King Kamehameha Celebration Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, July 12, 2022
Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Place: Zoom and State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Multipurpose Room

Commission Attendees: Kainoa Daines (Royal Order of Kamehameha), Kēhau Peʻa (Assn. of Hawaiian Civic Clubs), Louise Alina (ʻAhahui Kaʻahumanu), Moaniʻeʻala Whittle-Wagner (Island of Maui), Napuʻunoa Crabbe (Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association), and Desiree Moana Cruz (Island of Hawaiʻi).

Attendees: Clint Kalaola with Tidal Wave Productions (Volunteer Parade Co-Chair/Hoʻolauleʻa Chair), Beverly Lee, (Equestrian Chair), Tylor Tanaka (Molokaʻi Volunteer), Ronald J. Daines, Lilia Daines Sugimura and Travis Sugimura.

I. Call to Order, establish quorum -- Meeting called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Chair Kainoa Daines and then proceeded to conduct the roll call.

II. Review and approve minutes of previous meeting(s) -- Quorum was not established. The June 7 meeting minutes were tabled until the next meeting.

III. Public Testimony -- Kēhau Pea testified as the Pāʻū Queen noting she appreciated being selected and participating on behalf of herself and her hula and pāʻū ʻohana. She wanted to share some feedback from her ʻohana regarding the management of quieting the parade participants to enhance the experience of the parade. She mentioned she had forgotten to communicate to her units the instructions for stopping all music or loud noises when they cross Kapahulu Avenue, an instruction that was presented at the mandatory parade meeting. She commented that everyone forgets sometime so she offered the following ideas to remind and bolster the implementation of the noise restrictions. Kēhau suggested there be additional volunteers to remind participants at the beginning and end of the parade route, volunteers could hold up additional signs near Kapahulu Avenue.

IV. Executive Director’s Report (Amy Hammond) -- Commissioners were reminded that their video must be on throughout the meeting, while public attendees, do not need to have their videos on. Commissioners were reminded to announce themselves, name only before speaking and speak slowly, be concise and address only relevant information. In addition, when attending virtually when you first speak, please announce anyone in the area. Amy
noted she completed the regularly required DAGS administrative duties and tasks including the year end responsibilities. Other activities included working closely with events statewide to assist with any details required for execution. Conducted lou use practice sessions in preparation for lei draping. Finalized the arrangements with the Neal Blaisdell Center regarding use of the Exhibition Hall for float building. Communicated with Oʻahu Lei Draping and Parade participants to finalize details. Assisted in the execution of the Oʻahu events working closely with the Mayorʻs Office of Culture and the Arts, the Oʻahu Parade Committee and the ʻAhahui Kaʻahumanu. Executed the statewide advertising and public relations campaigns. Began recap meetings and distribution of thank you letters. Began gathering information to be included in 2023 sponsorship packages. Continued to work closely with Kala Foundation on gathering information for HTA documentation and initial submission of report next week. It was noted that the annual position and funding for the Executive Director position was approved.

V. **KKCC Business**

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

   i. Looking into creating an investigative committee to plan for a commission retreat date in September or October. The committee would put together the goals and objectives, roles and responsibilities, education time, coordinate travel protocols, a visit to Mauna ʻAla, to name a few. DAGS reminded that a part of the retreat would need to be opened to the public, according to the Sunshine Law, which might require an overnight. KKCC would pay for airfare and hotel. We are looking for a public venue for a day and a half with meals. Please let Kainoa or Amy know if you wish to participate in the committee and/or are able to secure a venue for the retreat. Possible venues: Kaʻiwakīlou moku at Kamehameha Schools-Kapālama campus, the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts. Moani mentioned she is not available to meet on the weekend after Labor Day, Desiree is not available in September. It was decided to push the retreat to October.

   ii. Table Outreach and education committee.

ii. **Financial Update** (Ian Custino) -- Kanu Hawaiʻi will no longer be our fiscal sponsor. Kala Foundation will be our fiscal sponsor moving forward. Include Kala Foundation in the update moving forward. Kala Foundation is finalizing the HTA deliverables so we can submit the payments to everyone. If you have deliverables due, please forward those to Amy as soon as possible.

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

iv. **Committee Reports**

   i. **Legislative** (Manu Powers) -- Nothing to report.

   ii. **Statuary** (Desiree Moana Cruz) -- Desiree reported she was disappointed that they were not able to get the transfer of the Hilo Statue but will be happy to continue to work in a lesser role to assist with this project.

   iii. **Retention** (Kēhau Peʻa and Kehaulani Keanaʻaina) -- Kēhau reported that she and Kehaulani had met briefly on the phone. Vacant seats remain for Waimānalo Hawaiian Homestead Association, Papakōlea Community Association , Island of Kaauʻi, Island of Molokaʻi and Island of Lānaʻi. Amy will provide the introductory information to commissioners since we intend to have the seats filled prior to the retreat. We are awaiting a response from Kimo Perry regarding Kaauʻi.

   iv. **State Archives** (Kimo Alama Keaulana) -- Nothing to report.
v. **Events**

1. **Kaua'i Ho'olaule'a** (Vacant) -- The event occurred, and we are awaiting documentation to compile the report.

