

Kailua Hawaiian Civic Club
General Membership Meeting Minutes — DRAFT FOR APPROVAL
November 17, 2024

A regular meeting of the General Membership of the Kailua Hawaiian Civic Club was held virtually on November 17, 2024 via Zoom.

I. Call to Order & Pule

The meeting was called to order at 4:03pm by the Pelekikena. Pule was offered by Kapalai'ula.

Members in attendance:

Kapalai'ula de Silva, *Pelekikena*; Kalani Ka'anā'anā, *Hope Pelekikena*; 'Ilima Ka'anehe, *Pu'ukū*; Kīhei de Silva, *Alaka'i*; Ka'olu Luning, *Alaka'i*; Pili MacKenzie, *Alaka'i*; Maya Saffery, *Alaka'i*; Pualani Steele, *Alaka'i*; Māpuana de Silva, *Pelekikena Iho Nei*; *Josiah Akau, Clara Burrows, Nola Faria, Lani Lapilio, Amanda Luning, Lynne Miura, Kū'ehu Seto-Myers, Tadia Rice, Annabella Taylor.

*non-voting member, arrived after the vote to approve Sep. minutes

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the 09/15/24 meeting were previously distributed to the GM for review. **Motion** by Pili to accept the minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Kalani and carried.

III. Reports of Officers and Alaka'i

- a. 'Ilima — Treasurer's Report
 - The Pu'ukū reported on activity that has taken place in the months of September and October. The total balance as of 10/31/24 is \$9,044.22.
 - General fund: \$6,108.72
 - Scholarship fund: \$2,935.50
 - Revenue from our silent auction fundraiser in July is expected soon.
 - The Pelekikena thanked the Pu'ukū and filed the report onto the record.
- b. Pili — Hui Maunawili-Kawainui
 - A quarterly meeting was held in November with DLNR, the current owners of the land. The land purchases are proceeding forward and issues with tax map keys are getting straightened out. The Maunawili Trail is still closed, and the planning process will continue with community meetings soon. HRT-Weinberg has secured the permits necessary to begin post-fire clean up around the Boyd house.
- c. Maya — Kauluakalana
 - At Makali'i, although the legal process for ownership is ongoing, the right of entry has allowed work to begin. Kaulu received a grant to hire 2 new team members to work primarily at that site. At Ulupō, things are busy as usual, with over 200 people attending the last workday. This year's Kū'oko'a Kūkanono celebration will be held on Sat, Nov. 30 from 10a-3p at Ka'elepulu Elementary.
- d. Kīhei — AHCC Convention
 - Various delegates shared their overall impressions from this year's Convention, noting a more progressive, fearless stance and stronger 'ōpio presence. Kīhei highlighted a few of the more impactful resolutions, including one in opposition to

- deep-sea mining, a “two flagpole” resolution, a mandate on invasive pest controls, opposition to a telescope on Haleakalā, and a series of military land-lease resos.
- Māpu thanked the delegates who attended on behalf of our Club, and Kīhei thanked Kalani for speaking to the FestPAC resolution put forward by the Club, leading to its approval both in committee and on the plenary floor.
- Kīhei will post a link to all resolutions that were approved at Convention as soon as it is prepared and disseminated.

IV. New Business

- a. Membership — Ka’olu
 - The BOD has approved 2 new members who are up for ratification by the GM: 1 regular (Buddy Seto-Myers), 1 associate (John Myers). **Motion** by Kīhei to ratify them both as Club members. The motion was seconded by Kū’ehu and carried.
- b. Nominations — Kalani
 - The Chair of the Nominations Committee presented its slate of nominees for all board vacancies for the 2025-26 term, and opened the floor to any additional nominations, as per our Club bylaws. The vacancies and nominees are as follows:
 - i. 2nd Vice President: Kīhei de Silva
 - ii. Treasurer: ‘Ilima Ka’anehe
 - iii. Alaka’i (3 seats): Ka’olu Luning, Nola Faria, Kū’ehu Seto-Myers
 - Elections will take place at our last GM meeting of 2024, on December 8.

V. Announcements

- a. From the Floor
 - Nola thanked the Club for supporting her grandson, Kahā Barbieto, especially via KHCC scholarships. He will be graduating this December from UH Mānoa.
 - Kīhei thanked Josiah Akau for bringing a crew to the 10/6 iwi workday at Target.
 - Kīhei acknowledged Kaliko Kalāhiki’s dedication in helping to organize clean-ups at Wai’auia and sending pictures and updates, sharing that he also attended the last day of Convention this year and expressed an interest in joining the Club.
 - Auntie Clara gave an update, feeling uplifted by the increase of young energy in the Club and across our larger community.
- b. Next Regular Meeting — Saturday, December 8 @ 4pm at Ka’ōhao Park with an end-of-year pā’ina to follow (food donations welcomed!)

VI. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 4:58pm.

Submitted by,

Kapalai’ula de Silva
 Pelekikena
 Kailua Hawaiian Civic Club

Date