

Kailua Hawaiian Civic Club
General Membership Meeting Minutes – DRAFT FOR APPROVAL
February 25, 2024

A regular meeting of the General Membership of the Kailua Hawaiian Civic Club was held virtually on February 25, 2024 via Zoom.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:04pm by the Pelekikena after having achieved quorum.

Members in attendance:

Kapalai'ula de Silva, *Pelekikena*; 'Ilima Ka'anehe, *Pu'ukū*; Kīhei de Silva, *Alaka'i*; Puakenamu Leong, *Alaka'i*; Ka'olu Luning, *Alaka'i*; Pili MacKenzie, *Alaka'i*; Pualani Steele, *Alaka'i*; Māpuana de Silva, *Pelekikena Iho Nei*; Clara Burrows, Lynne Miura, Ken Ordenstein*

* arrived at 4:11p and voted on new member ratification only

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the 12/10/23 meeting were previously distributed to the general membership for review. **Motion** by Pili to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Kīhei and carried unanimously.

III. Reports of Officers and Alaka'i

- a. 'Ilima — Treasurer's Report
 - The Pu'ukū reported on activity that has taken place in the month of December. The total balance as of 12/31/23 is \$12,341.52.
 - General fund: \$6,956.02
 - Scholarship fund: \$5,385.50
 - The Club's General Excise Tax forms have been filed, and 1099s have been distributed to scholarship recipients.
 - The Pelekikena thanked the Pu'ukū and filed the report onto the record.
- b. Pili — Hui Maunawili-Kawainui
 - Pili reported that an assessment is being done on the cost for the state to purchase the lands. The State and HRT are coming to an agreement, but information has yet to be released. Things are moving forward slowly; it is expected to take a couple of years to finalize. Both Kauluakalana and Ho'okua'āina have already been given rights of entry to the parcels.
- c. Maya — Kauluakalana & Ulupō
 - Work on 'āina has begun at Makali'i, including some clearing around the spring, tree removal, and trash removal. Kaulu plans to take their spring intercession program to Makali'i for one day to do some work.
 - At Ulupō, Kaulu averages 3 groups a week that are hosted on 'āina, as well as about 100 people at every second Saturday workday. Lots of hands make for lots of work getting done.

- d. Puakenamu — KOOK O‘ahu Council
 - At the first quarter meeting of 2024, the council did not have quorum and therefore did not vote on new business, although lots of information was shared.
 - This year’s Kūhiō Parade will be held in Kapolei on March 16, followed by a 10-day celebration at Ka Makana Ali‘i. Organizers are trying to expand participation by targeting schools and orgs touched by Kūhiō.
 - The 2024 AHCC Convention will be held from Nov. 10-17 at the ‘Alohilani Resort in Waikīkī, O‘ahu (hosted by Maui Council). The following conventions are slated for Hawai‘i (2025), O‘ahu (2026), and Oregon (2027).
 - The KOOK Board is considering an increase in per capita dues from \$3 to \$5 per member, as membership numbers have decreased recently.

- e. Kīhei — Iwi Kupuna
 - Kīhei has been following up with the O‘ahu Historic Preservation Commission. As per the last communications with them in November, they plan to take up our cause in designating all jaucus sand areas of Kailua as requiring an AIS or cultural monitoring.
 - The Kalapawai roundabout project is ongoing. The iwi kupuna that have been found thusfar are safely housed in a temporary curation unit. Reinterment cannot happen until the entire project is completed.
 - The next iwi kupuna workday in March is postponed due to scheduling conflicts. Updates on a possible new date in late April will be shared via email.

IV. New Business

- a. Membership Committee — new member ratification
 - Ka‘olu reported that the Club has received 3 applications: 2 regular (‘Ekolu Nakamaejo, Ashley Makahilahila), 1 associate (Tracy Takano). **Motion** by Māpu to ratify all three new members. The motion was seconded by Kīhei and carried unanimously.

- b. Fundraising Committee — updates
 - The Pelekikena reported that the Committee, with the Board’s support, has decided not to put on a Poi & Pāpale fundraiser this year. Instead, we will be hosting a booth at Ho‘olauna Pū Kākou, a Hika‘alani fundraiser featuring Hālau Mōhala ‘Ilima and KHCC. It will take place at King Intermediate on Sunday, July 28, in the afternoon. More information to come.
 - The Club will raise funds by running the silent auction at the event. A draft list of auction items has been started. Pualani noted that she welcomes any additions or ideas for the silent auction — she can be contacted at pualanisteele@gmail.com.

V. Announcements

- a. Hika‘alani Lecture Series
 - Kīhei will be giving a talk on hula pūniu and his composition, “Aloha Wai‘auia,” at Le Jardin Academy tomorrow, Monday 26 February 2024, at 7pm. Admission is free, and donations are welcomed at the door.

- b. FestPAC Support
 - Ken asked for help with housing & transportation for friends from New Caledonia who will be coming to Hawai'i this summer, June 4-18. There are 5 adults in their party — he can be contacted at kenordentstein@aol.com.

- c. Next Meeting Dates
 - Reminder — March 24 iwi kupuna workday is POSTPONED **new date TBA
 - Next Regular GM Meeting — April 21, 4p on Zoom

VI. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 4:32pm.

Submitted by,

Kapalai'ula de Silva
Pelekikena
Kailua Hawaiian Civic Club

Date