## State of Hawai'i Office of Hawaiian Affairs 600 Kamehameha Highway Kalama'ula, HI 96748

# Minutes of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees Moloka'i Community Meeting Wednesday, June 15, 2016, 6:30 pm

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Dan Ahuna called the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees Moloka'i Community Meeting to order at 6:48 pm. Those present were as follows:

#### **Attendance**

Trustee Dan Ahuna, Vice Chair

Trustee Peter Apo

Trustee S. Haunani Apoliona

Trustee Colette Machado

Trustee John Waihe'e IV

#### **Excused**

Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr., Chair

Trustee Lei Ahu Isa

Trustee Rowena Akana

Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey

#### Staff Present

Dr. Kamana opono Crabbe, CEO Robert G. Klein, Board Counsel Capsun M. Poe, Board Secretary Jeremy Kama Hopkins

Dayna Pa Laurene Kaluau Crayn Akina Davis Price

Kay Watanabe

Lady Garrett

Liana Pang Kawika Riley

Jocelyn Doane Wayne Tanaka

Mehana Hind

Alice Silbanuz

John Rosa

Gayla Haliniak-Lloyd

### Others Present

Lehua Lee Kilia Purdy-Avelino Lori-Lei Rawlins-Crivello Shirley Rawlins Kawika Crivello Brent Nakihei

#### II. <u>INTRODUCTIONS</u>

Vice Chair Ahuna, all Trustees present and Dr. Crabbe introduced themselves. Trustees introduced their individual staff members and Dr. Crabbe also introduced all OHA Administration staff present.

Vice Chair Ahuna asked Trustee Colette Machado to chair the remainder of the meeting.

## III. CEO'S UPDATE ON HO'OULU LĀHUI ALOHA AND OHA ACTIVITIES

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Dr. Crabbe shared information on Ahahui event grants for events occurring between January – June 2017. He referred people to OHA.org and noted a September 16 deadline to apply for event sponsorships from OHA.

#### IV. COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

#### Hot Hula

Lehua Lee shared information about her Hot Hula Moloka'i fitness program. She was inspired to start it after doing a difficult hike that highlighted her obesity troubles. It has been a life-changing experience. She stated that hot hula is for those looking for a total body workout with a little Poly swag and that her sense of humor attracts people. She and her program participants demonstrated their fitness routine and movements.

#### UHMC Moloka'i

Kilia Purdy-Avelino reported that UHMC Molokai recently held a kihei ceremony for five Hawaiian Studies graduates, the first time in four years such a graduation has been held. She thanked OHA Moloka'i staff for their assistance with the ceremony, which was a success because many in the Moloka'i community came together to make it happen.

Kamakaleihiwa Purdy-Avelino thanked OHA for its support of her and the program and noted she was able to travel to Aotearoa as part of her studies. She will be attending UH Hilo, majoring in marine biology and hopes to return to Moloka'i to teach.

Lori-Lei Rawlins-Crivello also thanked OHA for supporting programs such as this that help the people of Moloka'i.

#### Ahupua'a O Moloka'i

Kilia Purdy-Avelino reported that they were awarded an OHA I Mana Ka Lāhui grant that allowed them to honor Prince Kuhio. OHA supported this by also donating konane boards, which helped their efforts to restore language and culture on Molokai.

Other program activities helped support several people to visit Hōkūle'a during its visit to the United Nations in New York.

#### Hale Ho'okupa'a

Brent Nakihei, a homesteader who recently received a MSW, shared an idea to help Native Hawaiian men. The program would be a men's shelter for men who are ordered to leave the house by the police because of a mandatory 72-hour cooling off period during any domestic dispute. Particiants would be required to formulate a corrective action plan to help overcome the problem of acting before thinking. The program would be a judgement-free place to help strengthen the community.

#### V. COMMUNITY CONCERNS/BENEFICIARY COMMENTS

Lori Lei Rawlins-Crivello, Shirley Rawlins, and Kawika Crivello thanked OHA for its support of the Moloka'i makahiki and the Moloka'i community. They also mentioned an upcoming ho'olaule'a for which they would likely seek support from OHA. Also noted was the success of a Kualapu'u project, reading comprehension project at Moloka'i Middle School, and a Kaho'olawe project that allowed participants to touch Kaho'olawe.

Conrad Aquino ("Zuzu") spoke about the Mālama Loan and his life journey as a Hawaiian on Moloka'i. He stated things are different on Moloka'i, where it is often about day to day survival. He encouraged OHA and DHHL to work together to place Hawaiians on the land. He does not want kids to go through the same troubles that previous generations have endured.

#### VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Machado announced the next Board meeting will be held on Thursday, June 16, 2016 at 9:30 am at Kulana 'Oiwi.

Mr. Wayne Tanaka previewed some of the information he would present tomorrow regarding CBSFA, a movement that originated on Moloka'i.

#### VII. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Trustee Machado adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Capsun M. Poe Board Secretary

Approved by the Board of Trustees on August 11, 2016:

Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr. Chair, Board of Trustees