



**DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2008
HALE AKOAKOA, ROOM 103-106
WINDWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

CALL TO ORDER – Chair Roy Yanagihara called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum of twelve (Beatty, DeRego, Ditch, Flanigan, Gavigan, Jefferies, Lum, Morris, Sager, Yamashiro-Hironaka, Yanagihara, Zdvoracek) of the total membership of seventeen present (including the vacant Sub-District 9 seat), with vote of nine members (absolute majority) required to take action.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patty Yamashiro-Hironaka, Kris DeRego, Warren B. Ditch Jr., Stephen Jefferies, Marie Gavigan, Mark Beatty, Wendell Lum, Roy Yanagihara, John Flanigan, L.C. Morris, William Sager, Larry Zdvoracek.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Paul Friel, Glenn Ida, Felipe San Nicolas, Christopher Steele.

GUESTS: Lea Albert, Donna Lindsey, Meredith Maeda (Department of Education – DOE); Tammy Rodriguez, Rico Rodriguez, Dave Underwood, Mary Ann Underwood, Mr. Kanemori, Jerry Jardin (Community Works 96744), Jeremy Personis (Senator Clayton Hee’s Office staff), Kamakana Kaimuloa (Senator Jill Tokuda’s Office staff), Lt. Binford Strickland (Marine Corps Base Hawaii – MCBH), Grant Yoshimori (Hui O Pikoloa), Laura Thielen (Director, Department of Land and Natural Resources – Governor Lingle’s Representative); Lt. John Vines (Honolulu Police Department – HPD); Captain George Kaopuiki (Honolulu Fire Department – Kaneohe), Venus Acoba (Councilmember Barbara Marshall’s Office staff), Janine Tully (Representative Pono Chong’s Office staff), Elwin Spray (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

FILLING OF VACANCY, Subdistrict 9 (one seat each) - Chair Yanagihara asked if there were any persons present interested in filling the Subdistrict 9 vacancy. With no nominations or volunteers, Chair Yanagihara deferred filing of the vacancy to the next Board meeting.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 20, 2008 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: Chair Yanagihara asked for additions or corrections to the circulated Regular Meeting Minutes of March 20, 2008, with the following corrections proposed:

1. Page 2, under correction to the February 21, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes, change Sager’s reference to aircraft noise to provide for “aircraft burning-off fuel should be facing towards Kaneohe town so that the engine exhaust noise is directed towards the open ocean.”
2. Page 4, under Mayor’s Representative, change the suggested swing sets locations to “one or two of the City parks located in Kaneohe.”
3. Page 7, correct spelling of member Sager’s name.

Morris moved and Ditch seconded to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 20, 2008, with the above corrections. Lum said he would submit written corrections about sidewalk and bus stop concerns fronting the entrance of Kaneohe Shopping Center. **Without objections, Chair Yanagihara declared the minutes approve as corrected 12-0-0.** **Aye:** Beatty, DeRego, Ditch, Flanigan, Gavigan, Jefferies, Lum, Morris, Sager, Yamashiro-Hironaka, Yanagihara, Zdvoracek.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA PLANNING AND COMMITTEES’ MEETING MINUTES: Chair Yanagihara deferred the agenda item on Agenda Planning and Committees’ meeting minutes.



TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Beatty reported Board expenditures from the March 2008 Statement, listing \$31.94 in expenditures and a remaining budget balance of \$3,675.26. Chair Yanagihara noted the Statement would be filed and commented that the report includes the full allotment of \$120 for Board meeting refreshments remains, asking that any outstanding receipts be turned in. **Chair Yanagihara asked if the Board wished to continue its past practice of having heavy pupus and community recognition at its May meeting; without objection, Chair Yanagihara declared the Board would plan community recognition and have heavy pupus at the May 15, 2008 Board meeting 12-0-0. Aye:** Beatty, DeRego, Ditch, Flanigan, Gavigan, Jefferies, Lum, Morris, Sager, Yamashiro-Hironaka, Yanagihara, Zdvoracek.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND MILITARY REPORT:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Captain George Kaopuiki (Kaneohe HFD Station) reported March 2008 activity statistics: two structure fires, no brush fires, one rubbish fire and five vehicle fires. He reported emergency calls as: eighty-four medical emergencies, one rescue and thirty-three miscellaneous emergency calls (category includes hazardous condition/vehicle clean up, lock out, water evacuation, assist police, assist invalid, good intent, and false alarm). He reported a major incident of a building fire on Pohakea Point, with four engines and one ladder company responding. He reported a fire safety tip on smoke alarms, highlighting:

