King Kamehameha Celebration Commission Meeting Minutes

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

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

I. **Call to Order** -- Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Kainoa Daines, Chair. Quorum was established.

II. **Review and approve minutes of previous meeting(s)** -- November Meeting Minutes were approved.

III. **Executive Director’s Report** -- Performed required DAG’s administrative tasks: Drafted Letter for Hawai‘i State Archives, Attended DAG’s Mandatory Meeting, Researched Commission Information, Coordinated Roles and Responsibilities Meeting, Followed up on fiscal sponsor research, Attended HIP Timekeeper Training and Q & A Meeting, met with Executive Committee to review and discuss fiscal sponsor, created meeting agenda, updated meeting minutes and posted to Dags website, held follow-up meetings with Project Manager regarding demolition of Annex Building, Office organization.

IV. **Marketing and Communications** -- Nothing to report.

V. **KKCC Business**
a. **Executive Committee Report** -- Met with CNHA to finalize details of their fiscal sponsorship. Kainoa reported Leonani has left CNHA so we will not have an official financial report.

b. **Financial Update (CNHA)** -- Since there were no transactions this month the current balance is the same as last month, $13,890.58.

   i. **Fundraising Committee** (Ian Custino) -- Nothing to report.

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

a. Royal Order of Kamehameha (Kainoa Daines) -- Meeting via Zoom only, he noted that he filmed an Aloha Authentic episode and did a plug for 2021 and 2022 festivities which will air on KHON and online.

b. ‘Ahahui Ka‘ahumanu (Louise Alina) -- Meeting on Zoom and they are working on the calendar for 2021 and tentatively planning lei draping for June 11, 2021.

c. Hale O Nā Ali‘i (Ian Custino) -- Nothing to report.

d. Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua (Puake‘ala Mann) -- They are having an in-person meeting this weekend.

e. Daughters of Hawai‘i (Gerry Miyamoto) -- Nothing to report.

f. Assn. of Hawaiian Civic Clubs (Kēhau Pe‘a) -- Reported a successful virtual AHCC online convention.

g. Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association (Kauhi Ahana) -- Nothing to report.

h. Kapahulu Music Club (Kimo Alama Keaulana) -- Nothing to report.

i. Waimānalo Hawaiian Homestead Association (Vacant)

j. Papakōlea Community Association (Vacant)

**VII. Hawai‘i Island Report** (Desiree Moana Cruz) -- Nothing to report.

**VIII. Maui Report** (Moani ke‘ala Whittle-Wagner) -- The parade committee met last week and everyone is excited. Have tentatively decided that in the event they are unable to hold a public parade on Front Street 6/19/21 they have secured Oskie Rice Arena on 6/6/21 to have a competition where they will ride and create a video of the competition to show on social media on June 19 and add Princesses interview. Parade award winners would be presented live on June 19.

**IX. Kaua‘i Report** (Lyah Kama-Drake) -- Their committee is planning on moving everything planned for 2020 to 2021.

X. **Moloka‘i Report** (Heli Silva) -- Nothing to report.

XI. **Lāna‘i Report** (Vacant) -- Awaiting responses on potential candidates. Kēhau received a suggestion from a friend to ask Anthony Pacheco from OHA to assist as well. Anyone else who has suggestions please forward for consideration.

XII. **O‘ahu Report** (Kainoa Daines) -- We have been brainstorming and discussing to still hold the lei draping, even if we need to enact social distance measures. We are also looking to put together a shortened ride or a statewide video as the celebration in place of the traditional parade. We will plan for the parade at present with a March 1st deadline to cancel if restrictions still remain statewide. We will also plan to hold the Ho‘olaule’a once we are able to secure a location. Please share these plans with your respective organizations and be sure to share any brainstorming ideas that they may wish to provide. Regarding the equestrian units, Beverly Lee reported that she has spoken with the princesses regarding 2021 who are good to go and she has also spoken with one ranch that is good to go.
Commission Reports

a. **Legislative** (Kēhau Pe’a) -- Nothing to report since the legislature is still adjourned.

b. **Statuary** (Desiree Moana Cruz) -- We need to decide on the specifics of a lei draping plan and events for 2021 as the rest of the state is taking the lead from us. Kainoa has asked Amy to distribute the 2020 lei draping video to Commissioners so we can determine what to do for 2021.

c. **Retention** (Gerry Miyamoto) -- Bev contacted Waimānalo Hawaiian Homestead Association and spoke with Kīlauea Wilson. She then forwarded him the information and provided mutual contact information for him and Gerry to follow up in order to have something confirmed by the end of the year. Bev has also contacted the Papakōlea Community Association who reported that their representative Nani Omerod has decided not to participate due to her work schedule. They will continue to look for a candidate. Darlene Endrina and Diane Preza have responded that they are still looking for candidates. Kainoa has also contacted several others on Lāna‘i. We need to consider and discuss some of these organizational seats to add or remove and that is done through the legislature. For example, if an organization has been dormant then we may want to opt to dismiss them and add another more active organization. It was suggested that in the future, we might want to consider changing the date and wording on the voting. It was discussed if we didn’t have an organization representative, that a liaison with the organization be designated for voting and input purposes. It was suggested if we are unable to find a commissioner for Lāna‘i, perhaps it could fall under the collaboration of Maui and Moloka‘i.

   i. Website Listing for Commissioners Term Limits Vote -- It was discussed and determined that we would follow best practices set by the standards of the Boards and Commissioners and the other agencies that fall under that organization. This practice is that the other boards do not list term limit expiration dates and the vote was dismissed.

d. **State Archives** -- Amy followed up with Adam Jansen from State Archives requesting a letter to invite KKCC volunteers to assist. Adam is meeting with his staff to review the potential opportunities and ensure he has adequate staff available to manage. He requested additional information on our specific goals for the research to help him determine how best to proceed. Puake‘ala noted that she referred someone to Adam and he will be picking her up as a volunteer, however, he will not be having people come in until January or February. Moani noted that if we can go as a Commission post pandemic then they could prepare boxes for us to go through and be more productive.

XIII. **(2022) 150th Kamehameha Day Celebration Committee** -- Kainoa distributed a letter to museums and art galleries to request their participation in the 2022 150th celebration festivities. To date he has received a response from Hulihe‘e and Waimea Valley. Desiree spoke with the Volcano Art Center and they confirmed that they will be participating and will be working with Desiree to draft a letter to the art galleries as how best to participate. She will be meeting them again this Saturday and they will also lend their list of museums for us to contact. Kainoa will follow up with each museum on the respective island. Kainoa will forward the letter to everyone so they
are aware of what is being requested: creating new art, music, oli, hula and more. Kainoa has already worked out something with the library to have a program and will be meeting with the DOE soon. Another idea was to pursue a new image of Kamehameha from an artist to generate some relevant materials. This may also be a good starting place to pursue a potential statue on Maui, since there was some previous discussion about it. Potentially we will want to create a new music cd. We need to pursue nation media. Perhaps in 2022 the Kamehameha Schools may be involved to incorporate something supporting the festivities statewide in their song contest and theatre? Kēhau shared that we could ask our Pacific cousins to participate as well.

XIV. Public Testimony -- None

XV. Miscellaneous
   a. We will be meeting virtually on Wednesday from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. to discuss the Roles and Responsibilities of KKCC Commissioners. Amy will be distributing some materials to review prior to the meeting following this evenings meeting.

XVI. Upcoming meeting -- Tuesday, January 12, 2021 from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

XVII. Adjourn -- Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.