

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches
199th Aha Pae'āina
Annual Virtual Meeting

AGENDA
June 15, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER @ _____ B. Matsuyama
2. OPENING PULE/OHANA/LULU* N. Andrade
(* Please make checks payable to SCHCC)
(Mail to: Frank Mulec, P.O.B 1065, Pahoā HI 96778-1065)
3. ROLL CALL / QUORUM: Yes___/ No___ K. Alika
Member Churches: _____ Partnerships: _____
4. GREETINGS B. Matsuyama
5. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA B. Matsuyama
 - 5.1.
 - 5.2.
 - 5.3.
6. 2019 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES K. Alika
October 5, 2020
7. FINANCIAL REPORT F. Mulec
 - 7.1. Annual Treasurer's Report
 - 7.3. Other
 - 7.3.1. Kokua Mau
 - 7.3.2. Makeke
8. CONFERENCE STAFF/SCHCC OFFICER'S REPORT
 - 8.1 Conference Minister D. Popham
 - 8.2 Advisor S. Matsuyama
 - 8.3 President B. Matsuyama

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 9.1. Repair & Maintenance L. Motas
- 9.2. Kahu Richard Wong Endowment A. Trout
- 9.3. William Kahuakai Keliihoomalu Scholarship S. Matsuyama
- 9.4. Katherine and Clay Wery Fund B. Matsuyama
- 9.5. AHEC – 5E’s Program B. Matsuyama
- 9.6. Nomination S. Matsuyama

10. ISLAND COUNCIL REPORTS

- 10.1. Kauai Council H. Pacheco
- 10.2. Oahu Council K. Hess
- 10.3. Topside Council U. Sai
- 10.4. Maui Council A. Trout
- 10.5. WH Council S. Matsuyama
- 10.6. EH Council C. Malani Jr

11. PARTNERSHIP REPORTS

- 11.1. PU’A Foundation T. Bissen
- 11.2. AHEC K. Carmelo

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 12.1. Addendum – Celebrating Advocacy Book
- 12.2. 501c3
- 12.3. Election Update
- 12.4.

13. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

- 13.1. Proposed Budget 2021 - 2022

- 13.3.

14. REFLECTION / CONCERNS

- 14.1.
- 14.2.

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 15.1. FY 21/22, Proposed Meeting Dates: 7/31/21, @ 11am,
10/30/21, 1/29/22, 4/30/22
- 15.2.
- 15.3.

16. ADJOURNMENT @ _____ / _____

17. CLOSING PULE

S. Masilamoney

State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches (SCHCC)

SCHCC Annual Meeting
Monday, October 5, 2020
Zoom

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Boyd Matsuyama, President.

‘OHANA TIME Aileen Trout, President of the Maui Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches, led the *‘Ohana* Time.

The scripture readings were drawn from Matthew 6:14-15 and Ephesians 4:31-32. Aileen noted that both speak to the need for “forgiveness and reconciliation.” She reminded everyone that events were held in September celebrating the birthday of Lili‘uokalani and pointed out that it would be while the Queen was under “house arrest” at ‘Iolani Palace that she would go on to write what we now know as the “Queen’s Prayer.”

It was in 1893 that the Hawaiian nation was overthrown with the assistance of U.S. military forces. A century later, in 1993, the United Church of Christ issued a public apology for the church’s complicity in the overthrow. Redress and reparations were made including \$1.25 million for the establishment of a non-geographical association of Hawaiian churches that existed during the time of the overthrow and that still exist today.

In addition, each member church was provided with a grant of \$33,000 each. Another \$1 million was provided for the establishment of what has become known as the Pū‘ā Foundation, a foundation whose work is based in the wider community.

ROLL CALL/
QUORUM
(Appendix A) Delegates from 26 of the 46 member churches or a majority were present and constituted a quorum.

AGENDA The Proposed Agenda was then approved by consensus.

GREETINGS Boyd offered a word of welcome to all delegates, visitors and staff persons.

MINUTES

A. SCHCC Annual Meeting – June 5, 2019 (*Appendix B*)

The SCHCC Annual Meeting minutes of June 5, 2019 were reviewed. The minutes of June 5, 2019 were approved by consensus.

FINANCIAL
REPORTS

A. Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (*Appendix C*)

Attention was called to the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Discussion followed.

Following a brief discussion, it was agreed by consensus to ratify the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Motion passed.