Is a smoke alarm really necessary in your home? The answer is YES, ABSOLUTELY!!

Smoke alarms are proven life savers. Fires produce smoke and toxic gases which can numb your senses and prevent you from reacting to the fire. This is especially true at night when you and your family are asleep. A working smoke alarm gives you early notification of a fire and time to escape.

Smoke alarm tips:

- 1) Install smoke alarms on every level of your house and outside of every sleeping area.
- 2) Test smoke alarms once a month.
- 3) Replace smoke alarm batteries once a year or when the smoke alarm chirps to signal that the battery is low.

Fire escape planning is necessary; work with everyone in your family on a plan:

- 1) Plan two ways out of every room.
- 2) Plan a meeting place outside where everyone should gather.
- 3) Plan to stay out, once you're out!

Plan a drill where you activate your smoke alarm and practice your fire escape plan.

Kaopuiki stressed past success of plans where children participate in a practice session, using as an example a Papakolea fire of two years ago where the family had developed a fire escape plan after a school presentation, with all of the children safely evacuating the burning house several days later. Kaopuiki also expressed concern that some people disconnect their smoke alarms and leave themselves without the protection. Kaopuiki noted the wet weather and reminded the Board and audience that the rain causes slick surfaces for roadways and cautioned all to drive slow and with care. Chair Yanagihara thanked Kaopuiki for his report.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – Lt. John Vines distributed written monthly statistics for the month of March 2008, with highlights including: one aggravated assault, twenty burglaries, four motor vehicle theft, thirty-one property damages, one robbery, and twenty-three unauthorized entries into motor vehicle (UEMV), with both the monthly and annual comparison showing a decrease. He reported a recent arrest of four juveniles for graffiti at the Kaneohe District Park and four other Kaneohe incidents of graffiti, which included the shooting of a pellet gun at vehicles within a car lot. Vines discussed that the newly passed law makes the family responsible for the graffiti cleanup done by a minor, and, that an arrest was made over the preceding weekend at Ahuimanu School based on the pattern observed at graffiti incidents at King Intermediate School, responding to Chair Yanagihara that several people have been concentrating on tagging schools and the plain clothes unit are watching for the patterns. Chair Yanagihara asked about

repeat offenders, with Vines agreeing that there are repeats, saying that one recent individual was arrested once and then again the very next day. Sager mentioned a recent bus over-turn in Waiahole, saying there should be regulations for school vehicles to have seat belts, with Vines reporting that school buses and taxis are examples of vehicles that are not required to have seat belts. Chair Yanagihara commented on the good-fortune that none was seriously injured, with Sager saying he had been involved in serious incidents and believes in the necessity of seatbelts. Vines commented on the probable need to then have a bus monitor for the youth, saying that an additional adult would have to be on the bus for that purpose, and stressed the danger of un-padded metal bars within the vehicle. Jardin asked about graffiti punishment, with Vines saying the cases go to Family Court where he could not speak to possible penalties, with Chair Yanagihara offering that it might be a one year sentence, and an audience comment that a fine is also involved. Vines also reported that damages might require the repair by the court. Beatty asked about burglary responses, with Vines saying that the incidents are studied for patterns, with car parking areas watched and that the watchers are successful, since the incidents normally follow the patterns and unfortunately many times involve repeat offenders. Chair Yanagihara thanked Vines for his report.

Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH) – Lt. Binford Strickland represented MCBH and distributed a written report. He highlighted that airfield training flights were planned for the night hours for May 13 to May 15, 2008 and reported on activities, including the Hawaii Military Appreciation Month in May 2008, with a dinner by the Chamber of Commerce and the Pacific military bands playing at the Blaisdell on May 16, 2008 (reporting that the event is open to the public and encouraging attendance). He reported an internment of an Iraq-killed Marine on the U.S.S. Arizona (May 12, 2008) and the start of the RimPac multi-nation military exercise on June 10, 2008 (until July 29, 2008). Lum reported his attendance at the (April 1, 2008) Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) meeting on changing the transport planes located at Kaneohe (P-3s) and commented that the turnout was not very large, with Strickland saying that the closure of Aloha Airlines captured all the media attention and invited visits to the MCBH website to make any comments: www.mcbh.usmc.mil. Lum reported that the large C-17 sounds were not disturbing to him, with Strickland saying the smaller two engines on the P-3, not the four on many other planes, should be less noticeable, but welcomed feedback on noise, saying that the tower can tell planes to make tighter turns and thereby reduce sound. Chair Yanagihara thanked Strickland for his report.

Graffiti Cleanup Project – Malama 96744 Care for the Community – Jerry Jardin reported on the successful community participation in the *Malama 96744 Care for the Community* graffiti paint-out project held on April 14, 2008, reporting it being part of quarterly graffiti paint-outs, with this event having one hundred and twenty-two signed-up volunteers plus several groups who brought people with them. The painter groups involved included Castle High School, seniors, Hope Chapel, and Girl Scouts, with assistance from Chair Yanagihara and HPD (unit assisted with traffic along roadways), paint donations from the State and City and from Patty Yamashiro-Hironaka and Yamashiro Building Supply, and pizza from Boston's Pizza (next to Macy's), with Jardin thanking all the volunteers and donors for their support. He reported this as the third major paint-out event and encouraged participation – and donations – for the next event to be held in July 2008. He reported the effort as encouraging people to start taking care of their own property, to keep Kaneohe looking beautiful, and displayed pictures and distributed flyers. Ditch reported supporting the paint-out effort but asked about funding for items such as paint, asking if the City was providing; Jardin said the different agencies do provide, such as DOE giving paint for schools, City for parks, TheBus for bus sites and then matching whatever is at hand for trash cans, but agreeing with Chair Yanagihara that the need is to be also painting on private property. Chair Yanagihara thanked Jardin for the report and for his efforts on the project, and invited him to bring volunteers to the next meeting for thank you certificates from the Board.

PUBLIC INPUT & RESIDENTS' CONCERNS: There were no offered concerns.

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS:

Mayor's Representative – Chair Yanagihara announced that Rae Gee, Mayor Mufi Hannemann's representative, had an emergency and could not be present, and asked DeRego to present her written report. DeRego highlighted three issues:

1. The duck issue (a number of ducks are living along a stream next to a residence where they are continually causing messes and creating loud noises) has been discussed with the resident and she has exhausted all of her remedies with the City and she is working with the State Department of Health.
2. Kaneohe Library civic center parking lot construction was feared to result in runoff from grading, with the issue being investigated and Gee will have update details for Lum.
3. Suggest Park apparatus should be discussed with her to obtain more details.

DeRego also reported Gee's inclusion of a weekly road work listing. Chair Yanagihara thanked DeRego for the presentation.

