

STATE OF HAWAI'I
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Minutes of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees
Hawai'i Island Community Meeting
Wednesday, September 6, 2017
6:30 pm

ATTENDANCE:

TRUSTEE COLETTE MACHADO
TRUSTEE LEINA'ALA AHU ISA
TRUSTEE DAN TRUSTEE DAN AHUNA
TRUSTEE ROWENA AKANA
TRUSTEE W. KELI'I AKINA
TRUSTEE CARMEN HULU LINDSEY
TRUSTEE ROBERT LINDSEY
TRUSTEE JOHN WAIHE'E IV

ROBERT G. KLEIN, BOARD COUNSEL

EXCUSEED:

TRUSTEE PETER APO

ADMINISTRATION STAFF:

KAMANA'OPONO CRABBE, CEO
KAWIKA RILEY, CHIEF
KUHIO LEWIS, OUTR
KANOE TJORVATJOGLOU CUP CHOY, COC
KAIPO KI'AHA, DPM
ALICE SILBANUZ, DPM
JONATHAN CHING, LAND
KALEENA KWE-PATCHO, DPM
WAYNE TANAKA, PP
KAMUELA BANNISTER, COC
DAWN TANIMOTO, COC
SHANE PALACAT- NELSON, COC

BOT STAFF:

CAROL HOOMANAWANUI
LŌPAKA BAPTISTE
DAYNA PA
LADY GARRETT
KAY WATANABE
PAUL HARLEMAN
LEHUA ITOKAZU
CLAUDINE CALPITO
KAMA HOPKINS
KAUI WAILEHUA
MELISSA WENNIHAN

GUESTS:

LUNA HAUANIO
CHARLENE HOE
KU'UIPO TORIO
BO KAHUI
PATRICK KAHELE
LEINA'ALA LIGHTNER
JOJO TANIMOTO
CYNTHIA NAZARA
DIANE KANEALII
CINDY FREITAS
GEOFF SHAW
NATALIE KURSHIMA
ALVIN AKINA
SHERI WAHINEKAPU
IOKEPA
LAKEA TRASK
KU CHING
EARL REGIDOR
TAMMY HARP

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Colette Machado Calls the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:32 pm. Roll call is taken; Trustees Ahu Isa, Ahuna, Akana, Akina, Carmen Hulu Lindsey, Robert Lindsey, Waihe'e and Machado are present; constituting a quorum of eight (8) trustees. An excuse memo was received from Trustee Peter Apo.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Colette Machado States that she will start introductions from the Trustees. Trustee Leina'ala Ahu Isa, Trustee Dan Ahuna, Trustee Rowena Akana, Trustee Keli'i Akina, Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey, Trustee John Waihe'e IV, Chair Colette Machado and Trustee Robert Lindsey themselves and their staff that have traveled to Hawai'i Island.

Chair Colette Machado Calls on Kamana'opono Crabbe to introduce his staff that are in attendance.

Kamana'opono Crabbe Introduces himself and greets the community. He introduces the staff that have traveled to Hawai'i Island as well as Hawai'i Island staff from both Hilo and Kona.

Chair Colette Machado Turns the time over to Trustee Robert Lindsey.

III. COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

A. Traditional Health Programs – Luna Hauanio

Mr. Luna Hauanio Introduces himself to the board. Shares with the Trustees information about himself. Please see his attached presentation. (Association of Native Hawaiian Healers). States that Native Hawaiian Healers face lots of rules and regulations.

Trustee Robert Lindsey States that Health is one of our strategic priorities, thank you for your presentation.

Kamana'opono Crabbe Clarifies that the act Luna is referring to is the Native Hawaiian Health Care system under Papa Ola Lokahi. That particular act they have approval for lā'au Lapa'au. There is a movement to extend that to ho'oponopono and lomilomi. The boarder issue is how do we get other insurance providers or mainstream health care providers. There was legislation on how to integrate cultural practices but this will take time.

