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King Kamehameha Celebration Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, August 12, 2025

Time: 6:00 p.m.

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

Commission Attendees Per Roll Call: **Beverly Lee** (Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs), **Moanike'ala Whittle-Wagner** (Island of Maui), **Kalei Hoffman** (Island of Kaua'i), **Leilani Kahoano**, (Waimānalo Hawaiian Homestead Association), **Leinā'ala Lopez** (Island of Moloka'i)

Attendees: Clint Kalaola (Kala Foundation)

Commissioners not present: Ikaika Bantolina (Royal Order of Kamehameha), Louise Alina ('Ahahui Ka'ahumanu), Ian Custino (Hale O Nā Ali'i), Jame Schaedel (Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association), Kimo Alama Keaulana (Kapahulu Music Club), Puake'ala Mann (Daughters and Sons of Hawaiian Warriors - Māmakakaua), Pamela Alconcel (Island of Lāna'i), Kehaulani Keana'aina (Daughters of Hawai'i), Vacant (Papakōlea Community Association), Keke Kaniho (pending) (Island of Hawai'i)

Call to Order, Roll Call and Reminders, Establish Quorum -- Chair Beverly Lee called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. and established quorum. The July Meeting Minutes were not approved due to lack of quorum.

- *I. Public Testimony* -- Nothing to report.
- II. Executive Director's Report (Amy Hammond) -- Amy reported that she has been completing her regular duties and tasks including quarterly update of revenue estimates, review esigning process, annual submittal of contract logs, update Microsoft License, attended Legislative Hawai'i Tourism Authority Informational Briefing. Participated in the Tsunami related response informational activities within DAGS. Confirmed that SFCA will provide \$30,000 for the 2026 Art in Public Places for the King Kamehameha Statues. Met with Beverly Lee to discuss the transition plans for the Commission. Completed the revisions for the KKCC website updates with event information for 2026 including Lei Draping Reservation Form, Protocols and also updated O'ahu Parade Applications. Provided Kalei Hoffman with information on upcoming Community Grant for Kaua'i.
- *III.* Financial Report (Amy Hammond) -- Nothing new to report.
- IV. KKCC Business/Committee Reports
 - a. *Executive Committee Report* (Beverly Lee) -- Beverly noted that she has been meeting with Amy to review transition plans and set some deadlines for 2026 plans. In addition, she would like to see the O'ahu Commissioners get more involved in the O'ahu activities.

- b. Legislative (Manu Powers) -- Nothing to report.
- c. *Statuary* (Kimo Alama Keaulana) -- Nothing to report.
- d. Retention (Kēhaulani Keana'aina) -- Nothing to report.
- e. State Archives (Kimo Alama Keaulana) -- Nothing to report.
- f. *Friends of KKCC* (Moani Whittle-Wagner) -- Moani reported that she and Kainoa had not met yet but she does have a contact she is working with to assist with setting up the non-profit. In addition, she is seeking an attorney to assist in filing the paperwork.
- g. Outreach and Education -- Nothing to report.
- h. Kaua'i Parade and Ho'olaule'a (Kalei Hoffman) -- Nothing to report.
- i. *Oʻahu*, *Parade*, *Hoʻolauleʻa*, *Pāʻū* (Clint Kalaola, Oʻahu Parade Chair and Hoʻolauleʻa Chair) -- Nothing to report.
- a. Statue Lei Draping (Louise Alina) -- Nothing to report.
- b. Moloka'i Gala/Ho'olaule'a (Leinā'ala Lopez) -- Nothing to report.
- c. Maui Parade/Ho'olaule'a (Moanike'ala Whittle-Wagner) -- Nothing to report.
- d. Lāna'i (Pam Alconel) -- Nothing to report.
- e. Island of Hawai'i -- Hilo Lei Draping and Kohala Lei Draping/Parade/ Ho'olaule'a (Keke Kaniho) -- Nothing to report.
- f. Kona Parade and Ho'olaule'a (Kēhaulani Keana'aina) -- Nothing to report.
- V. Commissioner reports/updates non-island specific representatives
 - a. Royal Order of Kamehameha (Ikaika Bantolina) -- Nothing to report.
 - b. 'Ahahui Ka'ahumanu (Louise Alina) -- Nothing to report.
 - c. Hale O Nā Ali'i O Hawai'i (Ian Custino) -- Nothing to report.
 - d. *Daughters & Sons of Hawaiian Warriors, Māmakakaua* (Puake'ala Mann) -- Nothing to report.
 - e. Daughters of Hawai'i (Kēhaulani Keana'aina) -- Nothing to report.
 - f. *Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs* (Beverly Lee) -- Beverly noted they did hold an O'ahu Council meeting getting ready for their Convention which is at the end of October.
 - g. Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association (Jame Schaedel) -- Nothing to report.
 - h. Kapahulu Music Club (Kimo Alama Keaulana) -- Nothing to report.
 - i. Waimānalo Hawaiian Homes Association (Leilani Kahaono) -- Nothing to report.
 - j. Papakōlea Community Association (Vacant) -- Nothing to report.
 - k. *Island of Hawai'i* (Keke Kaniho, pending) -- Nothing to report.
 - 1. *Island of Maui* (Moanike 'ala Whittle-Wagner) -- Nothing to report.
 - m. Island of Kaua'i (Kalei Hoffman) -- Nothing to report.
 - n. Island of Moloka'i (Leina'ala Bishaw) -- Nothing to report.
 - o. Island of Lāna'i (Pam Alconel) -- Nothing to report.
- VI. Public Testimony -- Nothing to report.
- VII. Miscellaneous -- Kalei inquired if Beverly could share an application for Oʻahu pāʻū as someone had contacted her regarding participation as Banner Page. Beverly is in receipt of his request and will be in contact with him as applications will be due August 31 after which time selections will be made.
- *VIII. Upcoming Meeting* -- The next meeting is currently scheduled for 6 p.m. Tuesday, September 9, 2025. It was noted that we will not hold meetings in November and December of 2025.
 - *IX. Adjourn* -- The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.