Councilmember Barbara Marshall – Venus Acoba, from Council Chair Marshall's Office, reported that Marshall was off island, circulated a report highlighting the formation of a Council Commission on "clean water and natural lands" with an anticipated fund of \$3 million to \$5 million per year and reported a planned Kaneohe community meeting on May 27, 2008. Sager asked for Acoba to report on the status of and Marshall's position on Council Bill 07-379, which is to propose term limits for board members. Lum asked for budget funds to address the Kaneohe Library bridge, which he reported as not up to standards, and asked about the disposition of Bill 80, which was voted on 4 to 4, with Acoba saying anything on the Council vote would have to wait until the meeting as a Councilmember might change their mind. Chair Yanagihara reported that the bridge had been reviewed in the past and, although the rails were too low, reports had placed bridge work as a lower priority than other needs. Chair Yanagihara reported Acoba had followed up with the Honolulu Liquor Commission with Acoba reporting that the Liquor Commission will wait until the next incident to take action (believing no future concerts are planned) but Chair Yanagihara noted that they have not yet answered concerns about the extended permit. Chair Yanagihara thanked Acoba for her report.

Governor's Representative – Laura Thielen, Director of the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), represented Governor Linda Lingle and circulated a report on bee mites, explaining that the varroa mites attaches itself (and feeds on) the common ("western" or "European") honey bee, which causes bee population to decline and the resultant loss of bee pollination of crops. She explained that the mites are not currently on the Big Island, which continues to be able to sell queen bees to the mainland, something the other islands now cannot do. She gave an update from Lingle on legislative action to limit gubernatorial emergency powers, explaining that there is a concern over possible abuse but pointing out that emergency powers are needed in such cases as the dam breaking on Kauai, where the state took action on dam safety state-wide, and that therefore Thielen anticipates a gubernatorial veto. Thielen also reported state assistance to displaced Aloha / ATA Airlines employees, continued work on the Turtle Bay property, encouragement of wind energy technology on Maui, and legislative support sought to restore Washington Place (request for \$4.9 million). Thielen reported DLNR's Kaneohe Bay Regional Advisory Council is following up on Ahu o Laka issues, encouraging DLNR enforcement of boat safety, to start with education to such groups as the neighborhood boards, the Kaneohe Yacht Club and the Marines. She reported likely legislative cuts of \$1 million to the state parks out of the current parks funding of \$6 million.

Thielen reported following up on the closure discussed at last month's Board meeting of the State Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) Unemployment Insurance (UI) Kaneohe office, saying it was closing on April 21, 2008 but would maintain a presence with a part-time office at the Kaneohe Atrium Building, explaining that federal funds supporting the office had been reduced and the rent (of the old site) had been raised, saying the new office's clients would be handled by phone service, computer on-line applications, and two days-a-week coverage, with veterans to be handled on one day by appointment. Chair Yanagihara reported that he had checked the new site and it appeared to be a third of the original office, asking about the accommodation of the former job training function that had been performed at the original site; Thielen said the shared office of UI and Workforce Development Division (WDD) would continue, as well as the clients being able to contact the programs through the main town office. Chair Yanagihara said that DLIR Director Ching had said clients could go to the Honolulu or Waipahu area offices,

noting that there were now none on the Windward side, and expressed concern that the community's notice came through Senator Tokuda's office and not from DLIR (saying he did not know of the timeframe that Ching was working with), but said consideration seemed not to have been done for closure of the Honolulu office while keeping the Windward side open. Ditch reported that the foot traffic had been replaced with the higher technology and resource-required web and phone methods (and noted the phone numbers were not activated); Thielen said she would follow-up but noted DLIR reported a decrease in walk-in UIs to three per month.

Chair Yanagihara reported concern that the State Health Planning and Development Agency had provided short notice the option for the community to request a public hearing on a 22-bed treatment facility, explaining that his experience is that the community and the neighborhood board (with a monthly meeting schedule) need a longer time and explaining that he had individually made the request for a presentation without time for Board consideration. Chair Yanagihara also noted community concern about the media reports that the State Hospital allows the release of patients for church visits, saying that the public hearing would likely be at the Kaneohe District Park and inviting the community to check the Kaneohe Neighborhood Board blog site for the hearing date: <http://KaneoheNeighborhoodBoard.blogspot.com> Chair Yanagihara explained that since the application was under consideration that the consideration should involve public discussion.

