

STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS
General Board Committee Meeting*
250 South Hotel Street, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Physical Meeting Location: Multipurpose Resource Room, First Floor
Remote Meeting Location: Video Conference or Telephone

Thursday, December 19, 2024 at 10:30am

MINUTES

Members Present

Konrad Ng, Janet Sato, Randall Fujiki, Sean Connelly, Michael Marshall, Susana Browne, Nalani Brun, At-Large; Jill Kuramoto

SFCA Staff Present

Karen Ewald, Executive Director; Jonathan Johnson, Arts Administrator; Rhiannon Keene, Seema Sueko-Low, Administrative Services Assistant; Mamiko Carroll, Information Specialist.

Other Present

Alyssa-Marie Kau, Attorney General's office Frank Haas, Management Consultant from GUILD Consulting, Peter Adler, Management Consultant, Denyne Troy, Representative Jeanne Kapela, Kilihune Ka'aihue, senior teaching artist from Maui Arts Cultural Center, Kaliko Kaauamo, senior teaching artist from Maui Arts and Cultural Center.

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Konrad Ng called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m.

2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Chairperson Konrad Ng called the determination of quorum. All Commissioners were present.

3. Approval of the Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Nalani Brun and seconded by Susan Browne. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on September 11, 2024

A motion to approve the Minutes of the last General Board committee meeting held on September 11, 2024, was made by Nalani Brun and seconded by Janet Sato. The motion to approve the minutes was approved unanimously.

5. Public Testimony on Agendized Items

Chairperson Konrad Ng called for any public testimony. There were none.

6. Executive Session:

The Committee anticipates convening an executive session pursuant to Section 92-5(a)(2), HRS, to consider the hire, evaluation, dismissal, or discipline of an officer or employee or charges brought against the officer or employee, where consideration of matters affecting privacy will be involved; provided that if the individual concerned requests an open meeting, an open meeting shall be held, and/or under section 92-5(a)(4), HRS, to consult with the Committee's attorneys on questions and issues pertaining to the Committee's attorneys on questions and issues pertaining to the Committee's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities on the following matters: Chairperson Konrad Ng called for a motion to go into Executive Session. A motion was made by Nalani Brun and seconded by Janet Sato. The motion to go into Executive Session was approved unanimously; moved into executive session at 10:45 am.

6.a. Evaluation of the SFCA Executive Director

During executive session, Susana Browne and Konrad Ng presented the Recommendations from the Administrative Committee as the result of feedback from staff and commissioners, which were approved by the Administrative Committee on December 12 in an executive session. Discussion was carried out by the board on all items. Upon agreement Janet Sato moved to approve the recommendations, seconded by Sean Connelly. The motion was approved unanimously. Susan Browne called for a motion to adjourn and leave executive session. Motion was made by Nalani Brun and seconded by Jill Kuramoto. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

7. Items for Discussion, Consideration, and Action

7.a. Executive Director's Report on SFCA's National Role, Capitol Modern in 2025 and SFCA's Efforts in Maui Disaster Relief

Executive Director Karen Ewald presented to the full board her participation on the National level as a trustee of the Creative West regional arts organization and a board member on the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies. Ewald also discussed the events at Capitol Modern, the opening of the restaurant by Nui Kealoha as well as the gift shop MORI by Art and Flea.

7.b. 2025-2029 Strategic Plan Update

Executive Director Karen Ewald, along with Frank Haas and Peter Adler from GUILD Consulting, presented the year-long process and data collected from the community on the strategic plan for 2025-2030. Results and next steps were discussed. The board decided that more time was needed to finalize the plan.

7.c. Discussion of the 2025 SFCA Legislative Priorities

Executive Director Karen Ewald presented to the full board the new House Chair for the Committee on Culture and Arts, Representative Jeanne Kapela. A motion to authorize the Board of Commissioners to not amend 103-8.5 and to authorize the SFCA Chairperson and Executive Director to testify on behalf of the SFCA was made by Nalani Brun and seconded by Susana Browne. The motion was passed unanimously.

7.d. Maui Arts and Cultural Center Presentation by Moira Pirsch and Jonathan Clark on Project Funded by SFCA

Executive Director Karen Ewald introduced Kilihuen Ka'aihue, senior Teaching Artist from Maui Arts Cultural Center (MACC) and Kaliko Ka'auamo, M.Ed., senior Teaching Artist from Maui Arts Cultural Center (MACC). Kilihuen Ka'aihue shared to the full board how arts education serves the community. A slide show was presented to the full board. tinyurl.com/MACCHSFCA

8. Adjournment

Chairperson Konrad Ng called for a motion to close the meeting. The meeting adjourned the meeting at 1:05 P.M.