B. Nā Kālaiwa'a – Maulili Dickson

Trustee Robert Lindsey States that Maulili Dickson will be joining the Trustees tomorrow morning. He calls Na Lei Na'auao

C. Nā Lei Na'auao – Charlene Hoe and Ku'uipo Torio**

Ku'uipo Torio States that she is here today representing Na Lei Na'auao, which encompasses 17 Hawaiian Focus Charter Schools. She thanks the Board for being their Champions. She states that Hawaiian Focus Charter School are here today because of those that are in the grind every single day, the children, and they communities because they believe in the mission and the vision about the la hui. It is more than education.

Uilani Marante Shares that she first was a student at Kua o Ka La in the 8th grade and graduated last year. She is currently employed at Kua o Ka La in the ike Hawaii program. She shares her experience at Kua O Ka La and their annual conference. She thanks OHA for providing these opportunities but is concern that the next generation of students will not get these experiences. She is concerned because in the grant CNHA does not have funding for traveling for the students. Through the Ike Hawaii program, she and others from the Na Lei Na'auao had opportunities to travel and participate in various leadership programs. These various experiences have impacted her life greatly and thanks the board for their consistent support of Na Lei Na'auao Charter Schools.

Susan Osborne Introduces herself she is the co-founder and head of school at Kua o Ka La Charter School located in Puna. She thanks Trustees for their continued support to address the major inequities that they struggle with. Shocked that funding from OHA is diverted through CNHA. There was no discussion with our

Na Lei Na'auao schools. She has read the proposal and it dismantles the support system of Na Lei Na'auao. There is concern that there is no travel budget for conference attendees. Concern that they will be accessing the data of these schools. She asks OHA to restore funding back and not contract through CNHA. She states that they are hesitant to receive these funds through CNHA.

Trustee Rowena Akana States that this is news to the Trustees. Asks how CNHA got the OHA grant? After the presentation she asks for clarification on how this occurred.

Kaiwi Palakiko Raised a concern about CNHA getting grant. He reads a letter from POO Hedy Sullivan.

Hedy Sullivan States that it is unfortunate the needs of the children have been shifted by the influential adults. CNHA has done good works in other areas Hawaiian Advancement but will this overshadow their good works for the keiki that they serve. They ask why do they need to go to this conference they have never been invited to for their good works to be ratified into someone else's work. She asks what the impact of this OHA funding will be for her small rural community school would funding be diminished if this contract be ratified.

Kamana'opono Crabbe States that because it is a line item it goes through a RFP process which is objective. Because of the concerns that the schools were not consulted and they will look into these legitimate concerns.

Trustee Dan Ahuna Explains the shortcomings of Charter schools and how OHA assists in the shortfall. Charter schools feel they are at a disadvantage and they have to spend their money creatively because they don't get much. He shares the concerns that he has been getting from the beneficiaries on Kauai.

Chair Colette Machado Doesn't think that CNHA will advocate for the charter schools. A good point that was made was the proprietary indigenous learning which is a collaborative data collection form the 17 Hawaiian Focus Charter school. That needs to be protected, like Hawai'i is important and it needs to be protected. CNHA is not an education focused.

Trustee Rowena Akana Voices her concern about CNHA getting the contract to allocate the monies to Hawaiian Focused Charter School. This is not CNHA's focus.

Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey Asks if Administration and the Board can look into this. We need to look at the qualifications of the applicants.

Ku'uipo Toria Introduces herself, she is from Anahola Kauai. Thanks the board for hearing them.

Trustee Robert Lindsey Thanks all of them for their work of with the Hawaiian Charter Schools and for the keiki.

Trustee Keli'i Akina Asks when Na Lei Na'auao found out.

Ku'uipo Toria States that they heard in July. They requested a meeting with CNHA and have not had much response. She states that they built this alliance together because of the shared vision, aloha and trust. They schools need to decide who they will get in a relationship with and who will speak for them. This is about our aloha and loyalty to each other and our track record.

Trustee Keli'i Akina Asks how did you bring concern back to OHA.

Ku'uipo Toria Called her Trustee Dan Ahuna. Contract has not been ratified so can we just pause and review the process and we are available to work through the details.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe States that Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey suggested that we reevaluate giving the concerns, but we do have a process. He believes their concerns are valid and the nature on how this is taking place. With the sentiment of board, we will follow up with KALO and where the process is within our organization.

