



KALIHI – PALAMA NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 15

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2015 KALIHI UNION CHURCH

CALL TO ORDER – Chair Daniel Holt called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. **Quorum was established with ten members present.** Note: This 13-member Board requires seven (7) members to establish quorum and to take official Board action.

Board Members Present – Theresa L. Cummings (arrived at 7:28 p.m.), Joe Dumayag, Tom Enos, Leo Gozar, Daniel Holt, Rodolfo Ibay (departed at 9:27 p.m.), Fetu Kolio, Roland Louie, Ryan Mandado (departed at 9:14 p.m.), Mar Velasco (departed the meeting at 9:31 p.m.), and Jonie Williams.

Board Members Absent – Cy Feng.

Guests – Fire Captian Stewart Williams (Honolulu Fire Department); Lieutenant Stephen Silva and Sergeant Lyle Fleck, District 1; Lieutenant Clyde Bueno and Sergeant Harry Burt, District 5 (Honolulu Police Department); Oryn Nakamura (Board of Water Supply); Sheri Kajiwara (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative); Shirley Ann Templo and Dennis Arakaki (Councilmember Joey Manahan's Office); BJ Ramos (Senate President Donna Mercado-Kim's Office); Representative Karl Rhoads; Representative Romy Cachola; Senator Glenn Wakai; Pat Lee (Honolulu Authority on Rail Transportation); Carole Kaapu (Neighborhood Board No. 14 Liliha); Nobu Nakamura (Kalihi Union Church); Al Carganila and Ronald Oyama (Farrington High School); Maria Smith, Rodney Nakashima, Mark Kamahele (Aikea Local 5); L. Gary Bautista (Kalakaua Lion's Club); Sheryl Aiwohi, Sandy Anderson, Michelle Tanigawa; Amanda Ybanez, Ailene Barranco; Ronald Higa, Cindy Aban, Donald Guerrero, and Boy Scouts of Kalihi (Residents); David Amodo (Videographer) and Neighborhood Assistant Neil Baarde (Neighborhood Commission Office).

Pledge of Allegiance – The Boy Scouts of Kalihi led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance. It was noted that they are the only Boy Scout Troop in Kalihi and that they meet every Friday at Kalihi Union Church. Boy Scouts are ages 10 to 18, while the Cub Scouts are ages 6 to 10 years old.

PUBLIC SAFETY INPUT

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Fire Captain Stewart Williams reported the following:

- **March 2015 Fire Statistics** – There were 23 fires, 124 medical emergencies, and 52 miscellaneous calls for service with no major incidents.
- **Fire Safety Tip – Smoke Alarms** – Smoke alarms are a very important part of fire safety in the home. Statistics show that working smoke alarms in homes can substantially reduce the risk of fire deaths in residential fires. Smoke alarms alert occupants of smoke and fire 24 hours a day. HFD would like to increase the public's awareness of the importance of smoke alarms and encourages everyone to install a smoke alarm in each bedroom, sleeping area, and on every level in the home. Families are also encouraged to install smoke alarms on behalf of senior family, friends, and neighbors. The HFD's Smoke Alarms For Everyone (SAFE) Program's purpose is to install free smoke alarms and educate residents on fire prevention and the importance of testing and maintaining the smoke alarms. Approximately 3,620 smoke alarms have been installed in more than 785 homes since the program's inception in October 2008. The HFD is planning another SAFE installation during the summer. Please contact the Community Relations Office at 723-7167 if interested in signing up.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed: **Leaking Transformer** – Dumayag thanked HFD for immediately fixing a transformer that was leaking on Kahana Street. Kolio raised a concern and asked who to call if oil or some hazardous materials are leaking. Captain Williams responded that the community should call 911 if there is anything hazardous to the community or to one's self. Captain Williams added that dispatch will call the proper agencies to help with the situation.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD), District 1 – Lieutenant Stephen Silva reported the following:

- March 2015 Crime Statistics – There were 8 burglaries, 7 thefts, 2 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMV), 8 assaults, 0 sex assault, 1 graffiti and 1 drug offense for a total of 408 calls for service.
- Burglary Prevention – According to the FBI, a burglary occurs somewhere in the United States every 15 seconds. Use a solid core or metal door for all entrance points. Make sure the sliding glass patio doors are secured with a second lock. Use highly visible alarm decals, beware of dog decals, or security. Make sure no one can reach through an open window to unlock the door. Be a good neighbor, if anyone sees someone or anything suspicious call 911.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) District 5 – Lieutenant Clyde Bueno reported the following:

