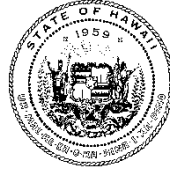


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King Kamehameha Celebration Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, September 26, 2019

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Place: Kana'ina Building on the grounds of 'Iolani Palace, 346 S. King St., Honolulu, HI 96813

Attended: **Kainoa Daines** (Royal Order of Kamehameha), **Beverly Lee** (Kapahulu Music Club), **Gerry Miyamoto** (Daughters of Hawai'i), **Kēhau Pe'a** (Assn. of Hawaiian Civic Clubs), **Lu Faborito** (Island of Moloka'i), **Louise Alina** ('Ahahui Ka'ahumanu), **Ian Custino** (Hale O Nā Ali'i), **Daryl Fujiwara** (Island of Maui), **Olivia Mann** (Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua) and **Desiree Moana Cruz** (Island of Hawai'i) via phone.

Not present: **Lionel Wright** (Papakōlea Community Association), **Kauhi Ahana** (Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association), **Kamakana Aquino** (Waimānalo Homestead Association), and **Anela Evans** (Island of Lāna'i.)

- I. *Call to Order.* Meeting called to order at 6 p.m. and quorum was not established later in the meeting Kēhau Pe'a arrived.
- II. *Review and approve minutes of previous meeting(s).* Previous meeting minutes to be submitted by Commissioners who took notes in the absence of an Executive Director. In a future meeting, with quorum, a slate of these minutes will be presented for review and approval and will later be posted on KKCC state website.
- III. *Executive Director Report* – Amy reported she has been busy performing DAGS' administrative tasks as well as working with fiscal sponsor Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement (CNHA) to review statewide expenses. In addition, she and Kainoa have already met with Kintetsu to discuss 2020 and secured their support and participation. Also, Kainoa and Amy met with the Festival of the Pacific leadership and discussed their participation in the lei draping which will take place on Friday, June 12, 2020 and the parade on Saturday, June 13, 2020. They intend to have 28 participating units. Each unit is projected to have a banner page, vehicle with dignitary, float and maximum of 100 walkers.

IV. KKCC Business

a. *Executive Committee report*

i. *2019 Financial Update* – Kainoa and Amy met with Kalani from HTA to discuss the 2020 funding and there is a possibility of the funding flowing through our fiscal sponsor to allow for funds to be received in advance for the events. This would also place the commission in the position of unifying all of the state-wide funding and much of the sponsorship pursuits, along with the advertising, leveraging and public relations efforts. More details will be provided as this potential opportunity unfolds. Additional discussion will need to take place with the current fiscal sponsor CNHA, who has recently appointed Nancy King to be our liaison. Amy reported that a check for \$72,000 was received from HTA for the first portion of our grant, which will be dispersed as soon as possible via CNHA. It was also noted that the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts will be setting aside some funding for each statue lei draping as part of their programming.

b. *Kaua‘i events report* –The Kaua‘i seat remains open, however through volunteers some level of celebration will occur and is on track. If there are any suggestions for a candidate, please forward to Amy and copy Bev.

c. *Honolulu Events Committee report:*

i. *Lei Draping Ceremony* – 2020 Lei draping protocols will be reviewed and posted on the website in the near future. It was suggested that if organizations would like to be recognized that there be a deadline for RSVP’s, as we will have more lei to be presented due to participation by FESTPAC. A recommendation was made to suggest to FESTPAC that perhaps they present ho‘okupu verses lei as presentation time is a factor. There was discussion that perhaps the date and time of the lei draping might be reconsidered but it was suggested by Louise Alina of ‘Ahahui Ka‘ahumanu, whose organization coordinates the ceremony, that the date should remain the same in keeping with tradition. The time, however, could be considered and will be added to the agenda in the future for discussion. It was also suggested that we place stanchions to restrict the area fronting the statue during the lei draping. Kainoa advised the Commissioners to take these discussions back to their respective organizations for feedback. In the previous meeting there was an inquiry to have lei placed on the neck of the statue verses the arm. It was noted however that the protocol to place lei on the neck to the arm was changed by the 2009 Commissioners. This inquiry can be discussed again at the next meeting. Desiree noted that she and Nani of North Kohala had discussed to not have lei around the neck or placing over the head, as this is their existing protocol.