Sager asked about parks budget, with Thielen saying the issue is past the legislative hearing stage but encouraged direct contact with legislators. An audience comment expressed concern about park funding, saying that tax breaks for volunteers should be considered, with Thielen saying the park funds used to be general funds but support was changed to a special fund, with adopt-a-park programs involved, although there are currently state park positions unfilled. Chair Yanagihara asked about Kaneohe State Parks, with Thielen reporting the Heeia Park is a state facility but saying that a state parks site is reached and used by all parts of the island. Chair Yanagihara said that area parks are mostly City, with Morris commenting on the City's Hoomaluhia Botanical Garden and Sager on the City's Kualoa Regional Park, and Sager saying that the State parks are a disgrace and should be better maintained for tourists. Ditch noted concerns about large facilities overloading the existing sewer system and encouraged a public hearing on the treatment facility, expressing concern about the notice provided, with Thielen explaining that the notice was provided to those within a certain radius of the property line, and Chair Yanagihara offering to Ditch that Thielen would be following up on the issue. Lum asked about plumbing within the Kahekili Highway beautification project in the central medial strip with Chair Yanagihara reporting that State Department of Transportation's (DOT) Scott Ishikawa had reported at a prior meeting that there would be plumbing there. Beatty asked if there was a danger with the \$6 million reduction to \$5 million, to which Thielen responded that rock overhang areas in sites such as Kahala and Diamond Head will likely be closed off as they will be difficult to repair without funding. Lum asked about the Pali Highway intersection area, explaining that the entrance/exit from the Hawaii Pacific University is a dangerous mix of pedestrians and vehicles, reporting prior comments of lights being too high, the need for revised crosswalk stripping, and a change in intersection and speed bumps, with Thielen saying the improvements have to be under federal roadway guidelines and that DOT had said that safety would not permit intersection traffic lights at that point. Sager also expressed concern at that location, relaying an experience of observing a driver on the wrong side of the road lanes, and reiterating need for engineers to review for motorists and pedestrians; Thielen said she would review the correspondence. Chair Yanagihara thanked Thielen for her report.

U.S. Representative Mazie Hirono – No representative present.

Senator Jill Tokuda – Kamakana Kimulua was present representing Senator Tokuda and reported Tokuda had talked with DLIR Director Ching about the Kaneohe UI office and Ching will review community needs, could be adjusting the hours (adding hours or days), and that the new site has a five-year lease, but that other services could be added. He reported that legislation is constantly changing with the ending of the legislative session at the end of the month and that a written report would be distributed at the next meeting. Chair Yanagihara asked about the status of bills relating to Neighborhood Boards, with Kimulua saying he would follow up. An audience question asked the location of the UI office, which was described as the

Atrium Building, which is across from the Koa Pancake House, with Chair Yanagihara thanking Kimulua for his report.

Senator Clayton Hee – Jeremy Personius was present to represent Senator Hee and distributed a community report, highlighting \$200,000 for Kaneohe Elementary School, as well as funding for the new Windward Community College Library (\$43 million) and Kahekili Highway contraflow lanes (Haiku to Hui Iwa) (\$2 million). He reported efforts continuing for Turtle Bay acquisition. Sager reported that the Castle High School cafeteria was critical, with Personius saying that some funds had been allocated but that he would report back on the exact amounts, with Chair Yanagihara saying the funding was in the budget the past year but was not released. Lum asked about Kahekili Highway beautification funding, with Personius saying that the funding was already there but that he would check if there were any additional funds needed. Beatty commented on the Turtle Bay development, saying that the project would dig up significant amounts of archeological sites and expressed the need to limit the project. Chair Yanagihara thanked Personius for his report.

Representative Ken Ito – No representative was present.

Representative Pono Chong – No representative was present.

COMMUNITY GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS:

Hope Chapel – No representative was present.

