

**STATE OF HAWAI'I
OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
560 N. NIMITZ HIGHWAY, SUITE 200**

**COMMITTEE ON BENEFICIARY ADVOCACY AND EMPOWERMENT
MINUTES**

August 23, 2017 1:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Chairperson Robert K. Lindsey, Jr.
Trustee Leina'ala Ahu Isa
Trustee Rowena Akana
Trustee Keli'i Akina
Trustee Peter Apo
Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey
Trustee Colette Machado
Trustee John Waihe'e, IV

ADMINISTRATION STAFF:

Kamana'opono Crabbe, CEO
Kawika Riley, CHIEF
David Laeha, CFO
Timmy Wailehua, NHRLF

GUESTS:

Germaine Meyers
Jenai Akina

EXCUSED:

Vice-Chairperson Dan Ahuna

BOT STAFF:

Kama Hopkins
Lehua Itokazu
Claudine Calpito
Maria Calderon
Makana Chai
Liana Pang
Alvin Akee

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lindsey (CL) calls the Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment meeting for Wednesday, August 23, 2017 to order at **1:02 p.m.**

CL calls for a Roll Call. Below is the record of members **PRESENT:**

MEMBERS			AT CALL TO ORDER (1:02 pm)	TIME ARRIVED
CHAIR	ROBERT	LINDSEY, JR.	X	
VICE-CHAIR	DAN	AHUNA		EXCUSED

TRUSTEE	LEI	AHU ISA	X	
TRUSTEE	ROWENA	AKANA	X	
TRUSTEE	KELI'I	AKINA	X	
TRUSTEE	PETER	APO	X	
TRUSTEE	HULU	LINDSEY	X	
TRUSTEE	COLETTE	MACHADO	X	
TRUSTEE	JOHN	WAIHE'E	X	

At the Call to Order, **EIGHT (8) Trustees** are **PRESENT**, thereby constituting a quorum.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. July 26, 2017

CL requests a motion to approve:

II. Approval of Minutes

- A. July 26, 2017
- B. April 12, 2017

Trustee Hulu Lindsey (T. H. Lindsey) – moved
Trustee Apo (T. Apo) – second

MEMBERS			1	2	Y	N	Kanalua	Abstain	Not Present at time of vote
TRUSTEE	LEI	AHU ISA			X				
VICE-CHAIR	DAN	AHUNA							EXCUSED
TRUSTEE	ROWENA	AKANA			X				X
TRUSTEE	KELI'I	AKINA			X				
TRUSTEE	PETER	APO		X	X				
TRUSTEE	HULU	LINDSEY	X		X				
TRUSTEE	COLETTE	MACHADO			X				
TRUSTEE	JOHN	WAIHE'E			X				
CHAIR	ROBERT	LINDSEY, JR.			X				

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III. PUBLIC TESTIMONY*

CL asks if anyone has come to speak under PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

None.

CL moves on to item IV. A. and calls Kamana'opono Crabbe (KC) to introduce the item.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Action Item BAE #17-06: Michael Tresler, Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF) Board of Directors (BOD) Member, for Kaua'i 1st Term Approval

KC calls upon Timmy Wailehua (TW) to share a little bit about these action items, items IV. A. & IV. B. TW shares of the work of the NHRLF Board and the appreciation for the board members who have served, those who continue to serve and those who are coming on to serve. It is a great help to our beneficiaries.

CL requests a motion to approve:

IV. New Business

- A. Action Item BAE #17-06: Michael Tresler, Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF) Board of Directors (BOD) Member, for Kaua'i 1st Term Approval

T. H. Lindsey – moved

T. Apo – second

MEMBERS			1	2	Y	N	Kanalua	Abstain	Not Present at time of vote
TRUSTEE	LEI	AHU ISA			X				
VICE-CHAIR	DAN	AHUNA							EXCUSED
TRUSTEE	ROWENA	AKANA			X				
TRUSTEE	KELI'I	AKINA			X				
TRUSTEE	PETER	APO		X	X				
TRUSTEE	HULU	LINDSEY	X		X				
TRUSTEE	COLETTE	MACHADO			X				
TRUSTEE	JOHN	WAIHE'E			X				
CHAIR	ROBERT	LINDSEY, JR.			X				

