MINUTES
FOR THE MEETING OF THE
HAWAI‘I BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

DATE: November 25, 2019
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: Leiopapa A Kamehameha Building
        Office of Planning, 6th Floor Conference Room
        235 S. Beretania Street
        Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813

The start of the meeting was delayed due to lack of quorum.

AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order

Mr. Cummins called the meeting to order at 3:14pm.

The following were in attendance:

MEMBERS: Meyer Cummins (Land Survey Division)
          Holly McEldowney (Department of Land and Natural Resources)
          Brad Ka‘alelelo Wong (Office of Hawaiian Affairs)
          Arthur Buto (Office of Planning)

ABSENT: William Aila (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands)
        Marques Marzan (Bishop Museum)
        Noenoe Silva (University of Hawai‘i)
        Mary Alice Evans (Office of Planning)

GUESTS: Bobby Camara

AGENDA ITEM 2: Review of Meeting Minutes for September 23, 2019

MOTION: Mr. Wong moved to approve the minutes of September 23, 2019; Ms.
         McEldowney seconded the motion.

         The members present voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes of August 26, 2019.

AGENDA ITEM 3: Public Comments

None.

AGENDA ITEM 4: Announcements

Expecting letter from President David Lassner delegating Board responsibility to Kapā Oliveira.
Letter sent to William Aila, Jr. asking for designation of DHHL delegate.

Reminder to PIG that presentation of report due next month.

AGENDA ITEM 5: Selected place names on the island of Hawai‘i

At 3:22pm Mr. Bobby Camara joined the meeting by phone.

[360015] Kalaieha. Mr. Camara emailed Dr. Larry Kimura. He said that the spelling should be “Kalei’eha” but it’s sometimes pronounced “Kalai‘eha.” Mr. Camara will forward the email.

[362746] Ohia Mill. Mr. Camara is not familiar with the area but thinks that the spelling of ‘ohia should be corrected, “ʻOhia Mill.”

[363703] Puu Hilea. Mr. Camara said that this was a town in Kaʻu. PNH: village, gulch, and land division; it doesn’t look like a puʻu on the topo maps; more research needed.

[361306] Kipuka Mamani. HBGN: Mr. Camara suggested the name be changed to “Kīpuka Māmane” to be consistent with current spelling; mamani is an obsolete spelling. Ms. McEldowney noted that this is a common misspelling of the name of the tree. Mr. Cummins noted that there’s a comment in Ulukau that mentions that this is a māmane tree oasis. Mr. Camara confirmed that there are māmane trees there. Hawaiian Dictionary (Pukui and Elbert) lists māmane, but doesn’t have a listing for mamani. Board members present support correcting the spelling to “Kīpukamāmane.”

Summary of decisions:

Four feature names were reviewed: one spelling was corrected, and three require more research and discussion.

Status Key: 1 = Not Hawaiian; 2 = Not Reviewed; 3 = More Research Needed; 4 = HBGN Corrected 5 = Already Correct in GNIS; 6 = Name Change

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### AGENDA ITEM 6: Adjourn

Board members present stated their availability for a December meeting. The week of December 16th is the most likely. Mr. Buto will send out a poll to the members to decide the meeting date and time at which the PIG will submit/present its report.

Mr. Cummins adjourned the meeting at 4:04pm.