

MINUTES
Hawaii State Commission on Fatherhood
Regular Monthly Meeting
May 17, 2016

Commissioners Present:

Carl Makino, Interim Chairman
Shannon Carrier
Dan Kittredge
Alan Sunio
Bruce Berger

Others Present:

Tara Buckley (Parents Inc.)
Bruce Shimoda (OYS)
Chet Adessa, Admin Assistant
Jeff Irons, Child and Family Service

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 1:08 pm., by Interim Chairman Makino. The Commissioners present constituted a quorum.

II. Public Testimony: There were no written public testimonies.

III. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Carrier moved to approve the minutes of March 15, 2016. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Berger and unanimously carried.

IV. Decision-Making Items:

1. Commissioner Participation in Children and Youth Day October 2, 2016.

Mr. Adessa explained that the Children and Youth Day is scheduled for Sunday, October 2, 2016 from 10 am to 3 pm at the State Capitol. Commissioner Berger agreed to be on the committee for this event. The fees from last year's event, which was cancelled, will be applied to the 2016 event. Commissioner Carrier moved that the Commission participate in this event. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kittredge and unanimously carried.

2. **Cancellation or continuation of the fatherhood media contest.**

There has been little interest in the media contests. Following a brief discussion Commissioner Carrier moved to cancel the contests and use the prizes for the Father Child Look-a-Like Contest. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Berger and unanimously carried.

3. **Authorization for Funds to purchase display materials for the Father Child Look-a-Like Contest and other public awareness events.**

Mr. Adessa requested that funds be approved to purchase display materials for the Look-Alike Contest and other events involving the Commission. Commissioner Carrier moved to approve funds to purchase display materials for Commission events. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kittredge and unanimously carried.

4. **Set up registration tables for pre-registration Father Child Look-a-Like Contest at various malls.**

Mr. Adessa requested that in order to increase participation in the Look-Alike Contest he would like authorization to set up pre-registration tables at various shopping malls. Following a discussion Commissioner Carrier moved to authorize setting up pre-registration tables for the Look-Alike Contest at various malls provided no costs are incurred. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Berger and unanimously carried.

5. **Authorization for funds for frames for Mahalo Certificates for supporters of out events.** Since frames were not needed this item was withdrawn by the Chair.

VI. **Discussion Items:**

1. **Revising the Commission's brochure.**

Ms. Buckley explained that she had received input on the new brochure and would make revisions for final approval by the Commission.

2. **Celebrate Father event, June 18, 2016.**

Mr. Adessa, Commissioner Sunio and Ms. Buckley reported on the finalization of plans for this event. There were some last minute requests for judges, resource tables and entertainment.

VI. **Reports:**

1. **Budget:** The balance of funds available as of May 2, 2016 is \$5,746.19.

2. **Commissioner Activities** Commissioner Berger reported that he attended a Military Behavioral Health meeting at Kahi Mohala regarding fathers and children interaction following deployment. Issues focused on fathers with PTSD and other behavioral issues.

3. 2017 International Fatherhood Conference: Commissioner Sunio and Mr. Adessa reported on their exploration into hosting the International Fatherhood conference in 2017. To obtain more clarification on feasibility they will be meeting with Dr. Johnson the NPCL in June.
4. Interim Chairman Makino and Mr. Adessa met with DHS Director to update her on Commission matters.
5. Commissioner Carrier reported that MFSS is in partnership with Ho`oikaika and meets with them regularly.

VII. Commission/Public Generated Issues:

No issues were brought to the Commission's attention.

VIII. Announcements/Adjournment: There being no further business before the Commission the meeting was adjourned by Interim Chairman Makino at 3:00 pm. It was announced that the next regular monthly meeting of the Commission would be held on June 21, 2016 at 1 PM, 1390 Miller Street, Honolulu, HI 96813

Prepared and Submitted by:

Date: July 12, 2016

Chet Adessa, Administrative Assistant

Approved by Commission: _____