MINUTES
FOR THE MEETING OF THE
HAWAIʻI BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

DATE: June 1, 2021
TIME: 2:30 p.m.
PLACE: Leiopapa A Kamehameha Building
Office of Planning, 6th Floor Library
235 S. Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaiʻi 96813

AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order

Mr. Marzan called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

The following were in attendance:

MEMBERS: Marques Marzan (Bishop Museum)
Meyer Cummins (Land Survey Division)
Kapā Oliveira (University of Hawaiʻi at Mānoa)
Arthur Buto for Mary Alice Evans (Office of Planning)
Niniau Kawaihae (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands) initially joined the meeting but was having power and connectivity issues. After several minutes she rejoined the meeting
Holly McEldowney (Department of Land and Natural Resources) joined the meeting at 2:38pm

ABSENT: Brad Kaʻaleleo Wong (Office of Hawaiian Affairs)

GUESTS: Jennifer Runyon (USGS)

AGENDA ITEM 2: Review of Meeting Minutes for May 4, 2021

MOTION: Mr. Cummins moved to accept the minutes of May 4, 2021; Ms. Oliveira seconded the motion.

The members present voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes of May 4, 2021.

AGENDA ITEM 3: Public Comments

None.

AGENDA ITEM 4: Announcements

None.
AGENDA ITEM 5: Discussion and Action on Loʻihi / Kamaʻehu

Mr. Buto noted that it is on the agenda because at the last meeting the Loʻihi PIG was dissolved, further discussion of the name initiated, but no new PIG was established, and no naming decision was reached. A new PIG would require a clear purpose and timeframe. If no PIG is created, individual Board members can use their own resources, reach out to their respective communities, gauge public interest and report back to the full Board periodically for further discussion. The item will remain on the agenda as a vehicle to move discussion along.

AGENDA ITEM 6: Review selected place names on the island of Hawaiʻi (Camara)

Mr. Marzan recommended holding this item until the next meeting when Mr. Camara is in attendance.

Mr. Buto asked Ms. Runyon about the next steps for the name changes that NPS brought to the HBGN, which were approved at its meeting last month.

Ms. Runyon suggested that the packets submitted to the US BGN for formal consideration and to be put on the review list. It’s not clear if the Hawaiʻi Park Service folks have spoken to the Park Service member of the US BGN. Ms. Runyon recommended that Ms. Lane-Kamahele speak to Mr. Mike Shelton of the Washington, D.C. office. They are planning on finishing up their quarterly review list at the end of June, so the timing would be perfect, if they can be sent in the next couple of weeks. Mr. Buto will send the packets to Ms. Runyon and Ms. Lane-Kamahele.

Ms. Runyon also mentioned that the proposed name for Fissure 8 is on the docket for the US BGN meeting next week for a final vote. She will inform HBGN of the result.

AGENDA ITEM 7: Adjourn

Next meeting will be Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Mr. Marzan adjourned the meeting at 2:51 p.m.