D. La‘i‘Ōpua 2020- Bo Kahui
Trustee Robert Lindsey Calls on Bo Kahui.

Bo Kahui Introduces himself and starts his PowerPoint presentation. He updates the board on Laiopua 2020 and shows slides of Kealakehe and Keahou Ahupua‘a Regional Context. They plan to build facilities for the generations to come. Medical building is done. December they will finish their 3rd building, the community center.

Other slides included:

Kau I Ka Malie Multi media Center.

Support Holualoa Water Source Project

West Hawaii Regional Park Development and WHIPAC

DHHL Village 4 118 units RFP issued

Habitat for Humanity completed 7 units in VOLA

He asks OHA to support Homestead Association for Economic Development and to revise Grant making policies and support community economic Development in the homestead

Trustee Robert Lindsey Thanks. He calls on Patrick Kahele.

E. Hawai‘i Community College – College of Continuing Education and Training – Patrick Kahele
Patrick Kahele Thanks the board for the opportunity to be here. He was originally from Oahu. He shares his experience as the youngest in Ko‘olau Boys home and that he has been incarcerated for 44 years in and out of the system. He has been out for 10 years. He works with the men of Kulani teaching them re-integration and life skills. He came to Hawai‘i island but had a hard time gaining employment due to his incarceration. He applied to College and got in and did well and graduated with his degree in Human Services. He faced many road blocks because he is an excon.

Reintegration is possible but when Hawaiian brothers and sisters get their doors slammed they only lifestyle they know is criminal activities. When they are not given the opportunity they don't know how to deal with reintegration into society. We need to look at the prison system how we can work with the Hawaiians in there before they are released. He thanks Kamuela Bannister. Kamuela goes out to Kulani and meets with several inmates.

Trustee Robert Lindsey Thanks Patrick for sharing and inspiring the Trustees. He calls on Kamana‘opono Crabbe.

IV. STATUS OF OHA ACTIVITIES

A. Ka Pouhana/CEO's 15-Minutes Update on Ho‘oulu Lāhui Aloha and OHA Activities
Kamana‘opono Crabbe Updates the community that the Board recently heard the Wao Kele O Puna Comprehensive Management Plan and will be taking action tomorrow. He calls on Land Manager Jonathan Ching.

Jonathan Ching Updates the community on Wao Kele o Puna Comprehensive Management Plan. OHA has been working with DLNR to put a plan together for the last 10 years that fell through. For the last three years

OHA has been working with 9 members of the community and contractors looking at the solutions, and kuleana for the area. The plan will help guide OHA for the next 10 years before we revisit the plan. It covers forest management to community engagement, access, traditional and cultural rights. He mentions the Pele Defense Fund who started it all and the reason that OHA got the property. The plan was approved by the Committee on Resource Management and we look forward for approval tomorrow.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe States that advocacy and public policy division goes out to the community to gather concerns that beneficiaries might have. He asks Kawika Riley to address community.

Kawika Riley States that OHA’s role as advocate is part of critical elements to OHA’s identity and the responsibility to our la hui. OHA advocated that through laws and right now they are in the conceptual legislative package stage. They have been gathering mana‘o from key beneficiaries. They will then bring to administration the conceptual package then bring them to the board.

Kamana‘opono Crabbe States that Administration is starting the process to report back to the communities on what OHA has done over the 8 years relating to our Strategic Plan.

V. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Trustee Robert Lindsey calls on Leina‘ala Lightner.

Leina‘ala Lightner Greets the Trustees and has live and worked in Ka‘ūpūlehu for 45 years. Has been successful in the “Try Wait” effort. This is a community-based plan to restore marine resources and ensure that traditional subsistence and cultural fishing practices are sustained within the ahupua‘a of Ka‘ūpūlehu for future generations. It is something that is deeply rooted traditional practice, not just gathering rights, how to not gather, rest, and the concept of pu‘uhonua. She thanks OHA’s for their efforts and asks for continued support.

