144,079 from the Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56540):

- 1. The Hawaiian Church of Hawai'i Nei - \$50,000**
- 2. Hawaiian Islands Land Trust - \$50,000**
- 3. Hui Ho'oniho - \$32,998**
- 4. Ke Ao Hali'i - \$11,081; and**

B) Approve and award an additional amount of \$23,219 to Ke Ao Hali'i, for a total award of \$34,300, from the Fiscal Year 2021 Iwi Kupuna Repatriation and Reinterment Grant, Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56540).

Trustee Akaka Seconds the motion.

Trustee Waihe'e moves						
<p>A) Approve and award the following Fiscal Year 2021 Iwi Kupuna Repatriation & Reinterment Grant, contracts and disbursements totaling \$144,079 from the Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56540):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Hawaiian Church of Hawai'i Nei - \$50,000 2. Hawaiian Islands Land Trust - \$50,000 3. Hui Ho'oniho - \$32,998 4. Ke Ao Hali'i - \$11,081; and <p>B) Approve and award an additional amount of \$23,219 to Ke Ao Hali'i, for a total award of \$34,300, from the Fiscal Year 2021 Iwi Kupuna Repatriation and Reinterment Grant, Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56540).</p>						
Trustee Akaka Seconds the motion.						
	1	2	'AE (YES)	'A'OL E (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEI AHU ISA		X	X			
TRUSTEE DAN AHUNA			X			
TRUSTEE KALEI AKAKA			X			
TRUSTEE KELI'I AKINA			X			
TRUSTEE LUANA ALAPA			X			
TRUSTEE BRENDON LEE			X			
TRUSTEE KEOLA LINDSEY			X			
TRUSTEE JOHN WAIHE'E	X		X			
CHAIRPERSON HULU LINDSEY			X			
TOTAL VOTE COUNT			9			
MOTION: [9] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [] ABSTAIN						
Motion passes with nine (9) YES votes and zero (0) EXCUSED vote.						

Action 7

Trustee Waihe'e I move to

A) Approve and award the following Fiscal Year 2021 Homestead Community Grant, contracts and disbursements totaling \$250,000 from the Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530):

- 1. Papakōlea Community Development Corporation - \$75,000**
- 2. Kūkulu Kumuhana O Anahola - \$75,000**
- 3. O Maku‘u ke Kahua Community Center - \$75,000**
- 4. Homestead Community Development Corporation - \$25,000; and**

B) Approve and award an additional amount of \$28,095 to

Homestead Community Development Corporation, for a total award of \$53,095 from the Fiscal Year 2021 Homestead Community Grant, Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530).

Trustee Ahuna Seconds the motion.

Trustee K. Lindsey I would like to extend my mahalo to our administration and the grants team for their hard work on *inaudible* I also want to recognize the organizations that took the time to apply. To those that did not make it or are considering, I know our grants team is standing by to help them through the process. The needs of our people are great *inaudible*. Our people come to us and plead with us what’s important *inaudible*. **Mahalo Madam Chair.**

Trustee Akina I would also like to congratulate all the Trustees on the upgrading of our fiscal policies to handle grants as well our administration excellent management of it. We have seen an advancement in our grants application processing and awarding system. I think it’s to the benefit of all of our beneficiaries, well done, maika‘i.

Trustee Waihe‘e moves

A) Approve and award the following Fiscal Year 2021 Homestead Community Grant, contracts and disbursements totaling \$250,000 from the Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530):

- 1. Papakōlea Community Development Corporation - \$75,000**
- 2. Kūkulu Kumuhana O Anahola - \$75,000**
- 3. O Maku‘u ke Kahua Community Center - \$75,000**
- 4. Homestead Community Development Corporation - \$25,000; and**

B) Approve and award an additional amount of \$28,095 to Homestead Community Development Corporation, for a total award of \$53,095 from the Fiscal Year 2021 Homestead Community Grant, Core Operating Budget (Object Code 56530).

Trustee Ahuna Seconds the motion.

