JOINT MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEFICIARY ADVOCACY AND EMPOWERMENT AND THE COMMITTEE ON RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

DATE: Wednesday, May 29, 2019
TIME: 10:00 am
PLACE: OHA Board Room, Nā Lama Kukui
560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200
Honolulu, HI 96817

AGENDA (Amended)

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II. Public Testimony*

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V. Announcements

VI. 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.

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

‡Notice: This portion of the meeting will be closed pursuant to HRS § 92-5.
Trustee Dan Ahuna  
Chairperson, Committee on Resource Management  

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Abbreviations:

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- HR: Host receive
- WS: Waiting send
- PL: Polled local
- PR: Polled remote
- MS: Mailbox save
- MP: Mailbox print
- RP: Report
- FF: Fax Forward
- CP: Completed
- FA: Fail
- TU: Terminated by user
- TS: Terminated by system
- G3: Group 3
- EC: Error Correct
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OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS  
560 N. NIMITZ HIGHWAY, SUITE 200  

JOINT MEETING of the COMMITTEE ON BENEFICIARY ADVOCACY AND EMPOWERMENT and the COMMITTEE ON RESOURCE MANAGEMENT  
MINUTES  
May 29, 2019   10:00 a.m.  

ATTENDANCE:  
BAE Chairperson John Waihe‘e, IV  
BAE Vice-Chairperson Kaleihiikina Akaka  
RM Chairperson Dan Ahuna  
RM Vice-Chairperson Robert Lindsey  
Trustee Lei Ahu Isa  
Trustee Keli‘i Akina  
Trustee Brendon Kalei‘aina Lee  
Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey  
Trustee Colette Machado  

BOT STAFF:  
Alyssa-Marie Kau  
Carol Ho’omanawanui  
Claudine Calpito  
Crayn Akina  
Kama Hopkins  
Kauikeaolani Wailehua  
Lei-Ann Durant  
Lōpaka Baptiste  
Maria Calderon  
Melissa Wennihan  
Nathan Takeuchi  
Paul Harleman  
Priscilla Nakama  
Ron Porter  
Zuri Aki  

LEGAL COUNSEL:  
Robert G. Klein, Esq.  
Kurt W. Klein, Esq.  

ADMINISTRATION STAFF:  
Kamana‘opono Crabbe, Ph.D., Pouhana / CEO  
Sylvia Hussey, Ka Pou Nui  
Charmaine Matsuura  
Everrett Ohta  
Gloria Li  
Jim McMahon  
Jocelyn Doane  
Maile Luuwi  
Mehana Hind  
Miles Nishijima  
Phyllis Ono-Evangelista  
Raina Gushiken  
Raymond Matsuura  
Sterling Wong  

GUESTS:  
Germaine Meyers  

I. CALL TO ORDER  

BAE Chair Waihe‘e calls the Joint Meeting of the Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment and the Committee on Resource Management for Wednesday, May 29, 2019 to order at 10:01 a.m.  

BAE Chair Waihe‘e notes for the record that PRESENT are:  

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At the Call to Order, **NINE (9) Trustees are PRESENT**, thereby constituting a quorum.

*Chair Waihe‘e would like the record to show that some materials were received more recently than 72 hours ago, and that deadline, per practice, has been duly-waived.*

**II. PUBLIC TESTIMONY***

**Germaine Meyers**: Aloha, I would first like to Mahalo Trustee Brendon Lee for coming out to our Hawaiian Affairs Committee Meeting in Nānākuli – Mā‘ili Neighborhood Board last night.

**Trustee Lee**: Thank you for having me.

**Germaine Meyers**: I’d like to speak to my data view and arguments in regards to today’s Items III. A., IV. A. and IV. B. – I think all of them, the budget as well as the administrative position, all coincide together. One is telling us how we’re going to use the money and the other one is telling us who is going to be managing the money.

What I would like to provide on the upcoming Administrative contract and in such that I have brought up in the past to OHA Trustees some of the discrepancies, and so I am hoping as a beneficiary that the new Administrator will look at this Board as nine trustees of equal measure. I am a beneficiary who has been voting and I have vocalized that in the past. I participate in our neighborhood board as Trustee Lee saw last night and that I feel that the powers in this Board and that everyone on this board has equal say; and should be respected equally.

