

**State of Hawai'i  
Office of Hawaiian Affairs  
560 North Nimitz Hwy.  
Honolulu, HI 96817**

**Minutes of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees Meeting  
Thursday, December 8, 2016, 9:30 am**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Temporary Chair Rowena M. Akana called the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 9:35 am. Those present were as follows:

**Attendance**

Trustee Leina'ala Ahu Isa  
Trustee Dan Ahuna  
Trustee Keli'i Akina  
Trustee Rowena M. Akana  
Trustee Peter Apo

Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr.  
Trustee Carmen Hulu Lindsey  
Trustee Colette Machado  
Trustee John Waihe'e IV

**Excused**

-None-

**Staff Present**

Dr. Kamana'opono Crabbe, CEO  
Robert G. Klein, Board Counsel  
Capsun M. Poe  
Jeremy Kama Hopkins  
Kauikeaolani Wailehua  
Claudine Calpito  
Davis Price  
Lady Garrett  
U'ilani Tanigawa  
Lehua Itokazu  
Dayna Pa  
Paul Harleman  
Maria Calderon

Melissa Wennihan  
Liana Pang  
Makana Chai  
Hawley Iona  
Kai Markell  
Kawika Riley  
Lisa Victor  
Lisa Watkins-Victorino  
Mehana Hind  
Miles Nishijima  
Nathan Takeuchi  
Kay Watanabe

**Others Present**

Healani Sonoda-Pale

Keali'i Makekau

**II. NEW BUSINESS**

Temporary Chair Akana explained the process for nomination and election of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees: nominations will be taken and the first person nominated will be voted on first. If there's a second nomination, the second person will be voted on, and so on. And the one with the most votes will be the Chair of the board.

Trustee Ahu Isa nominated Trustee Rowena M. Akana as Chair of the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Apo called for a point of order. He stated that according to Robert's Rules of Order, rather than go one by one, all nominees are placed in nomination.

Trustee Apo nominated Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr. as Chair of the Board of Trustees.

Temporary Chair Akana said according to Robert's Rules the Chair sets the rules at the beginning of the meeting.

Trustee Apo said a member does not have to get recognition and often in small assemblies a member can call out a name while still [inaudible] nominations from the floor and the Robert's Rule of Orders are in the Bylaws and it is the rule of how we operate.

Temporary Chair Akana said it is also Robert's Rule that the Chair sets the rules.

Temporary Chair Akana said we have two nominees, myself and Trustee Lindsey, so let us begin. Is somebody going to second Trustee Lindsey's...

Trustee Ahuna said he seconds Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr.'s nomination.

Trustee Apo said Madame Chair, I'd like to offer some remarks in support of Trustee Robert Lindsey for Chair. Madame Chair, I want to start with what he is not. In selecting a leader of an organization with as complex and as important constitutionally mandated mission such as the Office of Hawaiian Affairs with its sweeping and sometimes overwhelming fiduciary duty, it's as important to know what that leader is not as it is to know what that leader stands for. This is particularly important when attempting to unify an organization as contentious and fractured as often times we can be. Leadership style is critical. Chair Lindsey does not lie. Chair Lindsey does not play clandestine political games. Chair Lindsey does not engage in rancor. Chair Lindsey does not demean the institution and those who work for it, as a political strategy to make it appear that he is going to save OHA from the rest of us. Chair Lindsey does not cross lines of ethical behavior. Chair Lindsey does not spread falsehoods about colleagues behind closed doors. Chair Lindsey is not your typical politician and sometimes, his forthrightness and honesty, framed by his gentleness of spirit, is viewed as a political vulnerability. These things that he is not, in my opinion is more important at this point in OHA's attempt to unify ourselves, than his perceived lack of the typical political aggressiveness and deception that some believe should be a leadership norm. What he is: First Chair Lindsey is a humble and gentle spirit. What a breath of fresh air, in the midst of high passion and turmoil that too often defines our operating culture. Chair Lindsey brings a high moral standard to his leadership style. You always know where he stands. He does not deceive. He can be trusted. Chair Lindsey is about empowering every Trustee to be the best we can be in the ways we choose to contribute to moving OHA forward. I have never known him to deny or thwart any Trustee or administrator from bringing a reasonable proposal to the table for discussion. His deference to the Trustee body politic to fully participate in analyzing and weighing in on proposals and the procedural openness of a public meeting is a remarkable and risky leadership option that he exercises consistently from the Chairman's office, where the buck stops. His openness to Trustee ideas has led this body in adopting a code of ethics for Trustees. Remember, Trustees, why we needed to adopt that code of ethics? He lent the full weight of the Chair's office to developing and installing a fiscal sustainability plan over the initial objections of the administration, which they perceived as a threat to their fiscal integrity. And they are now cooperating. This initiative must continue towards full implementation and a dramatic change in leadership structure would put two years of hard work and considerable investment at risk. He lent the full weight of the Chair's office to the establishment of two pivotal ad hoc committees, whose work stands ready to be scheduled for full vetting by the board. These are the ad hoc committees on the ideal CEO profile that would move us towards a far more thoughtful CEO recruitment process in the future and

