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King Kamehameha Celebration Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 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: **Beverly Lee** (Kapahulu Music Club), **Gerry Miyamoto** (Daughters of Hawai'i), **Kēhau Pe'a** (Assn. of Hawaiian Civic Clubs), **Louise Alina** ('Ahahui Ka'ahumanu), **Meadow Enos** (Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua), via phone **Lu Faborito** (Island of Moloka'i). Not present: **Kainoa Daines** (Royal Order of Kamehameha), **Ian Custino** (Hale O Nā Ali'i), **Lionel Wright** (Papakōlea Community Association), **Desiree Moana Cruz** (Island of Hawai'i), **Kauhi Ahana** (Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association), **Kamakana Aquino** (Waimānalo Homestead Association), **Daryl Fujiwara** (Island of Maui), **Anela Evans** (Island of Lāna'i).

- I. *Call to Order.* Meeting called to order at 6:06 pm by Beverly Lee, Vice Chair. Quorum was not established.
- II. *Review and approve minutes of previous meeting(s).* We were not able to approve the meeting minutes as we didn't have a quorum, however, the previous meeting minutes were shared prior to the meeting and will be resent to the Commissioners for review prior to next meeting. Once approved they will be posted on KKCC state website.
- III. *Executive Director Report* – Performed required DAGS administrative tasks, created online parade application, met and worked with CNHA to track and review 2019 budget and streamline plans for 2020, worked with various Commissioners on determining 2020 budgets for each island and event, participated in the selection committee for 2020 Equestrian Queen/Princess Selection, Prepared 2019 HTA report and drafted 2020 HTA Funding Request.
- IV. KKCC Business
 - a. *Executive Committee report*
 - i. *2019 Financial Update* – Currently the Council for Native

Hawaiian Advancement (CNHA) has received a check from HTA for approximately \$72,000 with the balance to be provided upon submission of our final written report, which Amy is currently writing. She will work with CNHA to submit and secure the additional \$18,000 balance for the 2019 grant. The application for Signature Grant is due at the end of the month and will be completed and submitted once we confirm that CNHA will be the fiscal event sponsor. Amy has met with CNHA to review all of the outstanding payments for the event and ensured that the checks requests are being processed. We are in a holding pattern waiting for response from CNHA.

b. *Kaua'i events report* – Amy reported that she had met with Kimo Perry on the island of Kaua'i who advised that he had assembled a team of volunteers along with the administrative support of the Executive Director and the financial resources provided by the Commission planned to execute the Ho'olaule'a once again this year. He noted, however, that the parade would not be possible as there is major construction on Rice Street, which is on the parade route, and was concerned for the future route as currently center median strips are being placed on the street which would make using the street as the parade route very difficult.

c. *Honolulu Events Committee report:*

i. *Lei Draping Ceremony* – It was noted that the Commission will review protocols more thoroughly once we have a quorum. In the meantime, Kainoa had previously advised that we would send out some information for review in advance with some suggested protocol options. For Pā'ū last year they were introduced as a group, in previous years, each unit would present a lei but for 2020 they have been asked to present ho'okupu. Beverly noted that in discussion with the equestrian units they prefer to go up one at a time but with this year having the FESTPAC involved it would make the Lei Draping Ceremony even longer. It was agreed that we should work in advance and begin ordering the plumeria and other equipment for the Lei Draping Ceremony. Hawaiian Civic Clubs gave feedback that we should check on the arms of the statue to ensure that it can hold additional lei. It was suggested that we request the FESTPAC nations present ho'okupu to place at the base of the statue and will be removed by DAGS on the first work date following the Lei Draping. It was confirmed that Friday, June 12 was when the Lei Draping in Honolulu would take place. It was noted that FESTPAC has printed that the Lei Draping is on Thursday, June 11 so we will remind them to change their information. It was suggested to put a bamboo fence behind the statue and drape the leis over the fence but in discussion it was noted that this might be an issue with homeless damaging fencing. In the past the men of Papakōlea have come to do security overnight. Kēhau has requested that we have the protocols provided well in advance as to how the lei draping will be handled as she is already getting requests for the information.

1. *Ho'okupu* – It was noted that the new Protocols may include opportunity for presentation of ho'okupu for some

- groups verses lei presentation. This was recommended as various groups presenting ho'okupu worked well last year.
- ii. *104th Annual King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade*
Beverly recognized Kēhau Pe'a as the 2020 Pā'ū Queen and reported that all of the Princesses have been notified and we have already had our first meeting. The grounds of 'Iolani Palace will be used once again for the Pā'ū Units to get prepared. Currently, our Mō'ī has not been selected, however, we are moving forward on the parade preparations. Amy has created an online application that will be utilized this year.
 - iii. *King Kamehameha Celebration Ho'olaule'a* – The event will be at Aloha Tower again this year. There will be two stages this year with ethnic and traditional entertainment featured. Clint has met with his team and he has already started securing vendors. Since we have more advance confirmation on the location, we can include the new location in the publicity.
 - d. *Moloka'i events report* – Lu would like to get a new costume for the Mō'ī. Currently we are looking to get additional costumes. Amy to work with Kainoa to determine if we can secure a costume. Lu reported she took under advisement that the activities be moved to Saturday, June 13 verses Sunday and made provisions so that the date could be moved and are awaiting on the permit from Maui County. Lu would like to get Amy's assistance in reporting for the Maui County Economic Development grant for 2020. It was suggested that Daryl might also be a good resource as he is familiar with the Maui County reporting process.
 - e. *Maui events report* – Nothing to report.
 - f. *Lāna'i events report* – Anela Evans has asked for the procedure to withdraw from the Commission. Beverly will contact her and give her the information. Kēhau reported that she contacted Diane Preza and Keoni Degamo and is awaiting a response on their interest.
 - g. *Hawai'i Island events report* (Desiree Moana Cruz)
 - i. *Hilo Statue* – Desiree has advised that the State will take over ownership of the statue from the Kamehameha Alumni Association, which should be a relief for them as it is expensive to maintain and/or manage in the event of any damage or incident.
 - h. *Commission Reports*
 - i. *Legislative* – (Kēhau Pe'a) Nothing to report.
 - ii. *Statuary* – (Desiree Moana Cruz) In 2009, the Commission voted not to have the lei on the neck of the statue starting in 2010. Suggestions were made that this procedure be reviewed and reconsidered. Additionally, Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua, held their annual 8 a.m. ceremony and unfortunately DAGS had not removed the lei from the weekend as they are supposed to remove the first working day following the lei draping. It was noted that the State Foundation on Culture & the Arts working in conjunction with the Commission cleaned the statue prior to Lei Draping Ceremony and will continue with regularly scheduled cleanings moving forward.
 - iii. *Retention* – (Beverly Lee) Beverly Lee, Lu Faborito and Daryl will be coming off of the commission on June 30, 2020. Each person should be securing a replacement to shadow in the

meantime. Kamakana has responded to Beverly but did not provide a replacement. Kēhau may know a potential replacement for Kamakana from Waimānalo Homestead.

iv. Roles and Responsibilities of Commissioners – (Kainoa Daines)
This was tabled until next meeting.

v. Future planning – The 150th Kamehameha Day Celebration will be taking place in 2022 so we would like to start planning in advance. This was tabled until next meeting.

V. Public Testimony – No public was in attendance.

VI. Upcoming meeting date to be determined. There was a discussion of Moloka‘i hosting a meeting on island. It was advised if Lu would like to do so then we would need to list her address where she would host the meeting for public to attend.

VII. Adjourn – Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.