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King Kamehameha Celebration Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, February 13, 2023

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: Zoom and State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Multipurpose Room

Commission Attendees Per Roll Call: **Kainoa Daines** (Royal Order of Kamehameha), **Moanike'ala Whittle-Wagner** (Island of Maui), **Napu'unoa Crabbe** (Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association), **Desiree Moana Cruz** (Island of Hawai'i), **Louise Alina** ('Ahahui Ka'ahumanu), **Kimo Alama Keaulana** (Kapahulu Music Club), **Kēhau Pe'a** (Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs), **Kehaulani Keana'aina** (Daughters of Hawai'i), **Puake'ala Mann** (Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua)

Attendees: **Clint Kalaola** (Parade Co-Chair/Ho'olaule'a Chair), **Leinaala Bishaw** (Island of Moloka'i Volunteer/Commission Candidate), **Beverly Lee**, (Equestrian Chair), **Leilani Kahoano**, (Waimānalo Hawaiian Homestead Association/Commission Candidate)

- I. Call to Order, establish quorum** -- Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Chair Kainoa Daines. The meeting minutes were approved for August, September, October, and December, January. No public was present to provide testimony.
 - a. Executive Director's Report** (Amy Hammond) -- Completed the regularly required DAGS administrative duties. Attended legislative hearings for WAM AND FIN with DAGS and met the new Comptroller, Keith Regan. Followed up on our Commission status for the Ethics Training and confirmed that everyone has completed the training. Distributed all of the Oath of Office Certificates and will notify everyone when we need the letters of support prior to the confirmation hearing dates. Working closely with Clint Kalaola to submit and secure our permitting for the street closure and Kapi'olani Park. Amy advised that the State has implemented a 9% restriction on budgets and that because her salary is our only budget item these funds would need to come from her pay. Therefore, she will submit a letter to DAGS requesting the restriction be exempt for the KKCC budget.
- II. KKCC Business**
 - a. Executive Committee Report** (Kainoa Daines) -- Nothing to report.
 - i. 2023 Statewide Theme** -- Theme was selected, mahalo to Kimo for his suggestion. The 2023 theme is E ala e nā kini o ka 'āina! (Arise all people of the land!). Kainoa encouraged the use of the theme for all islands if possible.
 - b. Financial Update** (Ian Custino) -- Amy reported that we have a zero balance and updated are still awaiting \$50,000 from the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts for the 2023 Lei Draping.
 - c. Fundraising Committee** (Ian Custino) -- Nothing to report.

d. Committee Reports

- i. Legislative** (Manu Powers) -- Amy reported that we will keep an eye on a bill for consideration regarding Commission term limits.
- ii. Statuary** (Kimo Alama Keaulana) -- Kimo reported that he has some newspaper articles from 1883 which describe the unveiling of the statue in Honolulu and Kohala. He will scan and share with us as they are very detailed including those in attendance and attire. He also has some information on the King Kamehameha holiday in the early 1900's.
- iii. Retention** (Kēhau Pe‘a and Kehaulani Keana‘aina) -- Kēhau said mahalo to Kēhau Leilani Kahoano for joining us at the meeting and expressed that she was hopeful there will be some response from the new leadership from Waimānalo Homestead Association prior to our next meeting. In addition, she noted that Leina‘ala has filled out her paperwork and she should be in the process of confirmation. Commissioners who need to apply for second terms expiring in June include Puake‘ala, Kimo and Moani. Hopefully they will continue with the second term. Kēhau noted she will get her Oath of Office notarized and returned. Desiree noted that she spoke with Puka Asing regarding the Commission seat for the Papakōlea Community Association and will follow up. Leinaala confirmed that she has submitted everything for her application, returned the Oath of Office and completed her Ethics training.
- iv. State Archives** (Kimo Alama Keaulana) -- Nothing to report.
- v. Friends of KKCC** (Napu‘unoa Crabbe) -- Nothing to report but will have an update at the next meeting.
- vi. Retreat** (Kainoa Daines) -- Nothing to report.
- vii. Outreach and Education** (Desiree Moana Cruz) -- Nothing to report but will have an update at the next meeting.