higher level of sophistication in defining the separation of powers between the Trustees as the policy implementing body and the administration, which has to interpret and implement those policies. Being a strong leader means more than bossing people around. It means working with others in a cooperative manner. It means sometimes giving so that you can get. When we look at the big picture, he has moved the agency in the right direction and it's been like turning a battleship. Finally, let me be candid. One of the implications of this reorganization process is the degree of probability that a new CEO recruitment might emerge. That volatile and politically explosive consideration should not be part of how we each vote today. Our vote for who will occupy the seat of the Chairman of the Board should be cast with an unfettered consciousness, separate and apart from the CEO question. What is before us today is which candidate meets the litmus test of what constitutes the best possible leadership that would unify this organization and move us forward. For me, my vote for retaining Chair Lindsey is a vote to complete the important work on fiscal sustainability. The headline, "Fiscal Sustainability." Chair Lindsey brought this about. Trustee policies, moving forward on that and what I expect would be continuing to overhaul the very framework of fiduciary duty to improve the quality of life for our beneficiaries, whom I prefer to refer to as citizens. Finally, until, as intended when OHA was created as a place holder, a new governing entity emerges as the nation, we are the nation. Let us act like a nation and vote for dignity, honor and ramping ourselves up to the highest level of our fiduciary responsibility. Thank you, Madame Chair.

Temporary Chair Akana said thank you very much. Does anyone else wish to say anything?

Trustee Ahuna said before I vote I just wanted to share with you all my thoughts on leadership principles as well. I do this with the hope that we consider this decision very carefully as it will have long lasting impacts on the future of this agency and the lahui. We're at a very critical juncture politically, economically and even environmentally. Just saw a president get elected on a platform that flies in the face of the work we do. The work we are mandated to do. We advocate for the rights of our people – land, economic development, housing, health care and education. Our President-elect and many groups opposed to our work believe we all operate on a level playing field. All of us have dedicated our lives to working towards the betterment of our communities or we would not be here. We all know that Native Hawaiian communities are not on the same level playing field. Our people have been left behind far too often. Our voices silenced. I believe that it is our kuleana at OHA to assist in leveling that playing field. To raise the voice of our people. Today we face stiff opposition with the incoming presidential administration. The ferocity with which President-elect Trump has indicated that he will come after programs and agencies such as this one is unprecedented. I anticipate very stiff challenges coming our way. Now is not the time to make decisions in haste. We must make decisions with clear and level heads, not based on emotion. We must be calculated in our efforts going forward. We must not work only for our communities, we have to align with our communities, and holomua. Everyone has to be in this va'a paddling in sync together. To do so takes fair and balanced leadership and a deep commitment to our mission to better the lives of our people. I will continue to work with each of you to do this. To work as a team to build foundation. I know that Trustee Bob Lindsey has proven this, that he is willing to work with all of us. If we are going to ensure our trust portfolio is successful and if we are going to move projects like Kakaako and Kukaniloko off the ground, it is going to take all of us, paddling in sync. I believe we can do that with Chair Lindsey leading this board. He is fair and inclusive and this is vital in moving us forward. I plan to work closely with him and in turn work closely with each of you so that we find common ground on issues that we do not see eye to eye on. Chair Lindsey, when I first talked to you about Mauna Kea, I had an idea on how we can approach it to give our communities a greater voice. I know at first you did not agree, however, we talked about it at length and we came to agreement to move forward an opportunity for our people. While we did and it's taken much longer than we wanted, and it is still not completely resolved, however we are very, very close. That is leadership and teamwork. We, which means all of us, are a team and we may not agree on many things, but if we are going to take on the coming threats, challenges ahead, we must work together. Chair Lindsey has proven he is willing to work

with all of us if we are willing to work with him and for that reason I support him and urge all of you to jump in this va'a in supporting him. Thank you.

