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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Kaua'i Niihau Island Burial Council

FROM: Kauanoë Hoomanawanui, Burial Sites Specialist

RE: **Notification of the next Kaua'i Niihau Islands Burial Council Meeting**

The Kaua'i Ni'ihau Islands Burial Council meeting has been scheduled as follows:

Date: Wednesday, June 17, 2026
Time: 9:00 AM
Place: Online via Microsoft Teams
—AND—
Kamehameha Schools Meeting Room
3201 'Akahi Street, Lihue HI 96766

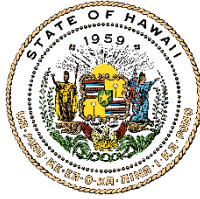
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June 9, 2026

SUBJECT: KAUA'I & NIIHAU ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

The following includes the current members of the Kaua'i & Niihau Island Burial Council, and the manner of their representation.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTATION</u>	
Wayne Harada	Napali	2024-2028
Bruce Robinson	Niihau	2025-2029
Johnette K. Kahalekai	Lihue	2023-2027
Barbara Say	Hanalei	2024-2028
Chad Schimmelfennig	Koloa	2025-2029

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to call Kauanoe Hoomanawanui at (808) 896-0475. Thank you for your knowledge and service on the council.

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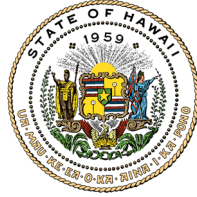
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**AGENDA
KAUAI NIIHAU ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

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Time: 9:00 AM

Place: Online via Microsoft Teams

—AND—

Kamehameha Schools Meeting Room

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL/PULE

III. MINUTES

A. Approval of the Minutes for May 20, 2026.

IV. INADVERTENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

A. Discussion Regarding Update Inadvertent Discovery of Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains at Lawai Beach, Lawai Ahupua'a, Kona District, Island of Kauai. TMK: (4) 2-6-002:001.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. The upcoming KNIBC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 15, 2026, 9:00 A.M. at Kamehameha Schools Meeting Room 3201 'Akahi Street, Lihue, HI 96766.**

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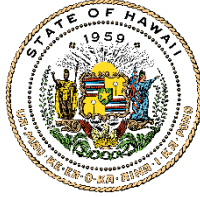
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KNIBC Members: **Present:**
Member Chad Schimmelfennig (Koloa)
Chair Johnette K. Kahalekai (Lihue)
Member Bruce Robinson (Niihau)
Vice Chair Wayne Harada (Napali)
Member Barbara Say (Hanalei)

Not Present:
None

SHPD Staff: Kauanoë Hoomanawanui, Burial Sites Specialist, SHPD

Guests: Torie Hoopii, Honua Consulting
Leialoha Makuanani, OHA
Adrea Neller, Guest

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 9:18 am.

II. ROLL CALL/PULE

Chad Schimmelfennig, Bruce Robinson, Wayne Harada, Chair Kahalekai are present. Barbara Say is also present and gave pule.

III. MINUTES

A. Approval of the Minutes for November 19, 2025.

B. Approval of the Minutes for January 21, 2026

Recording: 00:30:58-00:32:26

- *Motion and vote made at 00:32:22*

MOTION: To approve November 19, 2025, and January 21, 2026, minutes.

MOVED BY: Bruce Robinson

2nd BY: Chad Schimmelfennig

IV. BUSINESS

A. Discussion Regarding the Review of the Draft State Historic Preservation Plan

Recording: 00:40:33-0:32:55

- Torie Hoopii, Honua Consulting (00:40:33)
- Member Kahalekai (01:12:20)
- Chad Schimmelfennig (01:14:14)
- Wayne Harada (01:18:32)

B. Presentation by Office of Hawaiian Affairs on their 2026 Legislative Package, House Bill 2104, House Draft 2, Senate Draft 1, Conference Draft 1, Senate Bill 2538, House Bill 2102, and Senate Bill 2536, Relating to the Island Burial Councils and Historic Preservation

- A. House Bill 2104, House Draft 2, Senate Draft 1, Conference Draft 1 — Relating to the Island Burial Councils. Extends the time to fill vacancies that occur during an Island Burial Council member's term. Provides per diem compensation in the form of a stipend for Island Burial Council members representing geographic regions. Adjusts the Island Burial Councils' quorum for business to be a majority of the appointed council members, but no fewer than three members.
- B. Senate Bill 2538 – Relating to Island Burial Councils. Establishes stipends for certain Island Burial Council members. Amends section 6E-43.5, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, relating to quorum and compensation.
- C. House Bill 2102, House Draft 1 – Relating to Historic Preservation. Clarifies and expands the types of proposed projects for privately-owned residential properties that are subject to historic review.
- D. Senate Bill 2536 – Relating to Historic Preservation. Clarifies that residential projects involving ground disturbance in high-risk areas remains subject to review under the State Historic Preservation Program. Removes the historic review exemption for lands presumed nominally sensitive.

Recording: 00:32:26-00:40:01

- Leialoha Makuanani, OHA (00:35:28)
- Member Kahalekai (00:39:51)

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A. None

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Meeting adjourns at 10:35 A.M.

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