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MINUTES

February 9, 2023, 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Location: Amy BH Greenwell Ethnobotanical Garden 82-6160 Hawai'i Belt Rd, Captain Cook, HI 96704



Attendees: Council members - Kialoa Mossman, Terri Koike, Noa Lincoln, Jennifer Maydan, Kris Kokame, Matthew Bauer, Matthew Loudermilk, Marie Williams, Kevin Sullivan, Axel Defgnin, Jesse Mikasobe- Keali'inohomoku

Staff - Heather McMillen, Kate Wiechmann, David Wood, Koki Atcheson

Apologies: David Smith, Desiree Page, Katie Friday, Alex Connelly, Danielle Frolich

Guests: Miranda Hutten

9:30 am Opening and welcome from Kialoa Mossman, Deputy Chair.

Kialoa welcomed Council members and staff to Amy BH Greenwell Ethnobotanical Garden in Captain Cook and introduced the Garden's Executive Director Kimberly Kahoʻonei.

9:35 pm Welcome and introduction from our host Kim, followed by individual updates.

10:30 am Review and approve minutes from November 10, 2022 meeting.

Motion to approve minutes: Marie Williams

Second: Matt Loudermilk Decision: All in Favor

Approved

10:35 am Advisory Council Seats - Chairperson vacancy:

Jennifer Mayden nominates self

Motion to elect Jen Mayden to Kaulunani Advisory Council Chair for a two year

term: Marie Williams Second: Kevin Sullivan

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Jesse Mikasobe -Keali'inohomoku Malama Learning Center; NiuNOW!

Kevin Sullivan
Department of Planning,
Hawai'i County

Decision: All in Favor

Approved

10:40 am Arbor Day 2023 Grant Funding discussion and vote.

Kaulunani received five applications totalling \$24,285 in funding requests (funding pool \$35,000). The Grants & Awards Committee recommended the following four projects be funded at their full request. The Committee also proposed program staff investigate the viability of DOFAW (Maui Nui branch) conducting an Arbor Day event on Moloka'i. The balance of funding to be carried over to the next Community Grants round.

Organization	ProjectTitle	Island
Maui Nui Botanical Gardens	Arbor Day Garden Expo and Hawaiian Tree	Maui
Inc.	Giveaway	
Garden Island Resource	Kauai Arbor Day Free Trees and Tree	Kauai
Conservation &	Information	
Development, Inc.		
Hawai'i Ulu Producers	Let's Build a Rev'ULUtion in West Hawai'i!	Hawai'i
Cooperative		
University of Hawai'i at	Arbor Day 2023 and Arboretum Appreciation	Oʻahu
Mānoa	Day	

Motion to support the recommendations of the Grants & Awards Committee:

Noa Lincoln

Second: Terri Koike Decision: All in Favor

Approved

11:00 am Miranda Hutton shared latest information regarding opportunities and federal priorities for the Inflation Reduction Act funding. There is a strong focus on supporting underserved and overburdened communities and applicants are strongly advised to consider using the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST) in applications. The first application deadline is February 28 (for State-level proposals). The general application window will open April 1, 2023.

11:00 am Heather McMillen shared updates from the State perspective, including the draft proposal. Heather also outlined the indicators and justification for determining underserved communities across the State, and requested a review from all Council members.

12:05 pm Lunch and Committee meetings

1:05 pm Committees reported back to the group

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1:20 pm Guided tour of the Garden2:00 pm Closing and departure