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Action Item

Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment
August 23, 2017

BAE #17-06

Action Item: BAE #17-06: Michael Tresler, Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF) Board of Directors (BOD) Member, for Kaua'i 1st Term Approval

Prepared By: _____
Jennifer Lau, Date
Ka Pou Alo, NHRLF Administrative Assistant

Reviewed By: _____
Timmy Wailehua, Date
Pou Kāko'o Ho'olako 'Ai'ē Nui, NHRLF Manager

Reviewed By: _____
David K. Laeha, Date
Ka Pou Kihī Kanaloa Wai, Chief Financial Officer

Reviewed By: _____
Lisa Victor, Date
Ka Pou Nui, Chief Operating Officer

Reviewed By: _____
Kamana'opono M. Crabbe, Ph.D., Date
Ka Pouhana, Chief Executive Officer

Reviewed By: _____
Robert K. Lindsey, Jr. Date
Ka Luna Ho'omalū, BAE Chairperson

I. Proposed Action

The Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment approves and recommends the Board of Trustees to approve Mr. Michael Tresler to serve as the Kaua'i representative on the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF) Board of Directors.

II. Issue

The decision of the Board of Trustees to approve or deny the recommendation of Mr. Tresler to serve as the Kaua'i representative on the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF) Board of Directors.

III. Background

The NHRLF Operational Guidelines approved by ANA in February 2017 states that the NHRLF BOD shall be responsible for the final approval or denial of loans. The BOD consists of the following seven (7) volunteers who support the program:

	Name	BOD Title	Island	Current Expiration Date
1	Kilipaki Vaughan*	Member	Kaua'i	2 nd term ends 09/30/2017
2	Scott Kaulukukui	President	O'ahu	1 st term ends 10/31/2019
3	Alli-Ann Alcon	Member	Moloka'i	2 nd term ends 09/30/2017
4	Nelson Moku III	Vice President	O'ahu	1 st term ends 3/31/2020
5	Susie Thieman	Secretary	Māui	1 st term ends 5/22/2018
6	Jessica Kaneakua	Member	Hawai'i Island	1 st term ends 8/1/2018
7	Misti Pali-Oriol Patterson	OHA Representative	O'ahu	Term ends 6/20/20

** Pending OHA BOT approval for Michael Tresler to replace Kilipaki Vaughan via this action and subsequent ANA approval*

IV. Discussion

The NHRLF Operational Guidelines further states the following:

- “The Board shall be comprised of seven (7) Directors, including one (1) OHA representative and one (1) Director from each county in the State of Hawaii.”
- Each Director has a term of three (3) consecutive years and may serve for no more than two (2) consecutive terms for a total of six (6) years.
- “The OHA Board of Trustees must approve appointments to the NHRLF Board. The Commissioner of the Administration for Native Americans (ANA) is responsible for final approval of Directors.”

Based upon these requirements, approval of this recommended action will ensure compliance with the NHRLF Operational Guidelines.

V. Recommended Action

The Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment approves and recommends the Board of Trustees to approve Mr. Tresler to serve as the Kaua'i representative on the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF) Board of Directors.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

B. Action Item BAE #17-07: Keani Rawlins-Fernandez, Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF) Board of Directors (BOD) Member, for Moloka'i 1st Term Approval

CL requests a motion to approve:

IV. New Business

B. Action Item BAE #17-07: Keani Rawlins-Fernandez, Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF) Board of Directors (BOD) Member, for Moloka'i 1st Term Approval

Trustee Machado (T. Machado) – moved
T. H. Lindsey – second

MEMBERS			1	2	Y	N	Kanalua	Abstain	Not Present at time of vote
TRUSTEE	LEI	AHU ISA			X				
VICE-CHAIR	DAN	AHUNA							EXCUSED
TRUSTEE	ROWENA	AKANA			X				
TRUSTEE	KELI'I	AKINA			X				
TRUSTEE	PETER	APO		X	X				
TRUSTEE	HULU	LINDSEY	X		X				
TRUSTEE	COLETTE	MACHADO			X				
TRUSTEE	JOHN	WAIHE'E			X				
CHAIR	ROBERT	LINDSEY, JR.			X				

