CALL TO ORDER

Chair Colette Machado started the site visit at 3:00 pm. Present were Trustee Dan Ahuna, Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey, and Chair Colette Machado. Excuse memos were received from Trustee Leina‘ala Ahu Isa, Trustee Kalei Akaka, Trustee Keli‘i Akina, Trustee Brendon Kalei‘aina Lee, Trustee Robert Lindsey and Trustee John Waihe‘e IV.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

NONE

SITE VISIT

A. Maunakea Access Road
B. Pu‘u Huluhulu (Pu‘uhonua o Pu‘uhuluhulu)
Hinaleimoana Wong-Kalu gathered the Trustees as well as staff to begin protocol. Led by Hina, Trustees along with OHA staff participated in protocol and offered hookupu to the kupuna at the site.

Maxine Kahaulelio invited Trustees and staff into the Kupuna Tent to visit with those that are currently staying on the mauna.

Chair Colette Machado shared with everyone the events that took place at the Board meeting earlier in the day. She asked that the beneficiaries be patient with OHA and confirmed that their concerns are being heard.

Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey greets everyone. She shares how grateful she is for everyone who has committed to staying on the mauna.

Trustee Dan Ahuna greets everyone. He thanks the Trustees as well as staff for being here. He feels it is important to have everyone meet face to face and have conversations and to share what is going on up on the mauna. He thanks the kia‘i and kupuna for their sacrifice of being on the mauna. Through their sacrifices it is teaching everyone the value of staying strong. He shares that aloha is changing the world. He thanks everyone for standing in the practice of kapu aloha.

Hinaleimoana Wong-Kalu thanks those on the frontline. She leads everyone in mele, “For the Lāhui”.

Maxine Kahaulelio - Thanks the Trustees for coming. She states that they heard the meeting this morning. She asks on behalf of the kupuna that OHA stand with them. She states that they will not be moving. She states that whatever rules OHA has they ware western rules, and that they are still the Kingdom of Hawaii, they will stand for that. She thanks the Trustees. She states that they have been there for 60 something days and there is no word to describe what is happening. She states that we are all the same, kanaka.

Chair Colette Machado calls on Sterling for some updates regarding Maunakea.

Sterling Wong greets everyone and introduces himself. He shares that the main thing they been doing with the Ad Hoc Committee that is led by Trustee Ahuna relates to the lawsuit that is still pending regarding the mismanagement by UH and the State. He states that they have been trying to educate everyone about the 50 years of mismanagement by the State and UH and also that the controversy isn’t only about TMT and its not something new, there are 50 years of history of mismanagement.

Jocelyn Doane shares that OHA may not have taken a position on TMT itself but that OHA has been a vigilant for over a decade on more appropriate management of the mauna. She states that OHA’s voice has been uplifted by the work that has been done by those on the mauna. The fact that the community is so organized and diligent and unwilling to compromise is giving OHA a platform to continue to talk about the mismanagement and get traction. She shares that in OHA’s last statement, it pointed out that the State’s swift enforcement of DHHL’s permitting requirements for the hale that was taken down the other week, is in stark contrast to the accommodations that they made for large companies, including observatories that never got
permit, never got approved sub leases and the jurisdiction of the road. She states that they have been using any sort of media opportunity to remind folks about the bigger issues and how they are treating us different then how they treat everyone else. She also shares that recently OHA received a letter from the President of UH that expressed his displeasure in OHA’s statement.

Chair Colette Machado shares the process that OHA has gone through to advocate for the rights, safety, and well-being of beneficiaries engaging in peaceful protest of the decade’s long mismanagement of Maunakea.

After meeting with Kupuna the Trustees along with staff were invited to tour the area. They were able to see their kitchen facilities, facilities that provided basic needs for people like clothing, blankets, etc. also they were able to see where they hold various classes that are held at Pu’uhuluhulu University.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FYI

NONE

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The site visit concluded at 4:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dayna Pa, Board Secretary

Report distributed to the Board of Trustees at the November 11, 2019 Board of Trustees Meeting.

Attachments:

1. Trustee Leina’ala Ahu Isa Excuse Memo
2. Trustee Kalei Akaka Excuse Memo
3. Trustee Keli‘i Akina Excuse Memo
4. Trustee Brendon Kalei‘aina Lee Excuse Memo
5. Trustee Robert Lindsey, Jr. Excuse Memo
6. Trustee John Waihe‘e IV Excuse Memo