Hawaii Pacific University (HPU) – No representative was present:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Kaneohe Bay Concerts / Bay View Golf Course Noise Concerns (Honolulu Liquor Commission): Chair Yanagihara said the report had already been given.

Force Main Assessment: Chair Yanagihara reported no update at this time.

Morris left at 8:30 p.m.; eleven members present.

Windward Homeless Coalition: Shannon Woods was present to report the Coalition was going through an internal reorganization, had sponsored a recent holiday party at Benjamin Parker School and would be having a meeting on April 29, 2008 to define plans to bring back needed services. She said that plans include intent to have a presence at each of the regional Windward Neighborhood Board meetings, with the objectives of encouraging the expansion homeless services, development of emergency and transitional housing and seeking truly affordable housing. Woods invited contact for information to her cell at 224-4496 and suggested consideration of more formal representation from the Board to the Coalition, as well as from the Coalition to the Board. She reminded everyone of the need to deal with homeless, pointing out that they might be no longer visible in parks but that meant they were living in bushes. Beatty commented that the Kaneohe Post Office was a camping area, with Woods agreeing but saying that unless there is a serious problem or complaint, that the HPD will not harass them. Beatty described a housing site with seventeen people renting a single house with Woods pointing to the need for affordable workplace housing. Kanemori commented on the rising cost of living and the unlikelihood of solving affordability, with Woods agreeing the answer is not simple but long range. Sager volunteered to work with the Coalition, with Chair Yanagihara thanking Sager. Lum commended Woods for her efforts.

Kaneohe Neighborhood Board Blog: Chair Yanagihara asked Sager about the blog site, with Sager reporting the site <http://KaneoheNeighborhoodBoard.blogspot.com> has been updated, with concerns having been posted and reminding everyone that it is an open blog where all can discuss Kaneohe community

issues. Sager invited anyone with problems to contact him at: 375-1114 or to email him through the blog. Chair Yanagihara thanked Sager, noting he had worked alone on the project.

Hawaiian Memorial Park Expansion – DeRego reported that the next meeting of the Board’s task force on the Hawaiian Memorial Park Expansion would be on May 5, 2008 at this same building (Hale Akoakoa) in room 109, with the Draft EIS to be released soon, and that the Kaneohe Bay Regional Task Force had not taken up the issue. Chair Yanagihara thanked DeRego for his continued work on this project.

PRESENTATION

Campus Violence Presentation – Lea Albert, Complex-Area Superintendent for Castle-Kahuku-Windward District Office, Department of Education (DOE), was present and introduced Donna Lindsey, Acting Principal of King Intermediate School and Meredith Maeda, Castle High Principal, announcing that Maeda had just been honored as the Hawaii school principal of the year. Chair Yanagihara congratulated Maeda and thanked Lindsey for the school’s support of graffiti-busting at the King bus stop, as well as the excellent care of their grounds. Albert explained that the Complex’s object is good citizenship and that the schools are asking that the community join in supporting the schools, stressing that the value system does not support violence, either on or off campus. She said the desire is to increase awareness and have all the community, with clergy, with HPD, with the City, speaking as one voice in opposition to violence. Maeda reported any fight has the potential to cause injury and that causes include disagreements, thefts, drugs, but that an increasing concern is over staged fights, with intermediate students through adults participating, with the direction sometimes from adults. He expressed concern that the attitude of “that’s my kid’s right to punch back” leads to group mentality of acceptance of violence, which the schools are addressing through parent workshops, mediation, parents’ monitoring of computers – all with the desire to speak as one voice against violence. Albert and Lindsey discussed that fights seemed follow the pattern of one on campus and ten off, with the State Attorney General having advised the schools to not be involved in discipline of off-campus fights, which the students know, so there is a movement off the campus grounds. The concern of fights now is that many are being videotaped and some are reporting being paid to be participants, including some emulating martial arts fighters and wearing gloves like the ultimate fighting contests. The efforts include video production and seeking to establish peer pressure to reach youngsters. The concerns include that home garage training sites have been set up but that the regular martial arts groups are not the problem. The important tasks include finding the patterns and seeking the “middle men” on all aspects of the staged events. Sager commented that the martial arts emphasis is on values which include conducting yourself so that the result is not a fight, with Albert saying the concern is a youth club, not the teachers or instructors of martial arts. Lum said he believed the situation will worsen as values are not taught at school and the culture is for violence, with Albert saying the object is to not let it get worse. DeRego commented on restrictions in laws and regulations on DOE teachers, with Albert saying the DOE is reviewing the basic laws in Chapter 19. Maeda also said cyber-bullying is a concern, with the effort to learn how to address the problem. DeRego agreed that the need is to seek partnerships. Jardin commented on gang relationships to tagging, saying that gang signs are often the graffiti marks, with Maeda saying to photo tags, paint over, and call HPD so there can be a record of the pattern. Albert agreed that violence on the web paints a not-very-pretty view of the future. An audience comment was on a report to herself as a parent of a Castle campus shutdown, with her telling her boys to not hit back, but expressing concern of security to size of student body, and said that group fights have resulted in civil suits.

