

MINUTES
Hawaii State Commission on Fatherhood
Regular Monthly Meeting
July 12, 2016

Commissioners Present:

Carl Makino, Interim Chairman
Shannon Carrier
Dan Kittredge
Alan Sunio
Bruce Berger
Alex Harris
Kawika Riley

Others Present:

Tara Buckley (Parents Inc.)
Bruce Shimoda (OYS)
Chet Adessa, Admin Assistant
Matthew Taufetee
Malia Taum-Deenik
Joy Bounds
Jonathan Zane
Bruce Shimoda

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 1:07 pm., by Interim Chairman Makino. The Commissioners present constituted a quorum. Alex Harris and Kawika Riley, two new commissioners introduced themselves and spoke about why they decided to become commissioners.

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

III. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Kittredge moved to approve the minutes of May17, 2016 meeting be approved, Commissioner Sunio seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously carried.

IV. Decision-Making Items:

1. **Hosting the 19th Annual National Partnership for Community Leadership International Fatherhood Conference (herin: conference).** Deferred by Interim Chairman Makino

2. **To engage and partner with agencies from the Hawaii Children's Trust Fund Coalition .** Deferred by Interim Chairman Makino
3. **Approve letter o request for sponsorship of the conference.** Deferred by Interim Chairman Makino
4. **Composition of an advisory planning committee for conference.** Deferred by Interim Chairman Makino
5. **Adoption of the commission logo.**
Mr. Jonathan Zane, designer of the logo was introduced. Interim Chairman Makino acknowledged Mr. Zane for developing the logo. Commissioner Riley explained the cultural significance of the logo. Commissioner Kittredge commented positively on the logo. After some discussion Commissioner Kittredge moved that the logo design be approved and Commissioner Carrier seconded the motion. After some discussion concerning the possibility of adding colors, such as darker green and gold highlights with a limit of two to three colors, the motion was unanimously carried. Interim Chairman Makino requested that a thank you letter be sent to Mr. Zane.

VI. **Discussion Items:**

1. **Revising the Commission's brochure.**
Ms. Buckley said that she would revise the brochure and submit it to the commission for approval after the final version of the logo was ready for including in the brochure.
2. **Celebrate Father event, June 18, 2016.**
Ms. Buckley reported on the great success of this event, the increased number of contestants for the Father Child Look-a-Like Contest due to increased marketing. The commissioners thanked Ms. Buckley on all of her efforts. There were 16 partner agencies and vendors at the resource tables.

VI. **Reports:**

1. **Budget:** The remaining balance as June 27,2016 was \$2,313.91. Mr. Adessa reported that several expenditures were subtracted from the FY17 budget.
2. **Commissioner Activities.** Mr. Adessa spoke about attending the Kealahou Project meeting and a representative the Salvation Army in Hilo spoke about the important relationship between fathers and daughters.

VII. **Commission/Public Generated Issues:**

Interim Chairman Makino spoke about the commission and its mission concerning legislative policy making, statutes, bills concerning family and fatherhood issues. Commissioner Riley spoke about how to assess state policies and practices concerning fathers and the ability to

analyze bills, community input, proposed legislation, the DHS legislative package. Mr. Taufetee talked about the fact that 70% of incarcerated men are fathers and that incarcerated women have more support programs and services available to them. Commissioner Carrier talked about the National Fatherhood Initiative “Inside Out Dad” program and how beneficial it would be to assist incarcerated fathers who are transitioning out of prison.

VIII. **Announcements/Adjournment:** There being no further business before the commission the meeting was adjourned by Vice Chairman Makino at 2:23 pm. It was announced that the next regular monthly meeting of the Commission would be held on August 30, 2016, 1 PM, 1390 Miller Street, Honolulu, HI 96813

Prepared and Submitted by:

Date: August 20, 2016

Chet Adessa, Administrative Assistant

Approved by Commission: _____