At our neighborhood board, I look at every board member to be of equal measure and that is how I would like the Administrator to look at each of us, giving each of us the opportunity to speak. I feel that Education is very important; education, truth and knowledge are very, important and the Budget is speaking to that. My concern is that I would like an Administrator that does not circumvent the system or negates the power of all nine trustees. The Administrator position impacts a lot of us. I would like OHA to consider changing the title from Chief Executive Officer to Administrator; the original intent of the Hawai‘i Revised Statues. This is why I say this; do not stand in front of me and think you are a corporation; you are not a corporation. You are a government, a governance agency, you are part of an electoral process. I do not elect a for-profit corporation’s executive officers. It's a profit and loss issue; and their intent is being profitable money-wise. At OHA we look at land and people. People and land have nothing to do with a corporation in the dynamics that we’re talking about. Chief Executive Officer does not belong as a title when it comes to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. E Hana Kākou, Ke Akua Pū.
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BAE Chair Waihe'e turns it over to Ka Pouhana Kamana'opono Crabbe.

Ka Pouhana Crabbe: Aloha Kakahiaka Kākou, Good Morning Trustees. Before you in your folder, you have the Joint BAE-RM Action Item #19-05. I believe the Action Item refers to the consideration of scope of work and qualification and requirements as defined in the proposed RFQ in selecting a professional executive search and consulting firm to assist the Joint Committees on BAE and RM for the recruitment and selection of a Chief Executive Officer.

BAE Chair Waihe'e: It looks like this was prepared by the RM Committee, so we will have the RM Chair read the motion.

MAIN MOTION

RM Chair Ahuna moves to approve the Scope of Work and Qualification and Requirements as defined in the proposed RFQ in selecting a professional executive search and consulting firm to assist the Committees on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment (BAE) and Resource Management (RM) for the recruitment and selection of a Chief Executive Officer;

Trustee Machado seconds the motion.

BAE Chair Waihe'e: Is there any discussion?

Trustee Lee: Yes, I have questions as to the Scope of Work. Item #8 and Qualifications and Requirements, Item #4. I’ve done quite a bit of research since taking office in November as to what it takes to recruit for a qualified CEO and that takes upwards of six months. According to this on Item #8, whoever we retain is being to provide OHA with finalist names of five candidates in 2-4 weeks; I do not believe that is anywhere-near-sufficient time for us to get someone who is qualified. The same concern is for qualifications and requirements, Item #4; it says the same thing, that whoever signs this RFQ contract with us is being required to provide us with five candidates in 2-4 weeks.

Trustee Hulu Lindsey: I want to bring to the Board’s attention, the PIG group that worked on the description of a CEO. That group was made up of Judge Klein, Trustee Peter Apo and myself; and I wondered whether that PIG recommendation was even considered in the qualifications of the next CEO. That’s what I want to know, who wrote up the qualifications?
Trustee Lee: I may be mistaken, I thought that these were just about the qualifications for the firm that was going to find the CEO, not actually for the CEO itself.

Trustee Hulu Lindsey: That’s what it is, but they need guidance from us as to the qualifications of what they’re looking for.

Trustee Machado: How would you integrate the kind of changes that you would like to see?

Trustee Hulu Lindsey: Who wrote this up?

BAE Chair Waihe’e: According to the Action item it was prepared by Ron Porter, if the only change to the Scope of Work is the amount of time, we should be able to amend it.

Trustee Hulu Lindsey: Is the CEO job description attached at this time?

Trustee Lee: Trustee Lindsey is correct; I do not see an attachment. I do believe that it does say IV. Discussion: SCOPE OF WORK 4. “Assist to develop an accurate and attractive job description. See Attachment 1 – CEO job description.” That speaks to me, that whoever we select from the RFQ that they’re going to have to consult with the Board as to Job Description, Qualifications, etc. With that said Mr. Chair, I would like to offer an amendment.

AMENDMENT

Trustee Lee moves to amend the motion to Strike IV. Discussion: SCOPE OF WORK 8. “Prepare a written summary of five (5) candidates with the most promising qualifications for the position within two (2) to four (4) weeks from execution of contract. As well as IV. Discussion: QUALIFICATION AND REQUIREMENTS 4. The Successful Offeror shall have an extensive network of contacts, are able to work discretely and maintain a database or list of qualified candidates and can usually provide an immediate list of the best candidates available within two (2) to four (4) weeks of their retainment.

RM Vice-Chair Robert Lindsey seconds the motion.

BAE Chair Waihe’e asks if there is any discussion.

Trustee Lee: I speak in favor of the amendment, although now it does not have a timeline in here I would have to believe that whoever is qualified to 1- submit for an RFQ and 2- be selected from an RFQ is well-aware of what it takes to search for a CEO. Otherwise, this Board would not select them. So, I don’t believe not having a timeline to get qualified candidates to this Board is a hinderance in getting somebody that’s qualified. I don’t believe that’s an absolute necessary thing to have in this.