Trustee Robert Lindsey Calls on Jojo Tanimoto

Jojo Tanimoto Greets the Trustees. Speaks on Luna’s presentation of Health. She has been speaking to Hui Mālama o nā ‘Ōiwi and it’s a program that is you don’t use it you lose it. Encourages people to use the program. They are going to close the Kona office at the end of the year. One employee of that services the entire west Hawaii, the community needs to use benefits and services they may be able to resolve that. Second item is the Kawaihae Homestead, in the harbor the military comes to Harbor and cruise in the fishing kōa. Can OHA help to get ship out of the Kōa?

Kamana‘opono Crabbe Asks Wayne to take testimony and get back to you folks.

Trustee Robert Lindsey calls on Cynthia

Cynthia Nazara States that she works alongside Aunty Lei and she is the Makai Watch coordinator. She trains and educates the community and have friendly conversation with our local people regarding the ocean resources in that area. Thos in the Ka Lai Mano felt they had right to take but more but more importantly she taught them that they have the right to mālama. Mahalo piha for all of your work, all the things we do for culture and education.

Trustee Robert Lindsey Calls on Diane.

Diane Kanealii States that she represents Community Kailama Community Association. She asks OHA as they look at the strategic plan that they look at that water. We have no water it comes from the ranch. They

are limited with what they can do with that water. We have an aquaponics system; we have to haul the water in for that project. She asks for help with their water situation on Hawaiian Homestead.

Trustee Robert Lindsey Calls on Cindy Freitas.

Cindy Freitas Greets board and community. States that she wants to know about Mauna a Wakea. Where does the board stand in this situation with the TMT issue? How does Peter Trustee Peter Apo with his violation do that tip the board, I know he was pro TMT. I want to know about the lawsuit about the mismanagement that I been hearing in the newspaper.

Trustee Dan Ahuna States that we issue of the mountain is really important to us. Right now its not about a telescope that hasn't been built, it what's up there right not. There is a lot to do in the situation. We are working on building our complaint.

Chair Colette Machado States that the Board approved a motion to move forward to file a complaint.

Judge Klein States that we are writing and filing it again the the State and the University of Hawaii for mismanagement.

Cindy Freitas Asks what is OHA's stance on Pohakuloa issue.

Trustee Robert Lindsey States that Pohakuloa is not an issue that the board has taken any formal position

Cindy Freitas Asks that the Board take a position because of the activities that are currently happening at Paohakuloa. There are concerns of contaminated water and air contamination.

Trustee Robert Lindsey Asks administration to get engaged in this conversation.

Kamana'opono Crabbe States that they have met with different stakeholders, uranium, it does come up to the different studies. We did have a working group to engage the military but because of the changes in command it has been difficult. We are working with department of Health. Will be following up.

Trustee Rowena Akana Asks if we should write a letter to Department of Defense about the concerns about the water table and Pohakuloa. Also, talk to our Federal delegation.

Cindy Freitas Asks about Trustee Peter Apo the Conduct code of Trustees.

Chair Colette Machado States that they will look at it seriously and look at sanctions based on that outcome.

Trustee Robert Lindsey Calls on Geoff Shaw.

Geoff Shaw Greets the Trustees. States that he attened a Pōhakuloa meeting in Hilo and the OHA representative was on the phone but it would have been helpful to have the representative at meeting. Pohakuloa is a land that is unique and special. What is going on up there is disgusting. Thanks them for the opportunity.

Trustee Robert Lindsey Calls on Natalie.

Natalie Kurashima States that she works for KSBE express appreciation for the support that OHA has given the Ka'ūpūlehu Marine Life Advisory Council. It is a true collaboration with the lineal descendadnts, Kamehameha Schools the Land Owners, the developers, the Nature Conservancy, DNLR, DOCARE are all

working towards the success and create abundance in area. They are also conducting research while they are resting, rest area. Appreciates the legal expertise of Wayne Tanaka and he has been critical of the success.

Trustee Robert Linsdsey Calls on Alvin.