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BAE #17-07

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Jennifer Lau, Date
Ka Pou Alo, NHRLF Administrative Assistant

Reviewed By: _____
Timmy Wailehua, Date
Pou Kāko'o Ho'olako 'Ai'ē Nui, NHRLF Manager

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Lisa Victor, Date
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Reviewed By: _____
Kamana'opono M. Crabbe, Ph.D., Date
Ka Pouhana, Chief Executive Officer

Reviewed By: _____
Robert K. Lindsey, Jr. Date
Ka Luna Ho'omalū, BAE Chairperson

V. Proposed Action

The Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment approves and recommends the Board of Trustees to approve Ms. Keani Rawlins-Fernandez to serve as the Moloka'i representative on the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF) Board of Directors.

VI. Issue

The decision of the Board of Trustees to approve or deny the recommendation of Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez to serve as the Moloka'i representative on the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF) Board of Directors.

VII. Background

The NHRLF Operational Guidelines approved by ANA in February 2017 states that the NHRLF BOD shall be responsible for the final approval or denial of loans. The BOD consists of the following seven (7) volunteers who support the program:

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** Pending OHA BOT approval for Keani Rawlins-Fernandez to replace Alli-Ann Alcon via this action and subsequent ANA approval*

VIII. Discussion

The NHRLF Operational Guidelines further states the following:

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- “The OHA Board of Trustees must approve appointments to the NHRLF Board. The Commissioner of the Administration for Native Americans (ANA) is responsible for final approval of Directors.”

Based upon these requirements, approval of this recommended action will ensure compliance with the NHRLF Operational Guidelines.

V. Recommended Action

The Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment approves and recommends the Board of Trustees to approve Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez to serve as the Moloka'i representative on the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF) Board of Directors.

CL thanks Trustees for their approval of these two action items and notes that these will be acted upon at the BOT meeting tomorrow.

V. COMMUNITY CONCERNS*

CL asks if anyone has come to speak under COMMUNITY CONCERNS.

None

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

T. Machado shares that tomorrow, the BOT will convene at 10:00 a.m. and will act on these two items plus another from the RM Committee meeting this morning.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

CL seeks a motion to adjourn the BAE meeting.

T. H. Lindsey - moved
Trustee Ahu Isa (T. Ahu Isa) – second

CL asks if there is any discussion. There is none.

CL asks if any members vote NO or ABSTAIN. There are no dissenting votes.

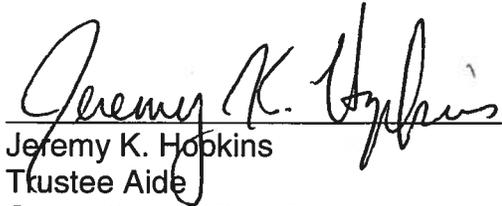
TRUSTEE		1	2	'AE (YES)	A'OLE (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
LEI	AHU ISA		X	X			
VICE CHAIR DAN	AHUNA						X
ROWENA	AKANA			X			
KELII	AKINA			X			
PETER	APO			X			
CARMEN HULU	LINDSEY	X		X			

COLETTE	MACHADO			X			
JOHN	WAIHE'E	X		X			
CHAIR ROBERT	LINDSEY						X
TOTAL VOTE COUNT				5	0	0	

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CL adjourns the BAE meeting at 1:09 PM

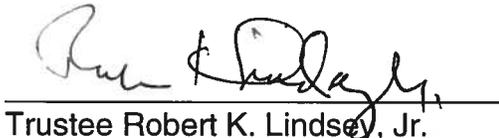
Respectfully submitted,



Jeremy K. Hopkins
Trustee Aide

Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment

As approved by the Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment on 9/20/17.



Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr.
Chair

Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment

ATTACHMENT(s):

- Excused Absence Memo – Trustee Dan Ahuna