- March 2015 Crime Statistics – There were 17 motor vehicle thefts, 18 burglaries, 83 thefts, and 15 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMV), for a total of 3,405 calls for service.
- Safe Driving Tip – Lieutenant Bueno asked the community to practice safe driving habits and not to be using any electronic devices while driving.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed:

1. Patrol of Kamali'i Street – Ibay raised a concern about young adults hanging out by the Bishop Garden gates around 1:00 a.m. and noted that they could be recruiting gang members or vandalizing property and asked if HPD can patrol the area. Lieutenant Bueno will follow up. Kolio asked and Lieutenant Bueno responded that there is a curfew of 10:00 p.m. for teenagers.
2. "Hot Spots" – A resident noted that around 10:00 p.m. in the Palama area, there are many different activities occurring and commented that it goes from Palama settlement to Houghtailing Street. Pohaku and School Street were also known to be hot spots. The resident asked HPD to patrol those areas more.
3. Staffing – Rodney Nakashima asked if HPD patrols more during the day or night. Lieutenant Bueno responded that the watches are staffed evenly and then divided. There are other courses that could affect a staff but it should be all even.

Without any objections, Chair Holt moved the agenda out of order to 6B. Youth Violence Task Group Update.

Youth Violence Task Group Update – Sheryl Aiwohi thanked HPD for their recent assistance and noted that this time, HPD was respectful and did not treat the victims like suspects. Aiwohi noted that she has seen progress being made in regards to the gang violence. Recently, there have been kids kicking in cars' side mirrors and trash cans along Gulick Avenue. Within the last two (2) weeks, there have been nine (9) incidents at Kamehameha Field. Aiwohi noted that she witnessed and stopped one (1) incident where her son was being called out by 30 or more guys that came out of nowhere. The kids then surrounded her truck when she grabbed her son to leave and it was noted that she threatened to call HPD if the kids touched her car. Aiwohi noted that a lot of the gang members are from housing and noted that her parents have been threatened by pipes and bats. Principal Al Carganila of Farrington High School noted that gang problems are rising but a lot of the times Farrington High School needs help from the community. The school needs the community's support and help because the fights can start anywhere and then finish in a different area. Carganila noted that the faculty of the school will meet with parents from Kuhio Park Terrace (KPT) and inform them of the gang issues. The fights used to start all over the island but now all fights are being held at Kamehameha Field. Farrington High School has been working closely with HPD but the parents need to get involved. Carganila noted that three (3) weeks ago many kids randomly appeared at Farrington High School where HPD had to get involved.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed:

1. Suspensions – Enos raised a concern about the gang members and asked if it was true that most of the football team are gang members. Carganila responded that there are more than 140 students on the football team and it would be hard for the school because they are not sure which student or what gang they belong to. Enos asked what the school's policies are when a gang related incident occurs. Carganila responded that Farrington High School has a code of conduct that is followed, and when it comes to the student who was involved, it depends on what the offense was. Suspensions can occur for one (1) to five (5) days for assault, up to 92 days for drugs, and up to a one (1) year suspension for bringing a firearm to school. Enos asked and Carganila responded that a few students have been reprimanded recently but no more information can be given due to confidentiality.
2. Programs – A resident asked in regards to the kids that get suspended for 92 days, if they will be required to do a program or stay home. Carganila responded that Adult Friend's for Youth (AFY) requested that the meeting be held and noted that it is possible that some students bring other gang members, and

commented that all suspensions have referrals to different programs and they have to still do their homework which is the alternative, to be in the learning center with a teacher and security.

Cummings arrived at 7:28 p.m.; 11 members present.

