King Kamehameha Celebration Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2021
Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Place: Sunshine Law has been suspended due to COVID-19’s gathering restrictions; the meeting took place via Zoom.

Commissioners who attended via Zoom: Kainoa Daines (Royal Order of Kamehameha), Moanikeʻala Whittle-Wagner (Island of Maui), Kehaulani Keanaʻaina, (Daughters of Hawaiʻi), Louise Alina (ʻAhahui Kaʻahumanu), Kimo Alama Keaulana, (Kapahulu Music Club), Ian Custino (Hale O Nā Aliʻi), Kēhau Peʻa (Assn. of Hawaiian Civic Clubs), Puakeʻala Mann (Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua), Lyah Kama-Drake (Island of Kauaʻi), and Keone Kealoha, (Kanu Hawaiʻi).

Also in attendance: Clint Kalaola with Tidal Wave Productions, (Volunteer Parade Co-Chair/Hoʻolauleʻa Chair), Bev Lee, (Volunteer Equestrian Chair), Manu Powers, (Daughters of Hawaiʻi) and Lionel Wright, (Papakōlea Community Association).

Not present: Desiree Moana Cruz (Island of Hawaiʻi), Heli Silva (Island of Molokaʻi), Vacant (Papakōlea Community Association), Vacant (Island of Lānaʻi) and Vacant (Waimānalo Hawaiian Homestead Association).

I. Call to Order -- Meeting called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Kainoa Daines, Chair.
II. Review and approve minutes of previous meeting(s) -- Quorum was established and the August and September meeting minutes were approved.
III. Executive Director’s Report -- Reviewed brief on new Sunshine Law going into effect on January 1st and in-practice is immediate. Performed regularly required DAG’s administrative duties and tasks. Additional activity included continuing with HiPro (State of Hawaiʻi eProcurement) Procurement System training, completed all but three courses for an elevated level of procurement. Unfortunately, the state is transitioning the training systems and some of the required courses are not available until further notice, which delays certification and 2022 Procurement solicitation. Supplied State Foundation on Culture and the Arts (SFCA) with content to create a new web page on the SFCA site. Attended the bi-
monthly DAGS staff meeting and responded to KKCC Retention committee-related email. Attended four HTA Webinar briefings on the HTA Community Enrichment Program (CEP) grant for each county and began applying for grants. Scheduled meetings with all island event planners and met with Maui representatives to discuss 2022 plans. Attended Social Media Archive training webinar. Reviewed new P-Card procedures and completed Revenue report.

IV. **KKCC Business**

   a. **Executive Committee Report** -- Nothing to report.

   i. **Financial Update** (Keone Kealoha, Kanu Hawai‘i) -- Keone reported a $5 per month fee deducted for the paper statement cost leaving an account balance of $4,881.76, Keone advised he will cancel paper statement copies to save the fee. Trust Fund Account is at $35,000. Ian advised a more detailed statement will be provided in a shared folder prior to the next meeting.

   ii. **Fundraising Committee** (Ian Custino) – It was suggested to pursue sponsorship earlier in the year to capitalize on companies that operate on an end-of-fiscal year in June. The challenge, however, is time constraint since it’s also our busiest time of the year for event planning & execution.

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

   a. Royal Order of Kamehameha (Kainoa Daines) -- Still meeting via Zoom and nothing to report.

   b. ‘Ahahui Ka‘ahumanu (Louise Alina) -- They are meeting live each month at Bishop Museum.

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

   d. Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua (Puake‘ala Mann) -- Their last meeting was in July and they will have their next meeting in November.

   e. Daughters of Hawai‘i (Kehaulani Keana‘aina) -- They have been meeting both live and virtually. Kehaulani thanked everyone for their support with their successful live auction which ended last week.

   f. Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs (Kēhau Pē‘a) -- Next month they will hold their annual Convention virtually.

   g. Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association (Kawika Trask) – Kawika was elected as first vice president of the KSAA O‘ahu Chapter, which automatically placed him as their rep for KKCC. He invited everyone to the O‘ahu Regional Meeting on October 13 at 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. to spotlight panelists’ discussion on the Kamehameha Schools Trustees’ selection process. If you are interested to attend, call the Hawai‘i Foundation for the link.

   h. Kapahulu Music Club (Kimo Alama Keaulana) -- In preparation for an in-person parade in 2022, Kimo has secured a location and will plan for a pā‘ū draping workshop.

   i. Waimānalo Hawaiian Homestead Association (Vacant) -- Nothing to report.

   j. Papakōlea Community Association (Vacant) -- Lionel noted three distinct organizations exist within the Papakōlea community. He also reported that he is working to restore the Papakōlea Community Association.

