

**Marine and Coastal Zone Advocacy Council
Ke Kahu O Na Kumu Wai**

October 3, 2006
9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Hawaii Convention Center, Room 301A
1801 Kalakaua Avenue
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

MINUTES

Members Present: Ron Terry, Roland Sagum, Arnold Lum, Sue Sakai, James Coon, Scott Sullivan, Kanoa Withington,

Members Absent: Donna Brown, Robert Hera, Donald Thornberg,

OP Staff: Karen Shishido, Christina Meller

Others present: Leimana DaMate, Mary Grady, Kitty Courtney, Mark Mitsuyasu, Cheryl Vann, Janet Mandrell, Eric Dobbs

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Call to Order

Chair Arnold Lum called the meeting to order at 9:22 a.m. Everyone at the meeting introduced themselves.

Approval of the July 10, 2006 Meeting Minutes

Arnold suggested consistency in identifying individuals (initially identifying persons by first and last names and thereafter by first names) in the minutes, a very minor change. Minutes were approved.

Report and Discussion of RCUH Existing Budget and Expenditures

The RCUH spreadsheet shows the current available RCUH funds for working group projects. It also shows expenditures for employee salary, travel reimbursements, and also the remaining balance. Chris indicated that the budget lags by one month. What is on the sheet may reflect more in costs due to the lag.

CZM Hawaii Program Report – Douglas Tom

See attached report for October 3, 2006.

Public Forum

Leimana attended an ORMP public meeting. There were three perspectives that were done really well.

The State jurisdiction of coastal lands, ceded and submerged, extends up to 3 miles outward of all the islands including the Northwest Hawaiian Islands (NWHI). With the designation of the NWHI as a national monument, 140,000 acres or 4/5 were lost under State jurisdiction. This is not mentioned in the ORMP.

A concern is that if the State jurisdiction does extend to the NWHI, what does it mean? How will it affect fishing and gathering rights? The public was not consulted before determining monument status. No Hawaiian public advisory group was created to address concerns prior to the monument designation. It was mentioned that Tetra Tech, Inc. will be holding public meetings on the national monument. Sue mentioned that the President did the designation by Executive Order so no public process was done.

Working Group Reports

Budget Working Group: - Arnold: There were some project that MACZAC had undertaken. Some were completed and others abandoned. However, the shoreline certification process was the most successful.

There is \$42,000 in the RCUH budget, which is easier to use than the general fund. It covers community outreach, mediation, research, travel, salary, and administering projects. There is also \$25,000 in the general fund.

There are several requests for funding. These are:

1. The Aquaculture Development Program (ADP) requested funding for software and hardware to complete GIS mapping for aquaculture sites. Doug had mentioned previously that this is something that CZM could cover in terms of research and equipment. CZM also offered to fund permit processing but ADP declined.

Previously, Athline Clark mentioned that the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) wants to get involved. Has to come in and get a CDUA which triggers an EIS.

Sue stated that there should be some criteria for funding.

2. DLNR requested funding to publish a coastal resources guidebook. They are also requesting \$10,000 for a community demonstration project. Chris had concerns that they had \$130,000 from Section 310 funds this would be beyond what they already have funds for.

Sue mentioned that MACZAC should be involved in the process and not in the funding.

Sue thought that outside, specific projects are taking away from what MACZAC wants to fund. Chris suggested that we need to look at where Section 309 and 306 funds are being spent.

3. A request from the Office of Planning for publication of a rural brochure was made. MACZAC agreed to fund this.
4. Donna requested \$4800 to continue efforts of advocating Marine Protected Areas during this fiscal year. This would come from the RCUH budget and approval was recommended.
5. Jim requested \$4800 to hire a researcher to look into low-tech solutions of pump-out and pollution.

There are legal hurdles regarding facilities (dry dock) where people can work on their own boats on the islands. Working with DLNR regarding the rules which are going to the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

Denise Antolini, a professor at the UH Law School may have a student that could take one of the projects on (\$1,000).

6. A request was made to fund MACZAC's dedicated office equipment. Eric needs a better computer that is also has GIS capabilities. He would also need to get some CZM licenses for software. Ron wants some specs and Sullivan asked if the software is shared. Jim suggested that the cost come from RCUH funds to save cost and avoid procurement.
7. Another request is to increase Eric's allocation up to 30 hours a week. This is not on a weekly basis.

Ocean Resources Management Plan Implementation: - Jim: Thank you to the MACZAC members for attending the ORMP public meetings. There were about 100 people attending the meetings statewide. Various concerns and comments that were brought up were:

- Waste dumping from recreational and commercial boats
- Marine mammal strikes and invasive species effects on streams and water quality
- Tourist industry to fund ocean management initiatives
- Volunteers for demonstration project on Molokai
- Jurisdictional questions regarding NWHI

Deadline for commenting on the ORMP is October 13, 2006.

Scott attended the Oahu meeting and mentioned that it was well attended. Justin went to the West Hawaii Fisheries Council meeting and said that they are basically doing what is in the ORMP. They are hoping to get legislative support by extension from the ORMP.

DLNR is again pushing for the creation of HOCC with MACZAC on it. Add to objectives and policies on natural policies.

Ron said that there is a concern that the goals of the ORMP may lack follow through. Group to push the ORMP to implementation. Jim mentioned that OPCZM should be doing the ORMP and not DLNR who is only one part of the ORMP. HOCC was poorly attended and not very functional. Of all the Counties, Maui County was the only one that showed up regularly. There were no consistent representation due to people who attend are constantly changing.

Jim wants to set up an ORMP Working Group meeting to run issues to our representatives. Everything will be on a short time frame.

New Business

Members voted on the following budgetary items:

1. Move \$15,000 from general funds to RCUH allocation, leaving about \$10,000 in the general fund. Motion unanimously approved.
2. Allot up to \$4800 to the MPA Working Group to cover travel and mediation. This was mentioned as part of the White Paper done by MACZAC. Motion unanimously approved.
3. Allot not more than \$4800 to the Boating Working Group projects. Scott felt that this should possibly be funded by the industry. Motion unanimously approved.
4. MACZAC decided not to fund the DLNR community grant proposal. Motion unanimously approved.
5. The rural policy guidebook publication was funded for \$1500 from the \$10,000 in general funds. Sullivan had a concern that MACZAC should think more about funding projects that are CZM related.
6. As a MACZAC staffer, allot no more than 30 hours a week for Eric. Regarding the computer system, amend cost from \$6,000 to \$2,500. Funding for both will come from RCUH. Chris will check on a way to avoid the procurement process. Motion unanimously approved.

MACZAC has been recruiting for members due to some vacancies. Applicants need to state why they would like to serve on MACZAC. Applications are due to Laura on October 24, 2006.

Old Business

Jim suggested that OP co-chair with MACZAC on the ORMP Working Group implementation. Comments are to be submitted by October 13, 2006. Motion unanimously approved.

Next Meeting Date

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m. Next meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. in the OP Conference Room.