3. Communication – Sandy Anderson noted that before she pulled her kids out of Farrington High School, a football player beat up her son and still played in the championship game a few days later. Anderson noted that a student named Dave Ortiz was beat up at the movie theaters, had a few concussions and was still able to play in the same championship game. It was noted that Carganila did not do much when he heard about the news. Anderson noted that more than half of the football team are in KPT and in the gang. A resident raised a concern about the school not communicating with the parents and asked how the programs are helping the students' victims. Carganila responded that mediation is not really effective and noted that the gang culture is bigger to them than the community realizes and noted that is why these kids need the community's help.
4. Campus Security – Kolio asked if campus security gets involved with any of the situations at school. Carganila responded that the security staff does try to stop situations before they get out of hand. Aiwohi noted that some of the school's campus security are related to some of the boys that start trouble and then stop it when they see teachers coming or things are getting out of hand. Carganila responded that the school has no idea, and asked for parents and the community's help to inform him directly, so he can handle the situation correctly. Anderson suggested threatening the gang members with no prom, no football, or no events in general. A resident noted that 90% of the time, fights are caused or carried out because of social media and pride from their part of the island.
5. Task Force Update – Dennis Arakaki reported that some of the parents have decided that an organized meeting run by the parents was a better idea and commented that the task force has met five (5) times and have come up with a few solutions but there has recently been a bigger issue that needs to be solved. Carganila invited all the parents to call the school or him directly if they would like to hold a similar meeting where everyone can talk about their issues because the staff and faculty will be willing to meet.
6. AFY Grant – Representative Rhoads noted that he, Representative Cachola, and Representative Mizuno tried to address the issue but the bill died, but the AFY grant was approved and a memo was written to the committee to ask them to push the grant through. Chair Holt noted that the director of KPT housing noted at the task force meeting that they will be upgrading their security and will be willing to evict families out of their housing.
7. Farrington High School Construction Updates – Carganila announced that Farrington High School will be undergoing some construction and noted that the stadium is underway and will finish March 2016, and the auditorium will finish their construction January 2016. Graduation will be held in the gym until the stadium and auditorium is finished.

Chair Holt resumed the order of the agenda with 2 C. Board of Water Supply.

Board of Water Supply (BWS) – Oryn Nakamura reported the following:

- Water Main Breaks – There were four (4) water main breaks in March 2015:
 - March 1, 2015 – There was a 12" water main break at 22 North Vineyard Boulevard.
 - March 18, 2015 – There was a 6" water main break at 1029 Houghtailing Street.
 - March 25, 2015 – There was an 8" water main break at 1101 North King Street.
 - March 31, 2015 – There was a main break at the intersection of Kalihi Street and Bernice Street.
- Free Educational Materials for Keiki – In support of the Neighborhood Commission Office's "Community Keiki" month in April, the BWS is offering educational materials for the island youth and other community organizations to learn about Oahu's precious water resources. Publications include:
 - Activity and Coloring Books
 - Water Conservation Flyers
 - Watershed Protection handouts
 - Water for Life booklet.

These educational materials are available for free online at www.boardofwatersupply.com or for pick up at the BWS headquarters at 630 South Beretania Street. To arrange for pickup or more information contact the BWS Communication Office at 748-5041.

- Update on Red Hill Storage Tank Leak – The BWS, State Department of Health, and other agencies will be participating in a Town Hall Meeting to provide residents with an update on leak mitigation actions regarding fuel storage tanks at Red Hill. The Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 16, 2015 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Pearl Ridge Elementary School Cafeteria. The community has been invited to attend.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed: Education Materials – A resident asked if Nakamura can bring the education materials to the next meeting. Nakamura will follow up.

RESIDENTS'/COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Taking a Stand – Enos noted that the school needs to take a firm stand and tell the students that bullying and being associated with gangs will no longer be tolerated if the student would like to participate in or play sports.

Public Housing Authority – Kolio asked if the Board can bring a representative from the public housing authority to the next meeting to discuss the issues. Chair Holt responded to contact the Hawaii Housing Authority to see if a representative can attend the next meeting.

CITY ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative – Director Sheri Kajiwarra reported the following:

