King Kamehameha Celebration Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2020
Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Place: Sunshine Law has been suspended due to COVID-19; therefore, the meeting took place via Zoom.

Commissioners who attended via phone: Kainoa Daines (Royal Order of Kamehameha), Gerry Miyamoto (Daughters of Hawai‘i), Louise Alina (‘Ahahui Ka‘ahumanu), Kimo Alama Keaulana (Kapahulu Music Club), Kēhau Pe‘a (Assn. of Hawaiian Civic Clubs), Ian Custino (Hale O Nā Ali‘i), Moanike‘ala Whittle-Wagner (Island of Maui), Kauhi Ahana (Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association), Desiree Moana Cruz (Island of Hawai‘i), Heli Silva (Island of Moloka‘i), Not present: Puake‘ala Mann (Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua), Lyah Kama-Drake (Island of Kaua‘i), Darlene Endrina (Island of Lāna‘i), Lionel Wright (Papakōlea Community Association), Vacant (Waimānalo Hawaiian Homestead Association). Also in attendance: Clint Kalaola, Tidal Wave Productions (Volunteer Parade Chair), and Leonani Puailihau, CNHA.

Call to Order - Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm by Kainoa Daines, Chair. Quorum was established.

I. Review and approve minutes of previous meeting(s) – July Meeting minutes were approved.

II. Executive Director's Report -- Performed required DAG’s administrative tasks, followed up on the Maui County Grants for Maui and Moloka‘i, revised sponsorship agreements, reviewed CNHA draft agreement, updated meeting minutes to the DAGS website, sorted and organized office files, attended fire extinguisher inspection.

III. Marketing and communications -- Nothing to report.

IV. KKCC Business
   a. Executive Committee Report – Nothing to report.
   b. Financial Update (Leonani Puailihau, CNHA) – Leonani reported the outstanding balance of $5,142 from HTA was received in August for the 2020 grant. However, it was already reflected in the July’s year-to-date financial report that’s within the total, $13,578.99. She noted that this month’s report
had not changed from July’s report, except for the receipt of the outstanding balance of $5,142 from HTA. Kainoa reminded Leonani that, moving forward, she is to provide an updated current monthly financial report for our meetings. He reiterated that this should be provided for review to the Executive Committee (Kainoa, Ian and Amy) at least one week prior to the upcoming meeting.

**Commissioner reports/updates non-island specific representatives**

b. Louise – They are having regular board meetings, nothing new to report.
c. Ian – Nothing to report.
d. Puakeʻala – Nothing to report.
e. Gerry – Nothing to report.
f. Kēhau – Kēhau reported that the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs is having a virtual convention.
h. Kimo – Kimo advised that he was working with John Berger on an article for KKCC and Kainoa noted that he had already received a call from John and will return his call soon. Kimo also advised that he has a meeting with the Hawaiʻi State Archives to see what they have regarding the king and the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.

V. **Kauaʻi Report** (Lyah Kama-Drake) – Nothing to report.

VI. **Oʻahu Report** (Kainoa Daines) – Nothing to report.

VII. **Molokaʻi Report** (Heli Silva) – Heli reported that Molokaʻi island’s activities to celebrate King Kamehameha will consist of an evening parade, a holokū ball (at Hotel Molokaʻi), a hoʻolaleʻa and their first annual King Kamehameha Falsetto Contest. These events will take place on June 17 - 18, 2021 (Friday & Saturday). She is collaborating with the Kamehameha Schools’ alumni to clean up the area where Kamehameha’s summer home once was because that is where the parade will end. Amy shared that Daryl Fujiwara, previous Maui KKCC Commissioner, advised that the KKCC Molokaʻi activities will be awarded a grant (the award amount is yet to be determined) from the Maui County. No assistance from CNHA will be required as it was submitted via a Maui non-profit. Daryl also advised Heli that the Molokaʻi Committee would need to provide proof of matching funds for this grant. Heli noted that they will most likely host a hulihuli chicken sale.

VIII. **Maui Report** – (Moanikeʻala Whittle-Wagner) Amy shared that Daryl also advised that Maui County was awarded a grant for the KKCC Maui Activities with an amount yet to be determined. No assistance from CNHA will be required as it was submitted via a Maui non-profit too.

IX. **Lānaʻi Report** (Darlene Endrina) – Darlene emailed yesterday to recommend Diane Preza, who lives on Lānaʻi, to apply for the commission seat in place of her. We are awaiting Diane’s response and contact information.

X. **Hawaiʻi Island Report** -- (Desiree Moana Cruz) Nothing new to report.
XI. Commission Reports
   a. **Legislative** (Kēhau Pe’a) – Nothing to report.
   b. **Statuary** – (Desiree Moana Cruz) – Nothing to report.
   c. **Retention** – (Gerry Miyamoto) – Gerry, Beverly Lee and Amy had a conference call today with Sharon Ibarra to review the process, procedures and the current retention status of commissioners. Kēhau will need to submit another application and letter of recommendation from the Hawaiian Civic Club. Kēhau noted that she hasn’t heard back from the pelekikena if she will be continuing on with KKCC. Gerry also advised that she will provide an updated list for everyone at the next meeting.
   d. **Finance Committee** – A vote was approved to create a fundraising investigative committee and to change the name, Finance Committee, to Fundraising Committee. Kainoa nominated Ian to be the committee chair and Ian accepted. He will work closely with CNHA, our fiscal sponsor, and the commission to develop a list of potential sponsors to pursue.
   e. **State Archives** – Kēhau and Kimo have volunteered to go to the Archives to assist.
   f. **Future Planning**
      i. Kainoa, Amy and Desiree are developing a plan to work with museums and artists to display about King Kamehameha for the 150th Anniversary of the King Kamehameha Celebration in June 2022. Kainoa noted that he reached out to FestPAC to see if they will assist us in 2022 and we will reciprocate to assist them for their rescheduled FestPAC event in June 2024. We are looking to bring out items for media, social media and displays from the archives in celebration of the holiday.
      ii. At the last meeting a vote was approved to form an investigative committee to plan for the 150th Anniversary of the King Kamehameha Celebration that will be held in June 2022. Please email Amy if you would like to join the committee and indicate how you plan to contribute.

XII. **Public Testimony** – None.

XIII. **Miscellaneous**
   a. Kainoa will check his schedule and create a doodle survey of suggested meeting dates to review the commission’s Roles and Responsibilities draft document. This document is created to establish informational guidelines for in-coming commissioners. If possible, it would be good to have neighbor island commissioners fly over to also participate in the meeting.
   b. Kainoa will put out an email regarding suggested themes for the 2021 celebrations and was considering the Hawaiian Homestead Act as a potential theme. If anyone has thoughts on the ‘ōlelo of this please forward those suggestions to Kainoa. He is hopeful to make the theme statewide this year to celebrate all of the various homesteads on each island. Maui has generally been good to adopt O‘ahu’s theme each year. This unified theme may also be helpful to collectively collaborate our fundraising efforts statewide.

XIV. **Upcoming meeting** – Tuesday, September 8, 2020

XV. **Adjourn** – Meeting adjourned at 6:46 pm