Trustee Ahu Isa said I want to say a few words favor of Trustee Rowena Akana. I'm taking this PBN and in fact it quotes you Keli'i, it's the editorial from the PBN, talked about "Charity, bravery and a grumble." It talks about nonprofits, how today we have to... Let me read it, "Our readers include business leaders who sit on nonprofit boards and who writes big checks and nonprofit leaders running an organization with their eyes on the bottom-line." I have been on this board, I've sat in this very seat two years ago, got in 2014, really started 2015 after the Investiture. And sure, of course I agree, I'm not saying Chair Lindsey is not a good person, but I saw how our beneficiaries, let me continue, regarding the support of nonprofits need, support that appeals to most of our beneficiaries, this is an expensive place to do business as it is, Hawaii, and we see so many of our beneficiaries, our Hawaiian people suffering, in fact I just met Alapa'i yesterday, Colette, from Molokai. I don't know how he recognized me walking down the street. I also want to quote this anniversary that Kim wrote about where Rick Blangiardi, General Manager of the Hawaii News Now, all talked about the progress made a little bit at a time when citizens and groups speak up, "progress is hard by the yard, but a cinch by the inch." And this is why I'm nominating Trustee Rowena Akana to see how we can do this a little bit more by the inch and to look at our bottom line, because I've tried. I've tried to get more revenue in. I've tried to do things in the community. I was stopped, not by Chair, but maybe by people who work for you. I was denied three times and I guess people forget that you're going to run for chair again, so they kind of dismissed me as like nothing. So that's why I'm just trying to give our organization a chance. Thank you, Chair.

Trustee Akina said I would like to speak to the nomination of Rowena Akana for Chair, with all respect to past Chair, Bob Lindsey, with whom I give my aloha for having welcomed me so well in your role as Acting Chair, providing access and information, but before I give my comments, may I first humbly say to all of you how honored I am to sit amongst you, and how much I appreciate the work and years of experience you have given to the Hawaiian people. It is a real privilege to be here and I do want to say before my first comments that I am very much humbled by the opportunity to stand in the footsteps of Trustee Haunani Apoliona, whom I respect deeply and hope will continue to be of counsel to all of us. I have taken my first fiscal duty very seriously which is to cast my vote for Chair but I have not had a certain advantage that my colleagues here have had. You've had the opportunity to look at the hearts of fellow trustees. You know how they have worked. You've looked at their character and you know them personally. I do not have this privilege. Instead, in order to exercise my vote I had to do due diligence, and do the following in order to prepare myself for this day. I had to read through the minutes, comb through the comments and the positions taken by the trustees, I had to look through the financial documents, read through the fiscal sustainability reports. I had to do my research in order to set up a set of criteria. In other words, on what basis would I cast my vote? Again, I did not have personal considerations, and so I am going to make the assumption, and I believe it is correct, that all of you have aloha for the Hawaiian people, that all of you care about building a strong OHA. So the criteria I came up with had to be very specific. Our number one need at OHA is to build a strong fiscal sustainability, in other words take the trust, to protect that trust, to grow that trust and then to ensure that that trust is used to meet the needs of the Hawaiian people. And so I had to ask whose policies, whose statements in the minutes, whose record best demonstrated a commitment to fiscal sustainability? At the outset, I am grateful for the work that was done in the last term by the administration – thank you Ka Pouhana, and your team – on producing a fiscal sustainability program that was featured in Ka Wai Ola most recently. In comparing that with the actual financial statements, our team which we put together of economists and advisers, has produced "Crucial Recommendations for Achieving Fiscal Sustainability." It's a document that I sent over the last two weeks to each of you as trustees. And I'll submit it to the Chair now, if you don't mind just for the record here so that it can be available to anyone. What this shows, after a careful analysis of the financial statements of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, is that the Fiscal Sustainability Plan is a good start. But it's *only* a good start. The Board has authorized that direction. In order to be

