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King Kamehameha Celebration Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Place: Aloha Tower Marketplace, 1 Aloha Tower Drive, Honolulu, Hawai'i
in the Kulolia Private Dining Room located next to HPU Student Life.

Commissioners who Attended: **Beverly Lee** (Kapahulu Music Club), **Kēhau Pe'a** (Assn. of Hawaiian Civic Clubs), **Puake'ala Mann** (Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua), **Ian Custino** (Hale O Nā Ali'i), **Kauhi Ahana** (Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association). Not present: **Kainoa Daines** (Royal Order of Kamehameha), **Daryl Fujiwara** (Island of Maui), **Desiree Moana Cruz** (Island of Hawai'i), **Gerry Miyamoto** (Daughters of Hawai'i), **Lu Faborito** (Island of Moloka'i), **Louise Alina** ('Ahahui Ka'ahumanu), **Lionel Wright** (Papakōlea Community Association). Also in attendance: Clint Kalaola, Tidal Wave and Leonani Puailihau, CNHA

I. **Call to Order.** Meeting called to order at 6:11 pm by Beverly Lee, Co-Chair. Quorum was not established.

II. **Review and approve minutes of previous meeting(s).** Meeting minutes were reviewed but could not be approved since there was not a quorum.

III. **Executive Director Report** -- Performed required DAG's administrative tasks, attend FestPac meetings each Thursday, created digital FestPac application, created graphic parade map, Attended Pā'ū Princess Meeting and Pā'ū Rules and Regulation Meeting, Updated information on the website, Contacted emcees to host parade stands, Followed up on a grant of \$50,000 from the Hawaii State Foundation for Culture and the Arts, received and reviewed draft agreement, Worked on revising Hawaii.com website, Researched art galleries and museums listing for 2022 displays, Reviewed Commission Roles and Responsibilities and distribute to Commissioners for input, Transcribed pre-hire meeting minutes to uniform format and finalized for posting on the website.

IV. **KKCC Business**

- a. **Executive Committee Report** –Amy reported that Festival of the Pacific (FestPac) has been cancelled due to the COVID-19 it was noted that June 18th

- 22nd has been tentatively selected for 2021. It was suggested that KKCC request that FestPac consider moving the date so it coincides with our events.
- b. **Financial Update (CNHA)** – CNHA provided Amy with a financial update noting we received the 2019 HTA funds and currently have a balance of \$18,000 with several reimbursements to be processed upon receipt. We are waiting confirmation of the 2020 grant.
 - c. **Kaua'i Report** – Lyah Kama-Drake's name and application has been submitted to the Governor and we are awaiting confirmation and the results of a criminal background check. Sharon with the Governor's office reported that she mailed out information but it was returned so she will be resending the information. Please note there will be no parade this year due to construction on Rice Street.
 - d. **O`ahu Report --**
 - i. **Lei Draping Ceremony, (Friday, June 12, 2020, 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm)** –The suggested protocols were discussed and it was determined the vote would be postponed to next month. We will be upgrading the sound system this year for better coverage. It was suggested that Gerry Miyamoto man the lei draping receiving table. In addition, we would create a second banner to recognize the lei drop off area and order the same tent set up as last year. We need to determine who will present the lei if Lionel's group is unable to participate and require approximately six men to help. We are suggesting slacks and a nice aloha shirt or polo shirts verses malo. To arrive at 1 pm. Commission to wear a uniform to wear a polo shirt. The plumeria lei would be scheduled to go up at approximately 1 pm. Bev has already requested the Fire Department to participate, as last year they reported the Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts had not notified them until 4 days prior to the event. Normally the Kaka'ako Station or Kukui Plaza Stations are invited with Ocean Kaowili requested to participate and act as the lead as he also belongs to the Royal Order of Kamehameha. Moving forward, The Royal Hawaiian Band will be listed in our program with description of the event activities listed on a formal agenda to reduce public confusion on the start time of the event. It was noted that lei general draping presentations would follow after the royal societies. Commissioners present reported that they presented to their organizations and there was no feedback on lei draping to report. Bev planned to ask Keola Chan to assist with protocols.
 - ii. **104th Annual King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade (Saturday, June 13, 2020, 9:30 am – 1 pm)** – Mo'i applications are currently online, as well as parade applications. Beverly gave an update for the Pā'ū Units Since FestPac is cancelled we can now build the floats at the Hawai'i Convention Center although Kintetsu has reduced their sponsorship for this year unfortunately to half of last year's. The possibility of a Grand Marshal related to the 200th anniversary of the missionaries in Hawaii and Kawaiaha'o Church was a consideration discussed, however, there was concern of how the iwi is on their grounds is being handled. Other possible suggestions included – Chairman of the commission from a long time ago. In addition, there was discussion of our theme as we were utilizing the