	1	2	‘AE (YES)	‘A‘OL E (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEI AHU ISA			X			

TRUSTEE DAN	AHUNA		X	X		
TRUSTEE KALEI	AKAKA			X		
TRUSTEE KELI'I	AKINA			X		
TRUSTEE LUANA	ALAPA			X		
TRUSTEE BRENDON	LEE			X		
TRUSTEE KEOLA	LINDSEY			X		
TRUSTEE JOHN	WAIHE'E	X		X		
CHAIRPERSON HULU	LINDSEY			X		
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				9		
MOTION: [9] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [] ABSTAIN						
Motion passes with nine (9) YES votes and zero (0) EXCUSED vote.						

Chair Hulu Lindsey Thank you. We are now on item III. C. I would like to call upon Trustee Akaka.

C. Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment

1. 2021 OHA Legislative Positioning – Matrix 2**†, April 28, 2021
2. OHA Federal Legislative Positioning - Matrix† - Advocacy (Washington, D.C. Bureau)

Trustee Akaka Your Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment, having met on April 28, 2021 and after full and free discussion, recommends approval of the following motion to the Board of Trustees:

To Approve Administration’s recommendation to Reconsider the Bill Position for Item 27, HB862, from OPPOSE to MONITOR, on the Legislative Positioning Matrix Dated April 28, 2021.

Trustee Waihe’e Seconds the motion.

Trustee Akaka moves							
To Approve Administration’s recommendation to Reconsider the Bill Position for Item 27, HB862, from OPPOSE to MONITOR, on the Legislative Positioning Matrix Dated April 28, 2021.							
Trustee Waihe’e Seconds the motion.							
		1	2	‘AE (YES)	‘A‘OL E (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEI	AHU ISA			X			
TRUSTEE DAN	AHUNA			X			
TRUSTEE KALEI	AKAKA	X		X			
TRUSTEE KELI'I	AKINA			X			
TRUSTEE LUANA	ALAPA			X			
TRUSTEE BRENDON	LEE			X			

TRUSTEE KEOLA	LINDSEY			X		
TRUSTEE JOHN	WAIHE'E		X	X		
CHAIRPERSON HULU	LINDSEY			X		
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				9		
MOTION: [9] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [] ABSTAIN						
Motion passes with nine (9) YES votes and zero (0) EXCUSED vote.						

Trustee Akaka I move To approve Administration's recommendations on:

· **OHA FED 5 through OHA FED 13 all as SUPPORT;**

on the OHA Federal Priorities for the 117th Congress – Federal Legislative Matrix prepared for the BAE meeting on 4/28/21.

Trustee K. Lindsey Seconds the motion.

Trustee Akaka moves						
To approve Administration's recommendations on:						
· OHA FED 5 through OHA FED 13 all as SUPPORT;						
on the OHA Federal Priorities for the 117th Congress – Federal Legislative Matrix prepared for the BAE meeting on 4/28/21.						
Trustee K. Lindsey Seconds the motion.						
		1	2	'AE (YES)	'A'OL E (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)
TRUSTEE LEI	AHU ISA			X		
TRUSTEE DAN	AHUNA			X		
TRUSTEE KALEI	AKAKA	X		X		
TRUSTEE KELI'I	AKINA			X		
TRUSTEE LUANA	ALAPA			X		
TRUSTEE BRENDON	LEE			X		
TRUSTEE KEOLA	LINDSEY			X		
TRUSTEE JOHN	WAIHE'E			X		
CHAIRPERSON HULU	LINDSEY		X	X		
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				9		
MOTION: [9] UNANIMOUS [X] PASSED [] DEFERRED [] ABSTAIN						
Motion passes with nine (9) YES votes and zero (0) EXCUSED vote.						

Chair Hulu Lindsey I would like to thank the two Chairs of our two committees, Trustee Waihe'e and Trustee Akaka for all your hard work and for the work you are producing for our approval. Mahalo nui.

We will now move into Community Concerns. Lehua please call out the names.

Community Concerns and Celebrations

Board Secretary our first speaker is Michelle Makalua.