2. **O'ahu**
   
a. **Parade, Ho'olaule'a** (Clint Kalaola, O‘ahu Parade Co-Chair) -- Clint reported that we got a good response from the Department of Transportation (DOT), who mentioned that the road closures and traffic flow worked better than before. Irene with DOT mentioned that we got the word out effectively and had minimum to zero complaints regarding traffic and road closures. Ho‘olaule‘a was very successful with an estimate of 7,000 people attending, food vendors sold out, crafters did well mentioning it was the best event they had, entertainment went well and we had good photo murals.

   b. **Statue Lei Draping** (Louise Alina) -- Louise reported that everything went very well and there were no issues. It was great to see the amount of locals and visitors that attended the parade. She inquired if anyone else did video the parade. Louise was not impressed with the filming done by ‘Ōlelo. Clint liked the format with the lou in place of the fire truck. The layout was much better.

3. **Moloka‘i Parade/Ho‘olaule‘a** (Vacant) -- Tylor Tanaka reported that they started off on Friday night at the King’s Gala dressed in their holoku to enjoy the music and hula. Aunty Leimomi Ho performed to honor the ali‘i. The parade was the following day and noted that 2,500 attendees came to the Ho‘olaule‘a, 16 non-profits and food vendors. For next year, they will plan to have the parade and ho‘olaule‘a later in the day so it will be cooler. The pageant and gala were both a success. They are happy and excited to do it again next year. Kainoa thanked Tylor for carrying on the work that Heli Silva Ducaroy began.

4. **Maui Parade/Ho‘olaule‘a** (Moanike‘ala Whittle-Wagner) -- Moani reported that the event was a huge success with many visitors and residents attending. She recognized Daryl for his great work securing the entertainers. Clint brought shirts to the Maui event and they sold well and people are still interested. The Parade went very well and the Bursey ‘ohana did a great job. It was wonderful to get everyone out and there was a crowd. There is a wrap up meeting on July 27 were the Pā‘ū folks will select their islands for next year. They culminated the parade with the awards at the Banyan Tree. T-shirt orders can be sent to Clint. He appreciated the reception from Daryl and Moani.

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

6. **Island of Hawai‘i**
   
a. **Hilo Lei Draping and Kohala Lei Draping/Parade/ Ho‘olaule‘a** (Desiree Moana Cruz) -- Nothing to report.

   b. **Kona Lei Draping/Parade/ Ho‘olaule‘a** (Kehaulani Keana‘aina) -- Nothing to report.
7. **150th Kamehameha Day Celebration Committee** (Kainoa Daines) -- Nothing to report.

VI. **Commissioner reports/updates non-island specific representatives**
   i. **Royal Order of Kamehameha** (Kainoa Daines) -- Nothing to report.
   ii. **ʻAhahui Kaʻahumanu** (Louise Alina) -- Thanked Kainoa and Desiree for the great job emceeing the event and extended her thanks to Amy for all of her hard work. Kainoa noted that this was Amy’s first actual year in fully executing the activities, as the first year much of the work was already done prior to her joining in late March of 2019; the full-scale activities had been cancelled in 2020 and 2021. Kainoa recognized and congratulated Amy for her hard work.
   iii. **Hale O Nā Aliʻi** (Ian Custino) -- Nothing to report.
      Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua (Puakeʻala Mann) -- Nothing to report.
   iv. **Daughters of Hawaiʻi** (Kehaulani Keanaʻaina) -- Nothing to report.
   v. **Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs** (Kēhau Peʻa) -- Kēhau shared AHCC President Hailama Farden’s comments congratulating the Commission for a “well run Parade and Lei Draping Ceremony.” They will have their quarterly meeting this coming Saturday. They were very happy with the Parade and Lei Draping Ceremony this year.
   vi. **Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association** (Napuʻunoa Crabbe) -- Napuʻunoa praised the emcees and the whole Lei Draping Ceremony. He received great feedback from the board, friends and family who attended.
   vii. **Kapahulu Music Club** (Kimo Alama Keaulana) -- Nothing to report.
   viii. **Waimānalo Hawaiian Homestead Association** (Vacant) -- Nothing to report.
   ix. **Papakōlea Community Association** (Vacant) -- Nothing to report.
   x. **Island of Hawaiʻi** (Desiree Moana Cruz) -- Nothing to report.
   xi. **Island of Maui** (Moanikeʻala Whittle-Wagner) -- Nothing to report.
   xii. **Island of Kauaʻi** (Lyah Kama-Drake) -- Nothing to report.
   xiii. **Island of Molokaʻi** (Vacant) -- Nothing to report.
   xiv. **Island of Lānaʻi** (Vacant) -- Nothing to report.

VII. **Upcoming Meeting** -- Tuesday, August 9, 2022, from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

VIII. **Adjourn** -- Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.