- City Newsletter – Director Kajiwarra announced that the City is in the season of budget, and on the City Newsletter the community can see the Mayor's main focuses. The Mayor is also planning to re-shape Ala Moana Park. Director Kajiwarra announced that the plan for Ala Moana Park can be found at www.ouralamoanapark.com.
- Parks – Fern Community Park recreation building roof improvements, the project went to bid using current year construction funds.
- 88th Lei Day Celebration – The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) will be accepting entries at the Lei Receiving booth at Queen Kapiolani Park on Friday, May 1, 2015, from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. There are different classes based on age group for judging.
- Summer Fun Registration – The program period will be from Friday, June 12, 2015 to Friday, July 24, 2015. Registration is due for Districts 3 and 4 on Saturday, May 9, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. noon; Monday and Tuesday, May 11 and May 12, 2015 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. For Districts 1 and 2 registration will be on Saturday, May 16, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. noon; Monday and Tuesday, May 18 and May 19, 2015, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information visit: www.honoluluparks.com.
- "Sew a Lei" for Memorial Day – The Mayor's Office of Culture and Arts (MOCA) are now accepting donations of ti leaves and MOCA has a goal of 1,000 La'i Lei's. Collections begin on Wednesday, April 1, 2015 and will end on Monday, May 18, 2015. Please drop off the donations to the MOCA office on the 2nd floor of Mission Memorial Building (MMB).
- Age Friendly Cities Action Plan – The City has been engaged in an effort called Honolulu's Age-Friendly City Initiative. The effort is supported by Mayor Kirk Caldwell and AARP Hawaii, as well as the leadership and input from a Steering Committee and a Citizens Advisory Committee of over 80 representatives from public and private sectors. Find the Action Plan at www.kupunatokeiki.com.
- Project Graduation Grants – There is one (1) month left to apply for Project Graduation Grants from HPD. Project Grad celebrations are adult-supervised, alcohol and drug free. The event is held for high school seniors on their graduation night. HPD supports healthy, safe choices for young people and will provide up to \$1,500 to pay for ground transportation expenses associated with Project Grad events. For more information, please visit www.honolulupd.org. The deadline to apply is Friday, May 1, 2015.
- School Street and Houghtailing Street Canal – The Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) is evaluating the safety hazard on a need for fencing and will install if fencing is warranted. DFM did not find any homeless in the area. If anyone notices vagrants in the area, they should call HPD.
- Canal Water Monitoring – The Department of Environmental Services (ENV) Storm Water Quality Branch does conduct periodic water quality monitoring in streams and the City's storm drains, in accordance to its permit requirements. Water quality monitoring data targeting known homeless areas is currently not being done.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed:

1. Free Wi-Fi on TheBus – Mandado asked if it would be possible to have free Wi-Fi on City Buses. Kajiwara will follow up.
2. “No Camping” Signs – Enos noted that “No Camping” signs were put up along the canal and asked if anything happened to the homeless that used to live there. Kajiwara responded that she is not aware of anything but commented that DFM sometimes does random sweeps, so the homeless may have moved.

Councilmember Joey Manahan – Shirley Templo and Dennis Arakaki distributed Councilmember Manahan's newsletter and reported the following:

- Resolution 15-79, CD1 – The Resolution would require HART to voluntarily meet regularly with City and State leaders to provide and report on rail construction, financial, revenue, and budgetary updates.
- Rehabilitation of Localized Streets, Phase 12A – City crews are gearing up to do major road work in Kalihi, Kalihi Valley, Kamehameha Heights, and Alewa Heights, which is scheduled to begin Monday, April 6, 2015. City Council appropriated \$8,585,585 for the project, which is scheduled to be completed before the end of 2015. The project includes cold planning, crack sealing, asphalt berm installation, reconstruction and resurfacing of the asphalt roadway, tree mitigation, adjustment of utilities to finish grade, and installation of permanent pavement markings and vehicle loop sensors. The project schedule will be Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- Chinatown Clean Up – There will be a Chinatown clean up on Saturday, April 25, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Volunteers will meet and help clean up Aala Park, College Walk, and Sun Yat Sen Mall.
- Kapalama Canal – Arakaki reported that Councilmember Manahan is leading the effort in putting fences up along the canal on Kohu Street and Kokea Street. Once the fence is up, it will be illegal for anyone to use the fence as a base to build a temporary structure. Arakaki commented that the water is already polluted and reminded the community to not go into the water or use the water. The City is trying to designate the area as a park so it will be illegal for anyone to camp in the area.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed: Fencing – Nakashima asked and Arakaki responded that everything Makai of Dillingham Boulevard was not in the budget, so will not have fencing on that side of Dillingham Boulevard.

STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS

Governor David Ige's Representative – No representative was present; no report was available.

Senate President Senator Donna Mercado Kim – BJ Ramos reported the following:

- Crossover – Ramos noted that the second crossover will be on Thursday, April 16, 2015. The Senate recently passed 135 Bills while the House passed 146 Bills. After crossover the Bills will go to conference and then will go to the Governor.
- Community Improvement Project (CIP) – Kalihi Uka Elementary School has been given \$20,000 for the installation of new ceiling fans. Fern Elementary has been given \$136,000 for installation and design of a new walkway.
- Red Hill – The Red Hill Fuel Tank Storage task force confirmed that the danger to our water system is near but the issue will be discussed at the Town Hall Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Pearlridge Elementary School.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed: Keehi Lagoon – Chair Holt asked if Senate President Kim can make a report on the Keehi Lagoon spill. Ramos noted the concern and will follow up.