FestPac theme, however that would mean we would recycle it for 2021 as well unless we change it. Some of the Pā‘ū Units have it already printed on their t-shirts. Bev was going to ask "Kimo" Alama Keaulana or maybe there is a past volunteer to honor.

iii. King Kamehameha Celebration Ho‘olaule‘a, (Saturday, June 13, 2020, 2 pm – 8 pm) – Clint Kalaola gave a report that he has met with the committee after FestPac’s cancellation. In an effort to get participants – the cost has been reduced for food vendors from \$300 to \$200 and from \$200 to \$150 for craft vendors. There is an early bird special were applicants receive \$50 off if they sign up before April 15. Layout will be closer to the main stage and along the wall that leads to the parking lot. There will still be a cultural tent that will now feature Hawaiian crafts such as weaving, ‘ōlelo or a lua demonstration. Deadline for vendor confirmations is May 14. General meeting will happen on Thursday, May 21 at the State Capitol at 6 pm. The application is on the website and live link can be sent to all the commissioners to send out to their respective organizations. The volunteer meeting is the following week on Saturday, June 6 at 9 am where participants can pick up shirts, and receive a brief on roles and responsibilities related to parade, etc. The committee is working on some neighbor island groups to perform and researching costs as an attraction. Also working on a few other things related to sponsorship packages will be distributed over the next couple of days. Currently the time slots will be adjusted as previously half were slated for FestPac. Now we are slating 1 hour for headliner the other 5 hours in 30-minute segments. Larger hālau performances groups will be pursued as well as three schools recommended to appear. We plan to work on the advertising jointly and going a bit heavier on the advertising in combination with the statewide campaign. Ho`olaule`a will probably utilize the Kolohe Crew to be emcees. This is an effort to build and expand the brand and grow the event. Last year there were over 30 vendor and we hope to be at around the same level. Vendor applications are currently online.

e. ***Moloka‘i Report*** – Nothing to report.

f. ***Maui Report*** – Nothing to report.

g. ***Lāna‘i Report*** – Nothing to report.

h. ***Hawai‘i Island Report*** (Desiree Moana Cruz)
Hilo Statue – Nothing to report.

i. Commission Reports

i. Legislative – (Kēhau Pe‘a) Nothing to report.

ii. Statuary – (Desiree Moana Cruz) Desiree is working closely with the group in Hilo to sort out the details for the transfer of the Hilo statue to the State of Hawai‘i. Amy reported that we have received the draft grant terms for sponsorship of the Lei Draping from the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts. We are reviewing the terms and will respond to shortly to secure the funds.

iii. Retention – (Beverly Lee) Beverly Lee reported that we have not yet heard anything from Punahale Pires who has been nominated to be the new Waimānalo Hawaiian Homestead Association Commissioner. Jerald "Kimo" Alama Keaulana from Kapahulu Music Club has applied.

In addition, Ben Cockett and Heli Silva have been considered for the Moloka'i seat but neither has officially applied. Awaiting word from Sharon Ibarra regarding the proposed Commissioner to replace Anela Evans, Lāna'i Commissioner as Darlene Endrina is being considered. Awaiting word from Daryl on potential Maui Commissioner replacement Jamie Moanikeala Whittle Wagner. Lionel at one point has said that he was not interested in continuing with the commission and would secure a replacement but now has shown renewed interest. Bev is currently working on all of these positions.

iv. Roles and Responsibilities of Commissioners – (Kainoa Daines) A document with suggested Roles and Responsibilities was distributed to the Commissioners at the last meeting for review and discussion and resent prior to this meeting for input. This document will be discussed in more detail and roles determined at the next meeting. The discussion that took place indicated that we needed more clarification and perhaps that the suggested revisions added from the original be bolded or italicized for review. Each commissioner was advised to review and forward the changes to Amy prior to our next meeting so we can incorporate them into a master document with these suggested revisions to be discussed.

v. Future planning – The 150th Kamehameha Day Celebration (declared in 1871 and celebrated in 1872) will be taking place in 2022 so we would like to begin advance planning. This discussion and the formation of a committee will be tabled until the next meeting. Kēhau volunteered to be a member but not the committee chair.

V. Public Testimony – None.

VI. Miscellaneous – We will research if it is possible to do video conferencing meeting with Commissioners in an effort to limit exposure of COVID-19. We will be looking at the end of March to make a decision on the possible scenarios for the events this year which could include proceed as planned, postponement or cancellation. We will need determine and implement a refund policy for parade applicants if needed.

VII. Upcoming meeting – Tuesday, April 14, 2020

VIII. Adjourn – Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm