

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY  
HELD AT 1002 N. SCHOOL STREET, BUILDING E,  
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96817  
ON THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2011  
IN THE COUNTY OF HONOLULU, STATE OF HAWAII

The Board of Directors of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority, met for their Annual Meeting at 1002 N. School Street, on Thursday, July 21, 2011 at 9:07 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Thompson and, on roll call, those present and absent were as follows:

**PRESENT:** Director Travis Thompson, Chairperson  
Director Jason Espero  
Director Roger Godfrey  
Director Trevor Tokishi  
Director George Yokoyama  
Director Matilda Yoshioka

Executive Director, Denise Wise  
Deputy Attorney General, Jennifer Sugita

**EXCUSED** Director David Gierlach  
Director Patricia McManaman  
Director Debbie Shimizu

**STAFF PRESENT:** Clarence Allen, Fiscal Officer  
Barbara Arashiro, Executive Assistant  
Shirley Befitel, Personnel Supervisor  
Nicholas Birck, Housing Planner  
Becky Choi, State Housing Development Administrator  
Stephanie Fo, Property Management and Maintenance  
Services Branch Chief  
Gianna Guitron, Resident Services Program Specialist  
Diane Johns, Property Management Specialist  
Kiriko Oishi, Housing Compliance and Evaluation Specialist  
Phyllis Ono, Property Management Specialist  
Rick Sogawa, Contracts and Procurement Officer  
Dionicia Piiohia, Secretary to the Board

**OTHERS:** Carl Aknoe, Citizen  
Michi Chang, Kalakaua Homes Resident  
Tim Garry, Private Resident

Victor ~~Giminiani~~, Lawyers for Equal Justice  
Ava Goldman, Michaels Development Corp.  
Desiree Kihano, Palolo Valley Homes Resident  
Reverend Tinpo Lai, Reverend/Translator  
Lenny Lee, Kalakaua Homes Resident  
Makani Maeva, Vitus Group  
Monika Mordasini, Michaels Development Corp.  
Roy Nakamura, Kalakaua Homes Resident  
~~Wilfred Tungee~~, Dept. of Human Services

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Wilfredo Tungol**

**Proceedings:**

Chairperson Thompson declared a quorum present. Mr. Roy Nakamura of Kalakaua Homes requested the meeting be filmed. Chairperson Thompson asked the Director's present if they would allow the filming of the meeting. Chairperson Thompson then asked for a motion to allow videotaping of the Annual Meeting.

**Director Yoshioka moved and Director Godfrey seconded.**

The motion was unanimously carried.

**Public Testimony:**

Chairperson Thompson stated that no one signed up to give public testimony.

**Election of Board Officers:**

Chairperson Thompson opened the nominations for:

**Chairperson**

Director Espero nominated Director David Gierlach, and Director Godfrey nominated Director Travis Thompson. No further nominations were made and Chairperson Thompson closed the nominations.

Director Tokishi asked if there was a job description for the Chairperson and what the time requirement was. Deputy Attorney General Jennifer Sugita read the duties of the Chairperson as stated in the By-laws. Chairperson Thompson stated that in his experience as Chair, he spends approximately 50 hours a month on agency business. With no further questions Chairperson Thompson called for a vote of the Chairperson.

There were four (4) votes cast for Director Gierlach and two (2) votes cast for Director Thompson. As stated in the By-laws a minimum of six (6) votes is needed to be elected to a office. There being not enough votes cast for either nominee, the election for the Chairperson will be deferred to the next meeting and the current Chairperson will preside over the Annual Meeting and the Regular Board Meeting. Chairperson Thompson stated that he will not be present for the next meeting.

**Vice Chairperson**

Director Espero nominated Director Matilda Yoshioka for the Vice Chairperson. With no further nominations Chairperson Thompson closed the nomination and called for the vote.

**Director Yoshioka accepted the nomination and was unanimously elected as Vice Chairperson.**

**Secretary**

Director Tokishi nominated Director Jason Espero for Secretary. With no further nominations Chairperson Thompson closed the nomination and called for the vote.

**Director Espero accepted the nomination and was unanimously elected as Secretary.**

There were no further business to discuss, Chairperson Thompson asked for a motion to adjourn the Annual Meeting.

**Director Yoshioka moved and Director Espero seconded.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

**MINUTES CERTIFICATION**

Minutes Prepared by:

  
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Dionicia Piiohia  
Secretary to the Board/Recording Secretary

**AUG 18 2011**  
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Date

Approved by the HPHA Board of Directors at their Regular Meeting on August 18, 2011.

  
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Jason Espero  
Director/Board Secretary

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Date