

Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment

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**MEETING OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON BENEFICIARY ADVOCACY AND EMPOWERMENT**

**DATE:** Tuesday, January 25, 2022**TIME:** 10:00 a.m.**PLACE:** Virtual MeetingViewable at [www.oha.org/livestream](http://www.oha.org/livestream) OR

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**Due to COVID-19, the OHA Board of Trustees and its standing committees will hold virtual meetings until further notice. Pursuant to Governor Ige's December 29, 2021 Emergency Proclamation Related to Sunshine Law In-Person Meetings, there will be no in-person location for this meeting that is open to the general public. The virtual meetings can be viewed and observed via livestream on OHA's website at [www.oha.org/livestream](http://www.oha.org/livestream) or listen by phone: (213) 338-8477, Webinar ID: 898 9176 7910**

**AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Public Testimony on Items Listed on the Agenda\* (Please see page 2 on how to submit written testimony or provide oral testimony online. Oral testimony by phone will **not** be accepted)
- III. Approval of Minutes
  - A. December 8, 2021
  - B. December 27, 2021
- IV. New Business
  - A. Workshop: Policies - Series 2000 – Beneficiary Support and Services: Protect Ceded Lands, OHA Water Policy and Water Backgrounder, Policy on Protecting Iwi Kupuna, International Engagement, Beneficiary Support Services, Advocacy, Collaborations with Other Agencies and Organizations, Repatriation, Housing, Wai, Iwi Kūpuna, Disaster Resourcing; and consideration of a newly drafted Military Engagement Policy.
- V. Announcements
- VI. Adjournment



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†Notice: The 72 Hour rule, pursuant to OHA BOT Operations Manual, Section 49, shall be waived for distribution of new committee materials.

\* Public Testimony on Items Listed on the Agenda must be limited to matters listed on the meeting agenda.

**Hawai'i Revised Statutes, Chapter 92, Public Agency Meetings and Records, prohibits Board members from discussing or taking action on matters not listed on the meeting agenda.**

**Testimony can be provided to the OHA Board of Trustees either as: (1) *written testimony emailed at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting*, (2) *written testimony mailed and received at least two business days prior to the scheduled meeting*, or (3) *live, oral testimony online during the virtual meeting*.**

- (1) Persons wishing to provide **written testimony** on items listed on the agenda should submit testimony via **email** to [BOTmeetings@oha.org](mailto:BOTmeetings@oha.org) at least **24 hours prior** to the scheduled meeting or via **postal mail** to Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Attn: Meeting Testimony, 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817 **to be received at least two business days prior** to the scheduled meeting. Any testimony received after these deadlines will be late testimony and will be distributed to the Board members after the scheduled meeting. **Due to COVID-19 office closure and limited in-office staffing, please do not fax or hand-deliver written testimony.**
- (2) Persons wishing to provide **oral testimony online** during the virtual meeting must first register at:

**[https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_HM21hkhXRt-qMFTtwq9XAO](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_HM21hkhXRt-qMFTtwq9XAO)**

**You need to register if you would like to orally testify. Once you have completed your registration, a confirmation email will be sent to you with a link to join the virtual meeting, along with further instructions on how to provide oral testimony during the virtual meeting. The registration page will closed once the Public Testimony or Community Concerns agenda items have concluded.**

**To provide oral testimony online, you will need:**

- (1) a computer or mobile device to connect to the virtual meeting;**
- (2) internet access; and**
- (3) a microphone to provide oral testimony.**



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**Oral testimony online will be limited to five (5) minutes.**

**Oral testimony by telephone/landline will not be accepted at this time.**

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**Please visit OHA's website for more detailed information on how to submit Public Testimony OR Community Concerns at: <https://www.oha.org/how-to-submit-testimony-for-oha-bot-meetings/>**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Kaleihikina Akaka".

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Trustee Kaleihikina Akaka, Chair  
Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment

**1/19/2022**

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Date