

**N Wai Ola PCS  
Governing Board Meeting Minutes  
Date Oct 20, 2015**

**CALLED TO ORDER**

5:37 PM

**ATTENDEES**

Lore-lin Makaiwi, staff rep, Jason Wong, teacher alternate, Sandy Carvalho, teacher rep, Melissa Costa, V chair/parent rep, Daniel Caluya, Director; Charles Mapa, facilities rep, Kiara Bianchi, parent rep, Serena Fujikawa, community rep/treasurer, Mary Quijano, teacher rep/secretary; Haley Ford, KC Arnold, Francine Wintersteen, Ku'ulei Coyaso-Vicente; parent rep nominees; Julie Murcia, Anna Aoki, Doreen Kaleiwahea: staff visitors; James Kamanu, visitor

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting called to order at 5:37 PM, Quorum established. Agenda altered to allow review and correction of 3 prior board minutes before any other business could commence at request of treasurer and teacher rep Carvalho. Prior minutes of 8/31/15 corrected to include election of Fujikawa to board, minutes of 9/1/15 corrected to include unanimous vote for Fujikawa to become Treasurer, and minutes of 9/9 as written. All minutes with corrections were accepted by unanimous vote.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

At 6:01 pm Director Caluya began report. At Count day we have 208 students enrolled in K-7 and an additional 19 enrolled in PreK. Still no electricity to modular building; waiting on Helco for final approval and action. Bus passed annual safety check. Problems continue with some parents not being at bus stops to pick up children as well as some not picking up children from after school program on time. Solution is contact police for bus pick up problems; for after school pgm have 3 warnings before child out. This week is National School lunch program monitoring. Next week Oct 27 is meeting in Pahoia to discuss where in Puna to build new public library: Director urged board members to attend to support idea of putting it in Mt. View so accessible to our students.



<p><b>TREASURER'S REPORT</b></p>	<p>6:16 begins Treasurer's report. This continues until 7:56. Treasurer discussed all the problems with the board that she opined were the cause that a decision had not been made regarding the establishment of a K-1 hybrid class. She iterated the following reasons: 1. Distractions: A- Insolvency at end of prior school year: Distraction B.- Loans to employees in prior school year and first part of this year, practice since stopped. 2. The Board: the next issue the treasurer chose to discuss was problems with the make up and actions or inactions of the board itself. As discussions had already gone on for about 40 to 45 minutes at this time, the board secretary questioned the relevance of this to the treasurer's financial reports, requesting – in interests of time – that this be discussed at the next board meeting. To this, the treasurer replied that she felt all this needed to be discussed first to show why the board failed to resolve the K-1 issue until now. She continued to discuss board issues for another 45 minutes. The treasurer then stated that a review of salaries revealed that many of staff salaries were not aligned to those standards set by the bargaining units. <i>During the last 10 minutes the treasurer</i> went over the most recent financial report she'd received from the business manager, pointing out those areas where the allocation has been overspent. In summation, she tells the K and 1 teachers who have been waiting for a decision on the new class that the budget shows we cannot afford to hire another teacher for that class, and offers low cost alternatives such as a PTT. Kindergarten teacher says that she will file a grievance.</p>
<p><b>OLD BUSINESS</b></p>	<p>1, Issue of establishing a K-1 hybrid class to eliminate the overcrowding in K and 1 which is in violation of HSTA mandates and state law: After some discussion, secretary moved to establish the K-1 hybrid class, which was seconded by Charles Mapa and</p>
	<p>after a little discussion was voted on and passed by a vote of 4 to 2, with Serena and Sandy against. Treasurer then moved that we hire only a Highly Qualified Teacher (HQT) for the position. Some objections to this were raised and discussed, but ultimately the motion carried by unanimous vote.</p> <p>2. The vote for new parent reps: This was tabled as we now had 4 candidates for 3 positions. There was some discussion about the eligibility of one of the candidates whose child was being home schooled now with support from Na Wai Ola as a "blended" school. Board determined that the parent was probably eligible to serve as a parent rep, so a vote</p>

	<p>by parents to elect 3 of the 4 candidates was required, so election of parent reps to board was postponed until that happened.</p> <p>3. Vote for a new chair and discussion of finding a new community rep was tabled as well.</p>
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	<p>The items to be clarified by the by laws committee was also tabled due to the lateness of the hour. Treasurer objected to the use of the term “by laws committee” or “organizational committee” by the group that met during fall break. After some discussion about this and when the next meeting would be held, the board meeting was adjourned.</p>
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	<p>Note: The governing board chair Maurice Messina resigned by email notification to the board on October 1, 2015 “effective immediately.” Next regular board meeting was scheduled for Nov 17 at 5:30PM Special session of board, for board members only, was scheduled for Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30PM</p>
<b>ADJOURN</b>	<p>Board meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.</p>
<b>EXECUTIVE BOARD CONTACTS</b>	