successful, there needs to be certain discipline in the exercise of policy that affects five areas. And if we don't have those policies in place, we will not be effective. That was my criteria. Who on this Board has demonstrated a commitment to ensuring the following policies? Let me tell you what they are. Number one: we must reduce spending. As Trustees we must be willing to reverse the trend of the past several years in which we have been spending more than we have are earning. Number two: we must stop depleting the fiscal reserve. In other words, we must protect the intergenerational equity of the trust rather than spend it down at the rate we have been spending it, and indeed, your own auditors have cautioned you, my fellow trustees, on continued spending and its impact on the trust. Third, in our spending, we must stick to our mission. There are many things we spend on but what we have to do is ensure that the spending is focused on the betterment of Hawaiians – housing, jobs, education, health care. Not political programs. Fourth, we must increase revenues aggressively. We must find creative and responsible ways to increase the revenues of OHA for the sake of beneficiaries. Projects like Kaka'ako Development need to be fast tracked. And fifth - this is extremely important - we must establish and strengthen our checks and balances, both at the Board and throughout the administration. We need to embrace opportunities for greater transparency and accountability as well as ensure our organization stays committed to our financial sustainability plans. In closing, I would like to say I have high hopes for the future of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. I have high hopes that we can be strong and meet the needs of the Hawaiian people. And I would also like to commend, to all of you, Rowena Akana for Chair, because I believe she has made the strongest commitment to the insurance of these five policies and my report is available should anyone wish to see that. Thank you Madame Chair.

Trustee Machado said I would like to make a comment. I don't have a prepared speech. For you, Trustee Akana, one of the most scathing issues that I've learned in the last year, is when you filed a lawsuit against all of the Trustees. And it was based on your personal assumption that you had access to the executive session minutes and then you wouldn't follow our procedures, so in spite of all the good stuff that they have been talking about you have not done certain things that I can support you. Number one: when you filed the lawsuit, in the research and the analysis we did, we found that there was a disbursement of confidential information that was released to a certain individual that was used against the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. You can deny that, but we facts that was part of the discussion in the court. And there was a ruling against you for what you did and we spent hundreds of thousands of dollars to defend our lawsuit against you because you came across each one of us individually. So there is certain character flaws about you, Rowena, and I want to be point blank, you are really punitive when you feel people don't work with you. You've been able to reduce certain aspects of openness. All of those things reflect on you, so even if you become the Chair, there are certain issues that you're going to have to have five votes, you may have your majority to move wing-ding stuff that you feel is important, but it's outside that the public will be viewing. I recall when Trustee Bobby Lindsey felt so strong that you could help all the comments that this Trustee, the newly elected Trustee Akina, and appointed you to the Asset Resource Management Committee to do exactly that and what we found out? You were raiding the fiscal reserve to support certain projects, the list goes on, and because of that, midway in the process when you were appointed, Trustee Lindsey had to ask you to be removed because of pending issues you had created and I became the Asset Resource Management individual. You have had ample opportunity to come up with a sustainability plan under your leadership and you failed to do that. It came up after that when I became the Chair, working with the Chair then, Bobby Lindsey. So no matter what, I'm not the drama queen, but I can talk to you about facts and this is how I see that you cannot be the Chair of OHA. We may be outnumbered in the votes but I will tell you that on the record and that's all I want to say without a prepared speech.

Temporary Chair Akana said thank you. I think that, on the record, I need to correct you. Number one: the lawsuit was five years ago, and the lawsuit was about sunshine law because this board was taking things into executive session and taking action on things that should have been in public session. That is the lawsuit, and that lawsuit, the judge can tell you, it is still out there. It's coming up in this coming

March. And what your attorney did was counter sue me on other things and looked for things with a uku comb. And I have never, never tried to use the special funds for anything. What we did, as a committee, was give special funds to Lunalilo Homes. That was the only thing we did was give those special funds to Lunalilo Home. We did not use it for personal projects.

Trustee Machado asked if the funds were taken out of fiscal reserves.

Temporary Chair Akana said yes we did, but the whole committee voted on it. The whole Board voted on it.

Trustee Machado said I didn't vote on it.

Trustee Ahuna said is this what we're going to be looking towards the future?