VI. **Hawai‘i Island Report** (Desiree Moana Cruz) – Manu Powers reported that the Kona Committee has met and she will be forwarding the Kona plan soon.

VII. **Maui Report** (Moanike‘ala Whittle-Wagner) -- The Maui Pā‘ū Committee met on September 16 and will move forward with an in-person parade on Front Street with six
riders in each unit. They plan to meet again this month. The riders are committed to participate in a virtual event if the live event is not possible.

VIII. **Kaua‘i Report** (Lyah Kama-Drake) -- Their committee is currently working on a virtual Lei Draping event. They have not discussed a live parade at this point.

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

X. **Lāna‘i Report** (Vacant) -- Nothing to report.

XI. **O‘ahu Report** (Kainoa Daines) -- Lei Draping ceremony will take place on Friday, June 10, 2022.

XII. **Commission Reports**

a. **Legislative** (Manu Powers) -- Kainoa asked Manu to volunteer as the Legislative Committee Chair and she accepted the role.

b. **Statuary** (Desiree Moana Cruz) -- The SFCA completed restoration work on the Honolulu Statue late last month. We are awaiting the schedule for cleaning and maintenance of all statues. Kainoa noted we are meeting with Micah Alameda from the Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association Hilo Chapter will discuss the transfer of the Hilo Statue from the Alumni Association to the State. He noted that the Hilo Chapter will continue to mālama the statue.

c. **Retention** (Kēhau Pe‘a & Kehaulani Keana‘aina) -- On behalf of the Retention committee, Kēhau reported that currently we have three vacant seats (Lāna‘i, Waimānalo and Papakūle) at present and are actively pursuing to fill those positions by the end of the year. She thanked Kawika Trask for submitting his application. She reminded commissioners to provide your contact information and ideally with one priority email address. Amy will distribute the commission contact list to all Commissioners. As a reminder the following terms will end in June 2022: Ian (Hale O Nā Ali‘i), Lyah (Kaua‘i Island) and Kawika Trask (Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association). The next end of terms will be June 2023: Puake‘ala (Māmakakaua), Kimo (Kapahulu Music Club) and Moaniʻkā‘a (Maui Island). They will need to reapply with letter of intent, resume, and letter of recommendation from their organizations. Lyah and Moani do not need to submit this as they are appointed. Kehaulani reported that they are creating an on-line orientation folder for new commissioners and a FAQ document for potential commissioners. She asked everyone to please respond to the Retention committee’s request for suggested questions for the Frequently Asked Questions document.

d. **State Archives** (Kimo Alama Keaulana) -- Kimo reported that he ran into Adam Jansen with the State Archives who advised he has a half a dozen people that are digitizing photos.

e. **O‘ahu Parade, Ho‘olauleʻa and Pāʻū Units** (Clint Kalaola, O‘ahu Parade Co-Chair and Bev Lee, Equestrian Chair) -- Kainoa noted that the parade committee is still in discussion and planning mode about an in-person parade, as COVID restrictions are easing, with a virtual program as a back-up. The committee hopes to decide by the end of this year. A site inspection was made at Kualoa Ranch as a possible location to film the pāʻū units for a virtual parade, along with interviews and historical information. Bev commented that she has not met with the princesses without definitive information on a proposed plan. This is due to the high cost of the horses ranging between $800 - $1,000 per horse with seven riders in each unit. Once Bev knows more, she will hold a meeting. Bev would like to have commitments to ride if it is live or virtual. At present, some units do not want to participate if the event is virtual. It was noted also that pāʻū fundraisers can be held regardless of the status of
the parade. Clint advised he had nothing new to report about the Hoʻolauleʻa as no venues are confirming dates.

f. **150th Kamehameha Day Celebration Committee** -- 2022 Theme: E Ola Ka Mōʻi Kamehameha! – Long live King Kamehameha! – Kainoa noted that we are looking for suggestions and reported the consent of 12 museums to put on exhibits honoring King Kamehameha. Kanu Hawaiʻi will be working with the Department of Education for a statewide art in the schools program. A social media plan will be implemented to support the celebration. In addition, will work in partnership with Lei Aliʻi to cross-promote the events. Kawika suggested putting together a series of presentations on Kamehameha ‘Ekahi and other Kamehameha ‘ohana. He plans to present the idea to KSAA for something that could run monthly and will report back. Kainoa noted that we are currently working with Kauʻi Burgess, Kamehameha Schools’ Director of Community & Government Relations, regarding sponsorship funding.

XIII. **Public Testimony** -- Nothing to report.

XIV. **Miscellaneous** -- Nothing to report.

XV. **Upcoming meeting** -- Tuesday, November 9, 2021 from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

XVI. **Adjourn** -- Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.