

**Hawaiian Paradise Park Owners Association**  
**CULTURAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**March 8, 2025**

Members present: Lanell Lua (Chair), Liz Amaral, `Ihilani Buffett, Kathy Hollingsworth, Sandee Maeda, Danee McFarr (Secretary), Brian Ogawa, Julie Rice (quorum met)

Members absent: Jan Emerson-Sheldon, Christine Harker, Nainoa Rosehill, Patricia Ruppert, Michael Schiszler

Guests: Kale Gumapac, Sarah Kay, Olen Rosehill, Spencer Willis, Al Yax

Call to order: Lanell Lua, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

Meeting agenda approval: Danee McFarr asked to add "Committee Resolution" to New Business. Maeda made a motion to approve the agenda as amended; Hollingsworth seconded; approved unanimously.

Previous meeting minutes approval: Maeda made a motion to approve the February 8, 2024 meeting minutes; Harker seconded; approved unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</b>		
Update on 16 <sup>th</sup> and Maku`u burial cave. a. General update  b. Collaboration with Keoni Alvarez to involve community	a. Lanell Lua reported that Keoni Alvarez paused work on the site. The work period for the crew of four cultural steward trainees, who have been working at the site since January 13 <sup>th</sup> , has ended. Work will resume when the next crew is in place. They have cleared invasives to prepare for building the stack drywall around the area.  b. From September 2024 meeting discussion with Keoni Alvarez: Collaborate with Keoni Alvarez to inform and involve the community in protection and commemoration activities via communication efforts (including sign-up sheet for email notification and posting on the CPC website).  The above items will be removed from "unfinished business" and will be reported on as needed.	For information. Updates will be reported on as needed.
Archaeological study final report: Recommendations from CPC to HPPOA board  a. Actions taken by board at February board meeting	At the February 19 board meeting, Lanell Lua presented the remaining initial recommendations for the 31-acre Ko`olauo site to the board for a vote and they were approved.  [Recommendations were presented at the November meeting and again in December with additional information. At the December meeting, the Board approved the recommendation to provide the State Historical Preservation Division (SHPD) with a copy of the archaeological study	a. HPPOA Board approved initial recommendations.

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<p>Archaeological study final report: Recommendations from CPC to HPPOA board (<i>cont'd</i>)</p> <p>a. Actions taken by board at February board meeting (<i>cont'd</i>)</p> <p>b. Next steps for CPC to present recommendations to board</p>	<p>final report. A special board meeting with Matt Clark, lead investigator of the study, was held February 5th to answer questions.]</p> <p>The remaining initial recommendations were presented and approved at the February 19 board meeting: It is recommended that the HPPOA Board acknowledge the important cultural value of the features documented within the current study area, and commit to the protection and conservation of the entire 31-acre study area until long-term plans for the parcels have been developed. It is further recommended that the HPPOA Board, as stated in the report (1a.) request assistance with obtaining an SIHP (State Inventory of Historic Places) site designation for the site area.</p> <p>The Board asked Lanell and the committee to create a Request for Proposal (RFP) for stewardship of the land by a Native Hawaiian Organization (NHO), have NHOs make presentations to the committee, and provide a list to the Board.</p> <p>The CPC will not make further recommendations to the Board until an NHO has been selected for stewardship.</p>	<p>b. Lanell will follow up with the Board's request to create an RFP for an NHO, have NHOs make presentations to the committee, and provide a list of NHOs to the Board.</p> <p>No further recommendations will be made to the board until an NHO has been selected for stewardship.</p>
Update on Instagram page and website (Spencer Willis)	<p>Spencer Willis moved the archaeological study (ARS) link to the top of the website home page (koolauo.com). The Instagram page (koolauo) has a link to the website. Members were again encouraged to follow on Instagram.</p> <p>Documents relating to the 16th and Maku`u mailbox site, which members asked to have posted on the website, are not publicly available, so they will not be posted. Keoni Alvarez will not allow documents that he shared in a presentation to the CPC to be posted.</p>	<p>Spencer Willis moved ARS link to top of home page.</p> <p>Members were encouraged to follow the Instagram page.</p> <p>Documents proposed for posting at the last meeting are not public and cannot be posted.</p>
Consideration of nonprofit organization for stewardship of Ko`olauo: invite NHO representatives to meetings to discuss	Lanell Lua met with members of the Puna NHO Wai Welawela yesterday. She said that the NHO has ties to Ko`olauo and their heart is in preservation and conservation of that area. She introduced Olen Rosehill, husband of Leslie Rosehill, who heads Wai Welawela. He shared the history of the area, both historical and personal. He said that Ko`olauo is very special to his family and that "to caretake it the right way would be awesome."	<p>Olen Rosehill shared information about Ko`olauo and Wai Welawela.</p> <p>Lanell will continue the search for NHOs interested in stewardship, invite them to</p>

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Consideration of nonprofit organization for stewardship of Koʻolauo: invite NHO representatives to meetings to discuss ( <i>cont'd</i> )	Lanell Lua said that she will continue her search to identify and invite NHOs, who are interested in being considered as stewards, to meet with the CPC. Committee members are encouraged to contact her with recommendations. She will create an RFP for the board, provide a list of NHOs for them to contact, and arrange for a special meeting for them to present to the Board.	present to the committee, create an RFP, provide a list of NHOs to the Board, and arrange for a special meeting for presenters.  Lanell will provide an update at the next meeting.
Information sharing with swap meet attendees: table hosted by CPC members	At last month's meeting, some members said that they were interested in volunteering to prepare informational materials and host a table at the monthly swap meet. The purpose of the CPC table is to share information about the committee and its work, which includes educating the public about the culture and history of the area.  At today's meeting, Lanell Lua asked for volunteers for an education working group for this project. Liz Amaral, Sandee Maeda, `Ihilani Buffett, and Lanell Lua volunteered. The group will prepare informational handouts and organize volunteers to set up and host the table each month. `Ihilani Buffett will head the group and Sandee Maeda will assist with organizing the meetings. The group will report at the next meeting.	An education working group was formed and will report at the next meeting.
Revision of CPC mission statement, objectives, and goals: Draft (handout)	A draft of the revised CPC mission statement, objectives, and goals prepared by the mission statement working group was included in members' packets and presented by Sandee Maeda. (The group members also include Liz Amaral and Danee McFarr, who invited Sarah Kay, as a founding member of the CPC, to join.)  The group will meet again to review and incorporate suggestions made by committee members. A second draft will be emailed to members for comment. If there are additional changes, Sandee Maeda will present a third draft at the next meeting.	The mission statement working group will meet to revise the document. A second draft will be emailed to members.  Sandee Maeda will present a subsequent draft at the next meeting.
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>		
Committee Resolution	Lanell Lua said that HPPOA Board member Teresa Bayne sent her an email stating that the Cultural Preservation Committee had not been created correctly because a resolution is required. After discussion of HPPOA bylaws requirements, Sandee Maeda volunteered to draft one.	The mission statement working group will draft a committee resolution and

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Committee Resolution ( <i>cont'd</i> )	As the information required is similar to that included in the mission statement, goals, and objectives, the mission statement working group will take on this task. A draft committee resolution will be presented at the next meeting.	present it at the next meeting for discussion.
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		
Next Meeting	The next meeting will be held Saturday, April 12 at 10 a.m. in the HPPOA library. Regular meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month.	For information.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:38 p.m. (Maeda moved; Rice seconded; accepted unanimously.)

Meeting minutes submitted by Secretary to Chair on March 19, 2024.

Approved:

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Lanell Lua, Chair

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Date