

**HPHA Board Meeting
DOH Conference Room 250
March 9, 2016**

Attending: Nancy Partika, Ethan Allen, Andy Grandinetti , Christian Gloria, Gerald, Ohta, Jill Tamashiro, Kylie Bretzel, Tiana Fontanilla, Holly Kessler

Guests : Mikako Deguchi , Hoce Kalkas

Meeting called to order: 1:35pm

Minutes:

Circulated and approved as presented.

Fiscal report:

Bank balance: \$13,668 in First Hawaiian bank account as of 2/29/16. Income: \$274, Expenses \$2,082. Received \$30,788 GIA check on March 2, 2016 so bank balance as of March 5, 2016 is \$44,391.

Next meeting fiscal report discuss reimbursing partial APHA membership fees for officers who are required to be an APHA member, as well as ARGC travel costs.

Special presentation

Dr. Mikako Deguchi, partnership in Oral Health at JABSOM, presented the Dentaquest Foundation grant opportunity. There are grantees from all states on this oral health project. She currently has a grant from Dentaquest for her dental project on Molokai. She will help us write the letter of intent and full proposal if we are selected to do so. She sees HPHA's role as a connector between grassroots and grassstops. Funding is for one year in the range of \$100k to \$150k. Our proposal focus could be on education and health equity. 15% indirect to HPHA. Nancy, Ethan, Tiana and Holly will form a small workgroup to flush out the details and submit the concept paper.

Membership:

Current membership count is 633, with 6 new members, and one new Lifetime member.

Social media update – Facebook likes 497, Twitter followers 274

Legislative report:

Hoce has done an amazing job to date during this year's legislative session. She has brought visibility to HPHA by testifying both written and oral. She presented an update (attached) on all of the bills HPHA has been tracking and their progress to date. Also, all testimonies submitted are posted on the HPHA website.

APHA Update:

Hali is taking over slowly, as Gerald is still on two APHA committees. Gerald will coordinate answering the Affiliate Survey. Christian will attend the APHA president-elect meeting in June (expenses paid by APHA).

Climate Change & Health:

March 18, 2016 meeting's speakers and topics are: "Talking Climate Store: Experiences Communicating with Communities through Dialogue" presenter Dr. Matthew Stiller-Reeve, PhD, Researcher, Uni Research Climate-Bjerknes Centre for Climate Research, Bergen, Norway and "Climate Change Adaptation and Community Development" presenter Professor Jackie Dawson, PhD, Canada Research Chair in Environment, Society and Policy, Department of Geography, Institute for Science, Society and Policy (ISSP), University of Ottawa, Canada.

Two more meetings – April and May. That will be the end of the schedule. DOH will then need to make a decision on how to proceed. HPHA has taken the lead all of these months. Per the Reso, the group will dissolve in June 2016. DOH needs to appoint a lead/point person on Climate Change. BRACE grant funding is important to keep this work alive. HPHA is still interested in continuing the Climate Change work group, but needs funding to proceed.

HPU is conducting a climate change speaker conference. Perhaps HPU could help HPHA with a grant?

National Public Health Week:

Event planned for April 7 at the Sullivan Conference Center @ JABSOM. Theme will be Healthiest Nation 2030- Hawaii the Healthiest State? Speakers will be Dr. Tricia Wright of Waikiki Health's PATH Clinic, Scott Morishige the Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, and Jessica Yamauchi of the Hawaii Public Health Institute. Event planning meeting is scheduled after today's board meeting.

Hawaii Public Health Conference 2016:

Planning meetings are held every two weeks. Conference objectives are being flushed out, as are the abstract guidelines. New website is being designed.

Need to choose a date for the 2017 conference to inform the Hawaii Convention Center as they graciously extended our penalty to 2017. Discussion ensued, date of Friday, October 13, 2017 was agreed upon as the 2017 date. Will only give HCC one day, if we wish to have a 2 or 3 day conference, inform HCC of that as we get closer and are certain, so as to not incur another penalty. Possible Chair for 2017 conference is Clifford Chang.

Transition of Officers:

Effective as of this date, Ethan Allen is president, and Nancy Partika is past-president. Ethan appointed Christin Gloria as Vice President effective immediately.

Nancy stated it was a pleasure working with the current board and she thanked everyone. Then the board acknowledged Nancy for her hard work and dedication over the past two years.

Next Meeting: Doodle poll will be circulated for May date.

Meeting End: 2:50pm