

## MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE HAWAI'I BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

DATE: February 14, 2018

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Leiopapa A Kamehameha Building

Office of Planning, 6th Floor Conference Room

235 S. Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

## AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order

Mr. Marzan called the meeting to order at 10:06 am.

The following were in attendance:

**MEMBERS:** Marques Marzan (Bishop Museum)

Brad Ka'aleleo Wong (Office of Hawaiian Affairs)

Meyer Cummins (Land Survey Division)

Holly McEldowney (Department of Land and Natural Resources)

Noenoe Silva (University of Hawai'i) arrived at 10:09 am

**ABSENT:** Kaleo Manuel (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands)

Leo Asuncion (Office of Planning)

**ADVISORS:** Arthur Buto (Office of Planning staff)

GUESTS: Keola Awong (National Park Service volunteer) joined the meeting by phone

at 10:30 am

### **AGENDA ITEM 2:** Review of Meeting Minutes for January 10, 2018:

**MOTION:** Mr. Wong moved to approve the minutes; Ms. McEldowney seconded the motion.

The members present voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes of January 10, 2018.

## **AGENDA ITEM 3: Public Comments**

Mr. Buto introduced a request from the National Park Service Ala Kahakai National Historic Trail to review some place names. These names will be on the agenda for next

month's meeting. A spreadsheet with the names and some accompanying documentation were provided for the Board members to review prior to the next meeting.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 4:** Announcements

Mr. Marzan appeared on KHPR's *The Conversation* yesterday, February 13, 2018. http://hawaiipublicradio.org/post/conversation-tuesday-february-13th-2018

# AGENDA ITEM 5: Discuss adding a new decision category, "Alternate name"

Mr. Buto summarized the discussion from the January 10<sup>th</sup> meeting and put it into a Submittal template for the Board to review and discuss today.

The GNIS will still only have one Primary name with Variants; the Alternate name, if adopted by the HBGN will have no impact on the federal names database.

To prepare for the next meeting, Board members should think about defining the term "Alternate name" more precisely and developing guidelines for its use (e.g., how is it different from a Variant name?).

# AGENDA ITEM 6: Review of selected place names on the island of Hawai'i (Bobby Camara).

[Keola Awong joined the meeting by phone. She will listen in for the place names that are in the park. She has the online map showing the names that are located within the park.]

Keola informed the Board that a parcel was recently acquired by the national park service and is now part of the Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park.



A handful of place names that fall within the Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park boundaries was reviewed. However, Keola thought it best to bring them to the Kupuna group for their comments and input. These names all remain as "3"s ("More Research Needed").

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Stat	FeatID	Name	Class	Corrected	Source	Notes	USGSQuad
3	361289	Kipuka Kapulehu	Lava			PNH: not listed;  Keola Awong related story she remembers from nupepa about a Hawaiian woman who told her son that when she died, she needed to return to Pele; he was to take her remains to the volcano; but there was an eruption while he was on his way and he couldn't get past the lava flow to get to the crater; he left her at Kapulehu; Noenoe Silva noted that the name 'Kapulehu' comes up a lot in Papakilo online database, most in this area, but no 'Kipuka Kapulehu;' need to find out when/how Kipuka came into use;  Bobby Camara had suggested at one time concatenating the "Kipuka" names; Keola Awong will talk to Bobby; Marques Marzan came across Kāpulehu as a star name;  Keola Awong: will bring it to attention of Kupuna group, 2-14-18	Kahuku Ranch
3	361305	Kipuka Mamane	Lava			PNH: not listed;  Keloa Awong: lots of mamane trees in the area; will bring it to attention of Kupuna group, 2-14-18	Kahuku Ranch
3	360245	Kamakapaa	Summit			PNH: not listed;  Keola Awong: will bring it to attention of Kupuna group, 2-14-18	Kahuku Ranch

Stat	FeatID	Name	Class	Corrected	Source	Notes	USGSQuad
3	361904	Lua Olai	Crater			PNH: not listed	Kahuku
						Vacle Awang den't know	Ranch
						Keola Awong: don't know much about it; will bring it to	
						attention of Kupuna group, 2-	
						14-18	
3	364002	Puu Nanaia	Summit			PNH: not listed; HBGN:	Kahuku
						combined, Pu'unanaia;	Ranch
						Noenoe Silva: in a story in one	
						1898 nupepa article, it was	
						spelled as one word; no clue in	
						the story about diacriticals;	
						Keola Awong: will bring it to	
						attention of Kupuna group, 2-	
						14-18	
3	363617	Puu o	Summit			PNH: not listed; HBGN:	Kahuku
		Kahuku				combined, Pu'uokahuku;	Ranch
						Keola Awong: doesn't know	
						much about it; will bring it to	
						attention of Kupuna group, 2-	
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3	363639	Puu o Lokuana	Summit			PNH: not listed; UHP4: Pu'u o Lokuana; HBGN:	Kahuku Ranch
		Lokuana				Pu'uolokuana from RM 2176	Kanch
						Alexander MS:4, 1/17/13;	
						Keola Awong: prominent hill	
						near her office; there is a	
						heavy kind of rain; will bring	
						it to attention of Kupuna	
						group, 2-14-18	

[Keola left the meeting at 11:03am]

# AGENDA ITEM 7: Review of selected place names on the island of Moloka'i.

The Board reviewed six place names located on the island of Moloka'i. Of these one will require more discussion, three were found to be correct in the GNIS, and two required spelling corrections.

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Stat	FeatID	Name	Class	Corrected	Source	Notes	Quad
3	364617	Waihilahila Fishpond	Reservoir			PNH: Waihilahila (is the fishpond); current imagery shows walls of fishpond visible but submerged; more discussion needed around removing "Fishpond" from this place name and other fishponds in the GNIS, 2-14-18	Halawa
5	1890648	Wailau Beach	Beach		HBGN	HBGN: associative, 2-14-18	Kamalo
5	364716	Wailau Trail	Trail		PNH	PNH; 2-14-18	Halawa
5	364717	Wailau Trail	Trail		PNH	PNH; 2-14-18	Kamalo
4	1965349	Wai-lau Valley	Valley	Wailau Valley	PNH	PNH; 2-14-18	Kamalo
4	1935681	West Molokai Division	Civil	West Molokaʻi Division	HBGN	HBGN: associative to the name of the island, 2-14-18	Molokai Airport

# AGENDA ITEM 8: Adjourn

Mr. Marzan adjourned the meeting at 11:43 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 14, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., at the Office of Planning Conference Room.