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland – No representative was present; an information packet was made available.

Without any objections, Chair Holt took the agenda out of order to Senator Glenn Wakai.

Senator Glenn Wakai – Senator Glenn Wakai distributed his newsletter and highlighted the following:

- Session – Senator Wakai noted that they are in the fourth quarter of the legislative session and commented that 280 Bills are still alive.
- Farrington High School Improvements – Governor Ige released \$2,000,000 in Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) funds to Farrington High School for the other projects.

- Gang Violence – Escalating gang activity in and around Kamehameha Homes was the focus of a community meeting last week, where area lawmakers, non-profit organizations and residents, shared their comments with the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA). The Governor also released \$135,000 to Hawaii Friends for Youth to support their efforts in reducing gang activity.
- Blood Bank – Senator Wakai is working with various government agencies to explore the possibility of purchasing, or land swapping for the 28,000 square foot parcel, valued at about \$4 million.

Chair Holt resumed the order of the agenda to 5 D. Representative Karl Rhoads.

Representative Karl Rhoads – Representative Rhoads reported the following:

- Beretania Street – A complaint was received regarding the tents along the Beretania Street side of Aala Park. The issue had been forwarded to DFM and HPD. The Institute of Human Services (IHS) was already aware of the situation.
- Loi Kalo Mini Park – A request was made to have the maintenance crew do a better job of weed whacking at Loi Kalo Mini Park. The issue had been forwarded to the City.
- Aala Park – A request was received to have a dog park at Aala Park. The request has been forwarded to the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR).
- Capital Improvement Projects (CIP)
 - \$750,000 for the installation of a signalized crosswalk on Kalihi Street between Ashford Street and Kahanu Street.
 - \$180,000 for Phase 2 of the construction of campus waterlines along Kalihi Street at Kalakaua Middle School.
 - \$250,000 for the installation of ceiling fans in various middle buildings at Kalakaua Middle School.
 - \$60,000 for drain improvements and \$50,000 for carpentry repairs at Kalihi Kai Elementary School.
 - \$50,000 for the replacement of carpets in Buildings F1-F4 at Kapalama Elementary School.
 - \$270,000 for Phase 2 of the renovation of restrooms, \$13,000 for the upgrade of fire alarms, and \$30,000 for the re-roofing of various buildings at Puuhale Elementary School.

Representative Romy Cachola – Representative Cachola reported the following:

- Rail – There are two (2) Bills from the House and Senate about the increase of the General Excise Tax (GET) to 2027. The City should show how to cut expenses, such as, cutting back on the first 20 mile segment because the most expensive part of rail will be from the stadium to Ala Moana.
- Representative Cachola urged the Board to introduce a resolution to move Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) again, but this time include the Boards opposition to the City and County and oppose contaminated soil.
- Health Unfunded Liability – The most important Bill is House Bill (HB) 1356 which addresses the Health Unfunded Liability. It is very important that it passes because it will reduce the taxpayer burden for health benefits managed by the government for its employees, retirees, and other dependents.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed: OCCC Site – Enos raised a concern and asked Representative Cachola to put effort in Laumaka Work Furlough Center because the same thing is occurring at OCCC. Representative Cachola responded that if Legislation can move OCCC, he senses it will be better because of all the different options in the community. A resident raised a concern about the OCCC Site and noted that if a hotel would be possible, ask Local 5 or other group to be employees. Representative Cachola responded that no considerations have been made yet because the project is still in the planning phases.

UNFINISHED/ON-GOING BUSINESS

Honolulu Rail Transit Project (HRTTP) – Pat Lee reported the following:

- Rail System – For public transportation in the United States, 2014 was a record-setting year. Americans took almost 11 billion trips on their buses, trains and trolleys, the highest public transportation ridership in 58 years. The American Public Transportation Association (APTA) annually publishes ridership data collected from transit agencies all across the country. The figures show an increase nationally of 3.3 percent for ridership on grade-separated rail systems, which include both elevated rail and subways. Some of the cities with grade-separated systems that showed increased ridership over 2013 were Miami, New York, San Francisco and Atlanta. Boston and Chicago also reported increased ridership on their rail systems. When completed, Honolulu's rail system will provide a reliable alternative to driving

and help develop livable communities, where people can walk, ride transit, and are less dependent on the automobile for mobility. From downtown Honolulu to the airport, the trip would take only 12 minutes; from Kalihi to Ala Moana Shopping Center takes 10 minutes, and the entire length of the line, from the Kroc Center in East Kapolei to the Ala Moana Center would only take 42 minutes.

- Construction Highlights – There are more than 150 columns erected, more than 205 foundations, more than 2,400 segments cast, more than 100 spans completed, and over two (2) miles of guideway completed.
- Safety – For the safety of the crews and the travelling public, HART advises H-1 motorists to continue looking "ahead, not overhead" when driving through the construction area. Rail guideway work crossing the H-1 Freeway is scheduled to run until 2016. For traffic updates, meeting notices and more information, please visit the website www.honolulutransit.org, call the project hotline at 566-2299 or email a question at info@honolulutransit.org.

PRESENTATIONS

The Canvas – High School students Tiffany and Isabelle announced that there is not many safe places for high school students to go after school and noted that they wanted to open a space that is run and for High School students. The Canvas is located on Kamehameha Highway and Dillingham Boulevard across from OCCC. The canvas holds many activities and the space is open only to current high school students. The Canvas is open Tuesday through Thursday, 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Adult Volunteers are on staff as well as a few staff members from Farrington High School. The Canvas is free and offers Wi-Fi, tutors, and they are trying to get SAT preparation courses as well. The Canvas has a huge suggestion board where students can post their suggestions or concerns. On Sunday, April 26, 2015, the Canvas will be hosting their "Showcase" where students will be displaying their talents, and after K Sounds will perform. For more information, visit their website at: www.thecanvashi.org.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed: General Information – Chair Holt noted that the Canvas is an amazing idea that will help students get off the street. A resident commented that the two (2) girls made more sense than most officials. Chair Holt asked how many students The Canvas can take care of. Isabelle responded they can hold up to 50 people but are only helping three (3) to 20 people depending on the day. Tanigawa asked and Tiffany responded that there are two (2) adults on staff, but they need more. There are not requirements and they screen volunteers with a simple background check. Tiffany noted that The Canvas started as an idea, brought to their counselor, and then the community supported their idea. Now, the Canvas is a 501c3 non-profit program, where their culture mostly comes from the Kalihi Community.

Mandado departed the meeting at 9:14 p.m.; 10 members present.

New Hope Church, Oahu – Taeyong Kim, the planning consultant, announced that they are hoping to establish deeper roots within the community and noted they would like to build a parking structure to help alleviate the parking situation in the area. They currently hold five (5) services with an average of 750 attendees. There are three (3) services on Sundays and it was noted that the improvements probably will not increase attendance but should help with the current traffic and parking issues. In addition to the structure, 234 additional stalls will be placed. The traffic study compared to the existing traffic should not change with the addition of the structure. Kim noted that they still need to go through several community inputs, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), and a Council hearing. Pastor John Tillman noted that their youth programs include the canoe club that is for ages 10-18. Currently on Fridays and Saturdays, New Hope Church serves 300 youths and have several youth programs which include a performing arts center. The new project consists of a parking lot, auditorium, and an area for cutting traffic flow while they serve the community. Pastor Tillman noted that they will continue to serve the community by holding counseling sessions and group clean ups, which included Pro Bowl Weekend, where they cleaned all the pillars with graffiti so that the visitors would not see any of the graffiti marks when they come to enjoy the State.

Ibay departed the meeting at 9:27 p.m.; Nine (9) members present.

Fuel Tank Spill and Keehi Lagoon Update – No representative was present; no report was provided.

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 18, 2015 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – Louie moved and Cummings seconded that the Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board No. 15 approve the March 18, 2015 regular meeting

minutes as amended. The motion was UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED, 9-0-0 (AYE: Cummings, Dumayag, Enos, Gozar, Holt, Kolio, Louie, Velasco, and Williams.)

Velasco departed the meeting at 9:30 p.m.; Eight (8) members present.

OTHER REPORTS

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Cummings reported that \$68.16 was spent in March 2015, leaving a remaining balance of \$206.11. The report was filed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Kalakaua Gym – Arakaki announced that on Saturday, April 18, 2015, there will be a basketball clinic at Kalakaua Gym and a celebration to honor the OIA basketball team starting at 8:30 a.m..
- Next Meeting – The next Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board No. 15 meeting will be on Wednesday, May 20, 2015, 7:00 p.m., at the Kalihi Union Church, 2214 North King Street.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Submitted by: Neil Baarde, Neighborhood Assistant
Reviewed by: Nola J. Frank, Neighborhood Assistant
Reviewed and Finalized by: Chair Daniel Holt