ii. *104rd Annual King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade* – *The 2020 theme is “E kū i ka hoe uli – Take hold of the steering*

paddle”. The Pā‘ū queen applications have gone out and we are waiting to review and select. Due to the FESTPAC we will need to find a location to build the floats this year, possibly in Waikamilo, Ian to investigate the option.

- iii. *King Kamehameha Celebration Ho‘olaule‘a* – Planning has begun for the event to be held at Aloha Tower. It will be a multi-cultural celebration this year with time allocated for Kintetsu to perform as well as select performers from FESTPAC.
- d. *Moloka‘i events report* – Lu reported that her committees have met and determined a date and the direction of the activities for 2020, which will Honor Emmit Aluli. The celebrations will take place on Saturday, June 14, 2020 with a different parade route considered and the lū‘au to remain in the same location.
- e. *Maui events report* – Daryl advised that he has his funding in place and should be fine at this point. The date for the parade will be June 20, 2020 and the Ho‘olaule‘a will be on the 21st.
- f. *Lāna‘i events report* – Nothing to report. Daryl to check in with Anela to see if we can get something going on Lāna‘i.
- g. *Hawai‘i Island events report* – Desiree reported that the lei draping coordination process is still being discussed. Kohala will have their celebration on June 11, 2020 to include the lei draping, parade and Ho‘olaule‘a, Hilo will take place on June 10, 2020 with their lei draping and celebration on Mokuola on June 11, 2020. The Kona Celebration will be June 13, 2020.
 - i. *Hilo Statue* – Desiree reported that currently the Kamehameha Alumni Association of Hilo currently owns the statue and the State owns the surrounding grounds. The Alumni will be transferring the statue to the State Foundation. This will relieve a huge burden on this small organization for the sake of liability. Once things are in place we will need to have a vote to receive the statue officially.
- h. *Commission Reports*
 - i. *Legislative* – Kēhau said there was nothing to report other than during the last session the Daughters of Hawai‘i were officially added to the Commission. She noted if you are aware of any bills that may impact the Commission, please bring this to our attention immediately.
 - ii. *Statuary* – The State Foundation will be cleaning the Honolulu Statue every 6 months moving forward. It was noted that a letter was sent to the Judiciary and other interested parties regarding offerings and demonstrations at the base of the statue in Honolulu. This letter will remain on file and offerings and activities that take place in a peaceful and cultural manner are to be handled appropriately and with respect. This was partially in response to a complaint received in June regarding an altercation with a visitor and one of the sheriffs. This letter was an executive action intended to be proactive. In addition, it was reported that the State would be assuming responsibility for the Hilo statue in the near future; this will assist in protecting and preserving the statue. Desiree will work to secure the budgets for the Hawai‘i Island lei

draping ceremonies to aid in the acquisition which Amy is working on.

- iii. *Retention* – Bev is working on updates and a welcome kit to provide to new Commissioners.
- iv. *Roles and Responsibilities of Commissioners* – Every Commissioner should have their own kuleana with the primary responsibility for assisting in the celebrations as well as someone shadowing them. Kainoa will review designations and share at the next meeting.
- v. *Future planning* – For the 100th Anniversary of Hawaiian Homes Act we hope to have the same theme statewide. In 2022 it will be the 150th anniversary of the King Kamehameha Celebrations and we need to form a committee. Some of the activities to be considered may include having musicians writing new mele and hula, working with De Soto Brown on a commemorative book. Also possibly forming an Education Committee to ramp up the educational component of the celebrations.

V. *Public Testimony* – None.

VI. *Upcoming meeting date to be determined*

VII. *Adjourn* – Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.