

# Committee Meetings

October 17, 2006

Chair Josephine Sokei called the Committee Meetings to order at 9:10 a.m.

Board present: Josephine Sokei, Ian Costa, Donald Fujimoto, Steven Kyono, Lynn McCrory, and Bernie Sakoda. Absent & excused: Myles Shibata

Staff present: Wynne Ushigome, Paul Ganaden, Les Yoshioka, Gregg Fujikawa, Keith Fujimoto, Bruce Inouye, and Faith Shiramizu. Deputy County Attorneys Jim Tagupa and Galen Nakamura.

## **PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Public Affairs Committee Chair Bernie Sakoda called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. Members present were: Ian Costa, Donald Fujimoto, Steve Kyono, Lynn McCrory and Josephine Sokei. Absent & excused: Myles Shibata.

## **Re: Public Affairs Update**

PR Specialist Faith Shiramizu gave the following report:

**Project WET:** MAKE A SPLASH - Our 2006 Water Festival flowed smoothly, thanks to our 200 volunteers that came from our Water Department, Public Works, DLNR/DOFAW, KFD, KPD, East & West Kauai Soil & Water Conservation, National Tropical Botanical Garden, Princeville at Hanalei,, DOH, Oceanic Cable, AMR, retired teachers, family and friends. We also had 2 representatives from the Bishop Museum that video taped and photographed the event. Donation of goods and services were also received from Ron's Electric, Kapaa Ice House and Meadow Gold Dairies.

The activity leaders and presenters did an outstanding job and shared welcome information with the 530 eager students. Thank you cards and evaluations from teachers and students have all been very positive, with students actually stating that they learned how much water they use in a day. If just half of these enthusiastic students went home and shared some of their newly acquired knowledge with their parents and family, just think of the impact we have made on protecting our precious resource.

FACILITATOR TRAINING: Julie Scanlan, our Regional Representative, will be using a plane ticket that she already has (no cost to us) to come to Kauai and conduct a Project WET Facilitator Workshop in early March, 2007. This is a great opportunity to increase the number of trained facilitators in the state and energize the program. Julie will be available to us for 3 days (including a workshop), during which time DOW will be responsible for her hotel and car accommodations.

**Kekaha Elementary School :** Working with Rosemary Vaivao at Kekaha Elementary School to bring an activity to their "Gotcha Night" on November 15<sup>th</sup>. When students are caught demonstrating one of their Positive Behavioral Support Goals (being Respectful, Responsible or Safe), they are given a "Gotcha" ticket that can be redeemed on Gotcha Night to participate in activities that are made available to them. They expect over 200 people (students and families). Siblings and parents are allowed to enjoy the activities as well with tokens given to them when they bring a canned good that will be donated to a charity organization.

**Kauai Keiki Story Festival:** We have donated 300 Activity booklets to the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Kauai Keiki Story Festival that will be held on October 28, 2006, in Hanapepe. This event promotes reading aloud to others (they find that even adults enjoy it). The activity booklets will provide a fun way for parents to

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interact with their children while learning more about where our water comes from as well as how and why we should protect and conserve it.

**Kauai Planning and Action Alliance:** The Office of Economic Development and KPAA will be presenting a conference on November 9<sup>th</sup>, titled "Greening the Visitor Industry". We will be giving a presentation on water conservation methods that can be employed here on Kauai. Ms. Shiramizu updated the Board that the DOW is not giving a presentation.

Received for the record.

The Public Affairs Committee was duly adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Finance Committee Chair Steven Kyono called the Finance Committee Meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. Members present: Ian Costa, Donald Fujimoto, Lynn McCrory, Bernie Sakoda and Josephine Sokei. Absent & Excused: Myles Shibata

### **Re: Claims Payable:**

WATER UTILITY FUND:.....	\$1,769,835.44
BOND FUND: .....	\$ 69,863.01
FRC FUND: .....	\$ 161,625.73
STATE FUND:.....	\$ -0-
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b><u>\$2,001,324.18</u></b>

Ms. Sakoda moved that the claims be approved for payment, seconded by Ms. Sokei; motion was carried.

The Finance Committee was adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

## **RULES COMMITTEE**

Rules Committee Chair Lynn McCrory called the meeting to order at 9:16 a.m. Members present were Ian Costa, Donald Fujimoto, Steven Kyono, Bernie Sakoda and Josephine Sokei. Absent & excused: Myles Shibata.

### **Re: Rules Update**

Ms. McCrory gave the following Rules Update that there is nothing new to report at this time. The Department continues to internally discuss the application and implementation of the Facilities Reserve Charge (FRC) offsets against water system infrastructure improvements, which are constructed and dedicated to the Department, as part of the proposed development

Received for the record. The Rules Committee was adjourned at 9:17 a.m.

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