BAE Chair Waihe’e: I agree, I recommend supporting the amendment.
**Trustee Hulu Lindsey:** I have a question about the amendment. Is it ok to leave ‘8’ in, but just remove “within two (2) to four (4) weeks from execution of contract” because I think it’s a good idea for the company to “prepare a summary of five (5) candidates with the most promising qualifications for the position.”

**Trustee Lee:** Yah, I don’t see anything wrong with that, but like I said I believe anyone who’s qualified enough to be selected by this Board for an RFQ has enough background in doing this type of work. So, I would have to imagine that they know what is expected. If it pleases Trustee Lindsey, I will amend my amendment to only strike out the timeline.

**Trustee Akina:** *Does the Board want to consider a deadline for the submission, or just leave it open-ended?*

**BAE Chair Waiheʻe:** I don’t see a problem with leaving it open-ended.

**BAE Chair Waiheʻe** asks if there is any further discussion. There is none.

**BAE Chair Waiheʻe** calls for a Roll Call Vote.

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a) Scope of Work; Item 8 now reads as;

8. Prepare a written summary of five (5) candidates with the most promising qualifications for the position.

b) Qualifications and Requirements; Item 4 is fully stricken from the document.

Trustee Machado seconds the motion.

BAE Chair Waihe‘e asks if there is any further discussion. There is none.

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BAE Chair Waihe’e turns it over to Ka Pouhana Kamana’opono Crabbe.

Ka Pouhana Crabbe: Thank you Chair Waihee. If you recall the Grants presentation last week in terms of one of the awardees who was the Waipâ Foundation from the Island of Kauai had their award rescinded because they had received funding from another granting agency. So, the Board had approved at the time that we would come back and reallocate the funds, so this is what this action item is referring to. It requires a Joint BAE-RM Committee vote then approval by the Board to redistribute those funds.

BAE Chair Waihe’e: So, before we have any discussion, I want to have the motion put on the table please.

Trustee Machado moves 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; a Fiscal Biennium 2020-2021 Community Grant recommendation.

RM Chair Dan Ahuna seconds the motion.

BAE Chair Waihe’e asks if there is any discussion.

Trustee Hulu Lindsey: Could you just describe what Ahupua’a O Moloka’i is please?

Trustee Machado: I think it is a consortium of Hawaiian Homes Associations on Moloka’i representing at least four organizations. I believe this is a peer-to-peer grant trying to increase farmers to make their lands more productive on the homestead. Many of them have already gone through a series of certification with the CTAHR program and they’re considered Start-up Subsistence Farmers; just looking at what the description is. I haven’t talked to anybody, as you know we’re not permitted to do that if they’re an applicant.

Trustee Hulu Lindsey: Thank you.

Trustee Machado: When we go to Moloka’i, I’m sure we could get a site visit.

Trustee Robert Lindsey: I would like to thank the preparers of the Action Item; I thought they did a nice job with it. I would also like to commend the folks on Moloka’i. I know at our table when we talk about self-determination and sovereignty; we’re usually approaching it from a political perspective. Yet, on Moloka’i, they’re approaching it from an economic perspective. I do think that we need more of this approach across our State. People being economically-sovereign, being able to do for themselves so that they can be able to be successful in the society in which we live today.

BAE Chair Waihe’e asks if there is any further discussion. There is none.
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BAE Chair Waihe‘e asks for a motion to resolve into Executive Session pursuant to HRS § 92-5(a)(4).

RM Chair Ahuna moves to resolve into Executive Session.

Trustee Lee seconds the motion.

BAE Chair Waihe‘e asks if there is any discussion. There is none.

BAE Chair Waihe‘e calls for a Roll Call Vote.
BAE Chair Waihe’e notes for the record that all members present vote ‘AE (YES) and the MOTION CARRIES.

The committee resolved into Executive Session at 10:28 a.m. to discuss:

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The committee returned to Open Session at 11:12 a.m.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None
VI. ADJOURNMENT

RM Chair Ahuna moves to adjourn the BAE meeting.

RM Vice-Chair Robert Lindsey seconds the motion.

BAE Chair Waiheʻe asks if there is any discussion. There is none.

BAE Chair Waiheʻe asks if any members vote NO or ABSTAIN. There are no dissenting votes.

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BAE Chair Waiheʻe adjourns the Joint Meeting of the Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment and the Committee on Resource Management at 11:13 a.m.
Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Wennihan  
Trustee Aide  
Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment

As approved by the Joint Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment and the Committee on Resource Management on August 21, 2019.

Trustee John Waihe'e, IV  
Chair  
Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment

Trustee Dan Ahuna  
Chair  
Committee on Resource Management

ATTACHMENT(s):
- Community Concerns Sheet (1)