Alvin Akina Thanks Trustees for coming. He states that we need to keep watchful eyes on our reefs. We need help. You are our leaders. Our aloha generates tourism. He asks them to think about self-determination, and who we need to be at this time. He states that at the Aha they were told that there would be many processes and he would like that to continue.

Trustee Robert Linsdsey Calls on Sheri.

Sheri Wahinekapu Value their presence in Kona. She states that this in regard to Na Lei Na'auao, how CNHA can say to our keiki we are going to rule you, we are going to control you in my eyes and heart. The other disturbing thing is the staff, which are in charge of awarding these grants. I am representing the kupuna who could not stay and those that left us. She also raises concern about the water issues.

Trustee Robert Linsdsey Calls on Iokepa.

Iokepa Greets the board and states that he supports La'i 'Ōpuia and Patrick Kanahale. He states that we are facing national crisis and are being overwhelmed and massacred. He shares his Koa Kia'i Pilot. He is disappointed that Trustee Peter Apo is not here. He asks for support to move ahead. This issue will not be gone soon. He raises concern also with Pohakuloa and DU, depleted uranium.

Trustee Robert Linsdsey Calls on Lākea.

Lākea Trask Greets Trustees and thanks them for the work they do. He shares that there is a growing gap between the haves and the have nots. He urges OHA to work with the ones you not working with. Reach out to the one in the bushes and laying their lives on the line for sacred places. OHA needs to be proactive about Mauna Kea, Pohakuloa the homesteaders. He states that we need to protect our sacred places because if not the ripple effect is felt and that is what we are feeling today.

Trustee Robert Linsdsey Calls on Ku.

Ku Ching Greets the Trustees and thanks them for coming. He states he feels distanced from what OHA is doing for Mauna Kea and that he doesn't know who the ad hoc committee is talking to. He shares that no one has talked to him about the complaint that OHA is filing. He shares about his experience with their contested case hearing about the TMT. He offers his services to legal department and analyze what is going on mountain. He states that delegated rights to the University should not have been.

He states that the States had lease violations at Pohakuloa. The State has not been taking care of Pohakuloa. He states that they have a case for the lease extension of Pahakuloa.

Trustee Robert Linsdsey Calls on Earl.

Earl Regidor Greets the board. He states that he supports Aunty Lei and the initiative Try Wait. He also supports Lākea and young Hawaiians that protect what is given to us. He states that we should protect the lands for the generations that are not here. He thanks the board for what they are doing and look to those Hawaiians that are not here.

Trustee Rowena Akana States that she made a few notes on Pōhakuloa and Kawaihae will be writing to the Federal delegation.

Trustee Robert Lindsey Calls on Tammy.

Tammy Harp Greets the Trustees. Shares with the Trustees her first experience at an OHA meeting. She also shares her memory of Moanikeala and how she started calling her criminal Kupuna. She thanks for for OHA for providing the workshop with Malia Akutagawa and their public Trust lands. She also shares the concern about the sea trees. She states for sustain us in the long term we need not look at the profits. She congratulates OHA for the comanagement at Papahānaumokuākea and that OHA should be managing more. The activity at Pohāuloa has been more visible and has been affecting the community. She supports the decommission of all telescopes on Mauna Kea. She states that she thinks that Trustee Peter Apo should resign.

Trustee Robert Lindsey Thanks everyone for coming tonight.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FYI

None

IX. ADJOURNMENT

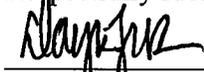
Trustee Robert Lindsey Asks for a motion to adjourn.

Trustee John Waihe'e IV Moves to adjourn the meeting

Trustee Dan Ahuna Seconds the motion.

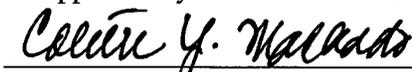
The meeting was adjourned at 9:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Dayna Pa, Board Secretary

As approved by the Board of Trustees on October 5, 2017.



Colette Y. Machado, Chairperson
Board of Trustees

Attachment:

1. Trustee Peter Apo Excuse Memo
2. Association of Native Hawaiian Healers Handout
3. Lunakanawai Hauanio PowerPoint
4. Ke Kula 'o Samuel M. Kamakau Testimony submitted by email