III. Events

- a. Kaua‘i Ho‘olaule‘a** (Vacant) -- Nothing to report.
- b. O‘ahu, Parade, Ho‘olaule‘a** (Clint Kalaola, O‘ahu Parade and Ho‘olaule‘a Chair) -- Clint reported we are ahead of the game. We have already submitted the City Permit requests, park permits for Kapiolani Park for Parade, Review Stands and Ho‘olaule‘a information as well as most of the State information.. We are just awaiting meetings with Department of Transportation to finalize permits. We are also continuing to seek sponsorships. We are still working to secure horses for the pā‘ū units.
- c. Statue Lei Draping** (Louise Alina) -- Louise reported that we will be following the same program as last year. She is moving forward securing everything needed.
- d. Moloka‘i Parade/Ho‘olaule‘a** (Leinaala Lopez) -- Leinaala reported she is working with Tylor to do the King’s Gala on Friday night with the entertainers locked in and potentially two halau coming. They are working on the pā‘ū units and will be meeting next weekend. Her cousin is Micah Kamo‘oali‘i wants to come over to participate as well.
- e. Maui Parade/Ho‘olaule‘a** (Moanike‘ala Whittle-Wagner) -- Moani reported that this month they are meeting with the princesses and securing their participation in the O‘ahu Lei Draping Ceremony. She has completed her ethics commission training and completed her application for a second term.
- f. Lāna‘i** (Vacant) -- Nothing to report.
- g. Island of Hawai‘i -- Hilo Lei Draping and Kohala Lei Draping/Parade/Ho‘olaule‘a** (Desiree Moana Cruz) -- Nothing to report.
- h. Kona Lei Draping/Parade/ Ho‘olaule‘a** (Kehaulani Keana‘aina) -- Kehaulani reported as Parade Chair for Kona they had their first meeting tonight to kick-off the push forward.

For Pā‘ū they have all islands filled except Moloka‘i. They are planning to have Kimo come over for the Pā‘ū workshop.

IV. Commissioner reports/updates non-island specific representatives

- a. **Royal Order of Kamehameha** (Kainoa Daines) -- Kainoa noted that it was humbling and an honor for him and the Royal Order to stand guard at Iolani Palace and at Mauna Ala for the services of Princess Kawananakoa. ‘Ōiwi TV Filmed the services and you can find it on YouTube.
- b. **‘Ahahui Ka‘ahumanu** (Louise Alina) -- Louise noted that the ladies were also honored to be at the the memorial for the Princess. They are preparing for Queen Ka‘ahumanu’s upcoming event.
- c. **Hale O Nā Ali‘i** (Ian Custino) -- Kainoa send a big mahalo to Hale O Nā Ali‘i for their role as the coordinator for Princess Kawananakoa’s services.
- d. **Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua** (Puake‘ala Mann) -- Puak‘eala noted that their organization had also escorted the royalty from Tahiti during the event and were grateful for everyone’s participation.
- e. **Daughters of Hawai‘i** (Kehaulani Keana‘aina) -- Kehaulani noted that they too were honored to participate in the services of Princess Kawananakoa. Their annual meeting will be on Feb. 16. They are holding ‘olelo classes on Friday from 11 am – noon beginning in February on Feb. 25 from 9 am – 2 pm. Also, on March 17 they will be celebrating and honoring the birthday of King Kamehameha III in Keahou.
- f. **Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs** (Kēhau Pe‘a) -- Kēhau reported there have been emails requesting support of the DHHL chair to submit testimony. They also represented at Princess Abigail’s services. Kainoa also reported that he reached out to CNHA regarding how we can work Lei Ali‘i and support Prince Kuhio Day activities. They will be holding the Prince Kuhio Parade, which is a 2-mile parade, in Ko‘olina.
- g. **Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association** (Napu‘unua Crabbe) -- Nothing to report.
- h. **Kapahulu Music Club** (Kimo Alama Keaulana) -- Nothing to report.
- i. **Waimānalo Hawaiian Homestead Association** (Vacant) -- Leilani Kahaono noted that she has been reaching out to the board over the last few months with no response. She contacted a family member who advised that there is new leadership in place for the Waimānalo Hawaiian Homestead Association. Leilani plans to contacted her cousin Maile and connect her and Kēhau. Kainoa noted that he believed the seat has been vacant at least 5 years or more and mentioned that if Leilani needed any support please let us know. He also commented that the there is a new Boards and Commissions contact Wendy Kondo. Leilani noted that she had previously applied to be a member and will follow through on the process of application for both the Association and the Commission.
- j. **Papakōlea Community Association** (Vacant) -- Nothing to report.
- k. **Island of Hawai‘i** (Desiree Moana Cruz) -- Nothing to report.
- l. **Island of Maui** (Moanike‘ala Whittle-Wagner) -- Moani noted she will be going to Texas again with a Pā‘ū unit.
- m. **Island of Kaua‘i** (Vacant) -- Nothing to report.
- n. **Island of Moloka‘i** (Vacant) -- Nothing to report.
- o. **Island of Lāna‘i** (Vacant) -- Desiree will be reaching out Darlene Endrina regarding the Commission seat.

V. Upcoming Meeting -- Tuesday, March 14, 2023, from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

VI. Adjourn -- Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.