Jefferies left at 9:15 p.m.; eleven members present.

Maeda agreed that suits for damages are a possibility and reported having four security officers and one safety person for the 1,480 students. Chair Yanagihara thanked Albert, Lindsey, and Maeda for their efforts and their reports, saying that the Board will assist and would be posting on the Board’s blog.

Pu’uali’i Vegetative Screening – Sager reported that the Outdoor Circle would be meeting with the Pu’uali’i condominium association about possible screening options.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Legislative Committee – DeRego reported that the legislative bills were going to conference committee with the ending of the legislative session in sight.

Public Health & Safety – Flanigan noted the 22-bed facility application discussed earlier in the meeting, with Chair Yanagihara saying the notices would be posted on the Kaneohe Neighborhood Board's blog site at: <http://KaneoheNeighborhoodBoard.blogspot.com>.

Environmental Committee – Sager reported items of environmental concerns are posted on the blog site, and include: Coconut Island resource study on coral diseases, DLNR's Kaneohe Bay Regional Council report, discussion on scrap at Heeia Pier (from Coconut Island construction), Nature Conservancy interest in working with the Bay in addition to their normal land-based projects, and reports of citizens harvesting of coral and fish in Kaneohe Bay. He also reported concerns of vandalism in the Heeia Pier area at night and damages caused by wake violations.

Windward Civilian/Military Committee – Flanigan reported MCBH is posting job vacancies (for civilians) on their website.

OMPO Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) – Lum reported recent Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO) CAC meeting topics included second-access roadway for the Waianae Coast, a presentation on Oahu bikeways (with a proposal for \$1 million from the City budget for the Hawaii Bicycling League to provide education on bike safety), and discussion of private-public transportation partnerships.

Publicity Committee – Beatty reported reviewing the possibility of gavel-to-gavel coverage of Board meetings and said he would videotape a few more Board meetings before making a recommendation to the Board. Sager suggested the current videos could be broken up by subject and posted on the blog site, suggesting that 5 to 10 minute shot might be usable on the computer page.

Haiku Stairs Special Task Force – Chair Yanagihara noted Morris had left out and deferred any report.

Hawaii Memorial Park Committee – DeRego said he had already reported.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Yanagihara announced the next Agenda Planning & Committees' Meeting to be Tuesday, May 6, 2008 at the Kaneohe Community and Senior Center, the next Regular Meeting to be on Thursday, May 15, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. and the next meeting of the Hawaiian Memorial Park Standing Committee on Monday, May 5, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. Chair Yanagihara reminded everyone to check in at the Kaneohe Neighborhood Board blog: <http://KaneoheNeighborhoodBoard.blogspot.com>.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Yanagihara adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

Submitted by Elwin Spray, Neighborhood Commission Office staff

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<http://KaneoheNeighborhoodBoard.blogspot.com>