Temporary Chair Akana said but wait a minute, she said these things on the record and they are not true. None of it. None of it is true. So I don't want to go there, but because this is livestream, I don't want people to believe that what you have said is truthful because it is not. Not one word is true.

Trustee Ahuna said Trustee Apo brought up a good point of order.

Temporary Chair Akana said I think it's time to take the vote.

Trustee Machado said because you've had your say people are entitled to respond. After you've had your say that's what you like do, cut us off?

Temporary Chair Akana said since Trustee Apo has said that he wants an open vote and there's two trustees running for the Chairmanship, instead of following the rules of the Chair, what we will do is, you have two candidates, you have myself and you have Trustee Lindsey. So we're going to take a roll call vote and as your name comes up, you will either vote Lindsey or you will vote Akana.

Trustee Ahuna said I would just like to get clarification from Board Counsel, what is the process? How does the process work?

Temporary Chair Akana said this is Robert's Rules. The Chair sets the rules on Robert's Rules.

Board Counsel Klein said Robert's Rules are the rules. Not the Chair's rules. So the Bylaws say Robert's Rules. The Chair can't modify Robert's Rules. They are the rules that apply.

Trustee Machado said so let me ask this question, so does the Trustees can only exercise one vote if there's two candidates? You need to be clear about that.

Trustee Ahuna said clarify how this is going to work.

Temporary Chair Akana said we're going to take a roll call vote. We have two candidates. Myself and Trustee Lindsey. When your name is called in the roll call, you will shout out either Lindsey or Akana.

Trustee Ahuna asked if he could move to recess. Trustees Machado seconded the motion. Trustee Apo also seconded the motion.

Temporary Chair Akana said look, why are you folks trying to destroy this meeting.

Trustee Ahuna said I just want to move to recess.

Temporary Chair Akana asked for what purpose. You have to state the purpose.

Trustee Ahuna said okay, we have to make sense of all of this. We just heard both sides.

Temporary Chair Akana said we just made sense of it. Now we need to vote.

Trustee Ahuna said and now we need to pick a Chair and this is what's happening and I want to make sure I make the right choice.

Temporary Chair Akana said you have made a choice. You have chosen Trustee Lindsey.

Trustee Ahuna said we didn't voted yet. I want to call for a recess right now.

Trustee Machado said it's been moved and seconded.

Temporary Chair Akana said you need a two-thirds vote for a recess.

Trustee Machado said then take a vote. We're entitled to a vote.

Trustee Apo said Madame Chair, you know, an ethical chairman would relinquish the chair when they are a candidate. An ethical chairman would relinquish the chair when they are a candidate.

Temporary Chair Akana said that's not in Robert's Rules.

Trustee Apo said and this is an example of the kind of leadership you always put us through where you get people fighting with each other every time. That's what you're buying into Keli'i.

Trustee Ahuna said I asked for a recess.

### Recess

Temporary Chair Akana called a five minute recess at 9:57 am and reconvened the meeting at 10:02 am.

Trustee Apo said Madame Chair, I would like to invoke article five of the Bylaws that states vote for chair and for vice chair of the board shall be by method determined by a majority of all members to which the board is entitled, and I would like to move that that Article 5.B. be considered.

Temporary Chair Akana said I'm sorry, but I'm going to rule you out of order because in Robert's Rules, which our office follows, it says the Chair of the Board will set the rules at the beginning of the meeting. You cannot, in the middle of the meeting, insert other rules and the Judge is here to verify that so we are following the rules of Robert's Rules and you're out of order. I'm sorry.

Board Counsel Klein said they are not mutually exclusive. You have Robert's Rules and you have your rules. So if your rules are in your Bylaws, you obviously have to follow them, but you also have to follow Robert's Rules.

Trustee Apo said if you care to jeopardize this vote by just blatantly ignoring and doing what you feel like, I welcome you to do that, but there will be repercussions if you are not pono in the way you handle this meeting Rowena. You need to really think about what I'm saying.

Temporary Chair Akana said you are out of order and you cannot threaten the Chair.

Trustee Apo said I'm not threatening the Chair. I'm saying how the vote is taken is important. The process is important.

Temporary Chair Akana said you cannot threaten the Chair or you will be removed. You are out of order.

Trustee Apo said I'm not threatening you. I'm asking you to abide by the rules.

Temporary Chair Akana said you are out of order. We're taking a roll call vote.

Trustee Ahuna said can I say something before this roll call vote? I'd like to nominate Hulu Lindsey.

Trustee Apo said I'd like to nominate Trustee Machado.

Temporary Chair Akana said the nominations have been closed.

Trustee Ahuna said I didn't hear that. Did you hear it? I didn't hear it.

Trustee Robert Lindsey said I'd like to nominate Lei Ahu Isa.

Trustee Machado said she'd like to nominate John Waihe'e IV. Might as well get everyone on the table.

Trustee Robert Lindsey said Madame Chair, I'd like to offer up some remarks. I consider board leadership a privilege. As chairperson my commitment to this board has been ensuring that our organization is well managed and it's financial situation remains sound. Earlier, the issue about you raiding our special fund was brought up. The reason why we needed to follow through on your commitment to Lunalilo Home, the reason why we had to help you to make that commitment, you made it on your own, without the majority of the board. And then when it came to the board, to maintain the integrity of this board, because of a commitment that you made as an individual, we supported you in that decision. So it makes my point, that I've always wanted, always pursued the premise that our financial situation needs to remain sound. My references, to serve again as chair, along with the support that I have from Trustee Apo, from Trustee Machado, and from Trustee Ahuna is supported by my re-election just recently by 194,000 voters who vouched for me in the recent OHA election. A key theme that I'd like to organize our board's efforts around as Chair, if I am so blessed to continue as Chair, is helping OHA play a bigger role in closing the income gap between our people and other residents of our state. I see an opportunity for our board to take greater responsibility to improving the upward mobility of our people. I also see an opportunity for us to connect our organization with resources that can help to improve our people's sense of economic well being. Working together, as emphasized by Trustee Ahuna earlier, I believe that our board can propel OHA to be as effective as it can be by moving more of our people up the socio-economic ladder. We live in a capitalist democracy. Raising our people's standard of living is our responsibility and if we take this responsibility seriously, then we owe our people a renewed commitment to making our community a place where every Hawaiian, if she or he is diligent, works hard and smart enough, can get ahead and achieve the quality of life that our people, as the first peoples of these islands, so rightfully deserve. Thank you, Madame Chair.

Trustee Waihe'e said Madame Chair, before we move on, I'd like to move that we close the nominations.

Temporary Chair Akana said thank you.

Trustee Machado said we have three now, right?

Trustee Waihe'e said no, we had several.

Temporary Chair Akana said well, did everybody accept it? That's the thing.

Trustee Waihe'e said well I don't know if there was a second for any of the new ones.

Trustee Apo said second is not needed on a nomination.

Trustee Waihe'e said yeah, that's true.

Trustee Apo said and those nominated can elect to decline. But Madame Chair, I'd like to invoke Article 5.B. and call for a vote by ballot.

Temporary Chair Akana said any of those who were nominated who wants to withdraw at this time, Judge Klein says you should do so.

Trustee Machado said I would like to decline.

Trustee Waihe'e said I would like to decline.

Trustee Hulu Lindsey said I'd like to decline myself.

Trustee Ahu Isa said I decline.

Temporary Chair Akana said okay, there will be nine ballots passed out. You will write the name of the candidate that you...

CEO Crabbe said Madame Chair, may I just have a comment before you take your vote because I think it's a very serious matter.

Temporary Chair Akana said but the votes been called already.

CEO Crabbe said well my comment is that, as you vote, there will be two serious matters that are being entertained by the executive branch, by the governor and part of a four year process, Trustee Akina, that has led up to the fiscal sustainability plan, has been a specific legal and judicial strategy that has led to the public land trust. Your vote, and all your votes, trustees, will determine whether or not we'll be successful in those public land negotiations. You should very seriously thing about that as we talk about fiscal sustainability, because this was not over the past year, two years, it was four years when I became Pohana and we will actualize it with your right vote or not. So we will be successful or we will not be. And there will be severe consequences if we are not. Thank you.

Temporary Chair Akana said Nathan will be collecting the ballots.

#### Election of Chair

Board Counsel Klein counted the ballots for the election of the Chair of the Board of Trustees.

Board Counsel Klein said: Trustee Akana, Trustee Akana, Trustee Akana, Trustee Lindsey, Trustee Lindsey, Trustee Lindsey, Trustee Lindsey, Trustee Akana, Trustee Akana.

Total votes for Trustee Rowena M. Akana: Five (5).

Total votes for Trustee Robert K. Lindsey, Jr.: Four (4)

Board Counsel Klein congratulated Trustee Rowena Akana on being elected Chair.

Trustees Ahuna, Apo, and Machado left the meeting at 10:18 am.

Chair Akana said the next nomination is for Vice Chair.

Trustee Hulu Lindsey nominated Trustee Leina'ala Ahu Isa to serve as Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Keli'i Akina seconded the nomination.

Trustee Waihe'e closed the nominations.

Chair Akana asked for a roll call vote:

Trustee Hulu Lindsey nominated, seconded by Trustee Akina, Trustee Ahu Isa to serve as Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees.						
TRUSTEE	1	2	'AE (YES)	A'OLE (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEINA'ALA AHU ISA			X			
TRUSTEE DAN AHUNA						X
TRUSTEE KELI'I AKINA		2	X			
TRUSTEE PETER APO						X
TRUSTEE HULU LINDSEY	1		X			
TRUSTEE ROBERT LINDSEY					X	
TRUSTEE COLETTE MACHADO						X
TRUSTEE JOHN WAIHE'E			X			
CHAIR ROWENA AKANA			X			
<b>TOTAL VOTE COUNT</b>			5	0	1	3
MOTION: [ ] UNANIMOUS [ X ] PASSED [ ] DEFERRED [ ] FAILED						
Motion passed with eight (5) YES votes, no (0) NO votes, one (1) abstention, and three (3) excused.						

Chair Akana said the next committee is the Resource Management Chair.

Chair Akana moved, and Trustee Waihe'e seconded, that the Board accept and approve the Chair's appointment of Trustee Hulu Lindsey as the Chair of the Committee on Resource Management.

Chair Akana asked for a roll call vote:

Chair Akana moved, and Trustee Waihe'e seconded, that the Board accept and approve the Chair's appointment of Trustee Hulu Lindsey as the Chair of the Committee on Resource Management.						
TRUSTEE	1	2	'AE (YES)	A'OLE (NO)	KANALUA (ABSTAIN)	EXCUSED
TRUSTEE LEINA'ALA AHU ISA			X			
TRUSTEE DAN AHUNA						X
TRUSTEE KELI'I AKINA			X			
TRUSTEE PETER APO						X
TRUSTEE HULU LINDSEY			X			
TRUSTEE ROBERT LINDSEY			X			
TRUSTEE COLETTE MACHADO						X
TRUSTEE JOHN WAIHE'E		2	X			
CHAIR ROWENA AKANA	1		X			
<b>TOTAL VOTE COUNT</b>			6	0	0	3
MOTION: [ ] UNANIMOUS [ X ] PASSED [ ] DEFERRED [ ] FAILED						
Motion passed with six (6) YES votes, no (0) NO votes, no (0) abstentions, and three (3) excused.						

Chair Akana said thank you very much. The other committees will be announced next week. I will agendize another meeting for next week and there will be other committees and hopefully some of our other colleagues will decide to join us in other committee structures. So if there are no other comments, there is the BAE Committee and I hope to bring back Land and Economic Development and others so I hope that next week everybody will attend and we look forward to working with as many Trustees as possible. So I thank you all for coming. And if there are any beneficiary comments or concerns or announcements?

Trustee Akina said congratulations Madame Chair. I look forward to working with you and all the Trustees to build a strong OHA.

Chair Akana said thank you. Let's hope that it can be a peaceful journey. Thank you all very much and I look forward to working with everyone and especially the staff. Thank you very much.

### III. BENEFICIARY COMMENTS

There were no Beneficiary Comments.

### V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

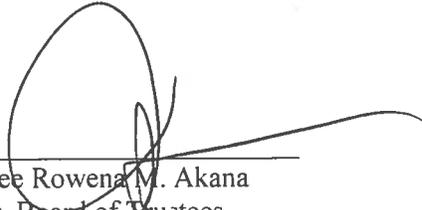
### VI. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Chair Akana adjourned the meeting at 10:28 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Nathan H. Takeuchi  
Board Secretary

Approved by the Board of Trustees on January 12, 2017

  
Trustee Rowena M. Akana  
Chair, Board of Trustees