Michelle Makalua-Yee Aloha kākou, I apologize. I really just wanted to make a comment that I stated earlier, just supporting the grants and making sure we are maka‘ala to malama iwi kupuna. I apologize again, I probably checked to many boxes for this agenda. E kala mai.

Chair Hulu Lindsey That is okay. Thank you Michelle.

Kolea Fukumitsu Aloha this Kolea. I wasn't sure when I signed up which one we could testify under so I signed up for both. Mahalo.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Mahalo Kolea.

Summer Fukumitsu Again, to reiterate the sentiments that were shared today regarding the iwi kupuna funding and the need to support the front line kia‘i who aren't able to apply for the grants. The need to keep your compliance department functioning, it really empowers our community. As a community member, I am grateful for OHA's commitment to improve the conditions of Native Hawaiians. Through this compliance program, it offered us as a community support, research, education on Hawaiian issues; especially the iwi kupuna. It is essential for malama iwi kupuna to have advocacy from OHA through that program.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Mahalo Summer.

Skye Razon-Olds Aloha, I definitely did what everyone else did. I think the boxes were confusing while signing up for testimony. I will just reiterate some of my thoughts. I am a lineal descendant to Mokapu and if we do not have the compliance department and there is not a larger organization assisting these lineal descendants and 'ohana concerns especially in terms with the military and the burial concerns on the bases – then we are not heard. We really need OHA, your support, and the compliance department to make sure our voices are heard. Mahalo for your time.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Thank you Skye, mahalo.

Announcements

Chair Hulu Lindsey Okay moving on to announcements and I would like to call on Trustee Ahuna.

Trustee Ahuna Chair Lindsey, Thank you so much. First, let me say thank you to our administration. We are going to have a community visit starting on Wednesday. I just want to go over the itinerary. This is the time of our Government proclamation, we should be in our offices, and for the Trustees taking the time to come to Kaua‘i – Thank you. On Tuesday, May 4th we will have a site visit at 11:30 am at Alakoko Fish pond. After the visit we will have lunch and move on to the west side, the Salt Pond from 2:00-3:00 pm. We will listen and get updates by our leaders out there. We will end the visits after this site for that day.

Then on Wednesday morning we will start off by visiting Ho‘omana. They had some issues with the recent floods and the ongoing issues with the bridge. Then Pu‘uwai Canoe Club who has been displaced will be our

last stop. It is a very important program to our Native Hawaiians and our schools that they are associated with. Then we'll have lunch and people can go home to make the 5:30 pm community meeting.

I just want to say thank you to everyone. That's the two days of excitement we're going to have on Kaua'i.

Chair Hulu Lindsey Mahalo, we are looking forward to visiting your 'āina. We do have a full agenda for the Board meeting on Thursday.

Trustee Ahuna Thank you Chair. One of the questions was, why are we not having our community meeting on Kauai? One of the reasons is we do not want OHA to be the super spreader event on Kaua'i. We want to keep all of us safe as well as everyone else.

Adjournment

Chair Hulu Lindsey I would like to entertain a motion for adjournment.

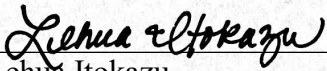
Trustee Waihe'e moves to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Ahuna Seconds the motion.

Adjournment							
TRUSTEE		1	2	'AE (YES)	A'OLE (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
LEINA'ALA	AHU ISA			X			
DAN	AHUNA		X	X			
KALEIHIKINA	AKAKA			X			
KELI'I	AKINA			X			
LUANA	ALAPA			X			
BRENDON KALEI'ĀINA	LEE			X			
KEOLA	LINDSEY			X			
JOHN	WAIHE'E	X		X			
CHAIR CARMEN HULU	LINDSEY			X			
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				9		0	

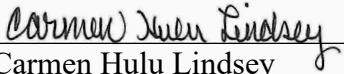
Chairperson Carmen Hulu Lindsey adjourns the Board of Trustees meeting at 11:09 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



 Lehua Itokazu
 Board Secretary

As approved by the Board of Trustees on May 20, 2021.


Carmen Hulu Lindsey
Chairperson, Board of Trustees

Attachments:

None