B. Annual Treasurer's Report FY 2019-2020 (*Appendix D*)

The total income for 2019-2020 was \$8,629.41 and the total expenses was \$6,665.12. The ending balance as of June 30, 2020 was \$16,872.74.

C. *Kōkua Mau* (*Appendix E*)

Funds available through *Kōkua Mau* included the following:

- Fund for Repair & Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches (\$40,000)
- *Kahu* Richard W. Wong Endowment Fund (\$7,000)
- William Kahuaka'i Keli'iho'omalua Scholarship Fund (\$4,500)
- Katherine & Clay Wery Fund (\$2,500)

It was noted that Wong and Keli'iho'omalua Funds continue to be under the custodial care of the State Council. The Wery Fund was designated to the State Council by the Hawai'i Conference for dispensation.

D. *Makēkē* (*Appendix F*)

Gifts totaling \$350 was received from Helani, Haili, and Kahikolu churches. The budgeted amount was \$2,100.

COMMITTEE
REPORTS

A. Repair & Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches - Aletha Kaohi (*Appendix G*)

Attention as called to the report. An update of the churches that were awarded funds was highlighted. The timeline for the completion of the projects was extended through 2021 because of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Auntie Aletha reminded everyone that churches submitting applications must be current in their dues.

B. *Kahu* Richard W. Wong Endowment Fund – Aileen Trout (*Appendix G*)

No applications were received in 2019. Aileen shared examples of the kinds of programs that were supported by the fund.

A copy of the application form was included in the SCHCC annual report booklet.

C. William K. Keli'iho'omalua Scholarship Fund (*Appendix H*)

D. Katherine & Clay Wery Fund – Stanley Lum (*Appendix I*)

Uncle Stanley reminded everyone about the background of the Wery Fund. He said, "The gift for the Wery Fund was given to the Hawai'i Conference for oversight. The conference was responsible for designating an agent to administer the fund, subject to oversight by the Conference Minister and always in conjunction with the State Council.

A grant of \$2,500 has already been approved for the current year for the proposal for a "Teen Suicide" program on Moloka'i. The request was received from Uluwehi Sai.

Uluwehi noted that the "team" was in a planning process through a partnership with the Kamehameha Schools. "Everything was brought to a halt because of COVID-19." She added that Lili'uokalani Children's Trust is now taking the lead. The same people remain involved.

Boyd pointed out that the Wery Fund includes a corpus that is not to be used. Instead the funds provided for the development of programs by the island councils will be drawn from the interest generated by the gift.

Naleen Andrade added that she was *hānai* by the family and that it was Katherine Wery's intent that the gift be used to support the development of programs for small membership Hawaiian churches.

D. AHEC – 5E's Program – Boyd Matsuyama (*Appendix J*)

Boyd announced that current members on the committee include: Haunani Pacheco (Kaua'i); Ka'iulani Hess (O'ahu); Earlene Iaea (Moloka'i); Frank Mulec (East Hawai'i); Sharon Matsuyama (East Hawai'i) and Aileen Trout (Maui).

E. Nomination Committee – Sharon Matsuyama (*Appendix K*)

Upon the recommendation of the Nomination Committee, action was taken on the following motion by the SCHCC Executive Committee and Board of Directors: "Due to non-receipt of candidates' names for the election of officers for the SCHCC, the SCHCC Executive Committee recommends, with approval by its Board of Directions, that the current President be given the authority to fill any vacancy in the Officer positions, for an interim period, until a special election is scheduled for June 2021 at the next 'Aha Iki.'" The motion was passed.

Delegates were invited and action was taken to ratify the recommendation.

ISLAND
COUNCIL
REPORTS

A. Kaua'i Council – Haunani Pacheco (*Appendix L*)

Haunani said that most of the churches have "adapted to holding online virtual services. Some have held in-person services.

She noted that some churches like Wai'oli Hui'ia in Hanalei are dependent on tourism. The church received support for the repair of its parsonage, social hall and church sanctuary following the flood of 2017. Work continues on the sanctuary.

Kahu Eric Lucy was called to serve as pastor in August 2019. He is originally from San Clemente, California and previously served as a missionary in Mexico.

B. O'ahu Council – Kai'ulani Hess (*Appendix M*)

The report is on file.

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C. Moloka'i-Topside Council – Uluwehi Sai

Uluwehi pointed out that the report for the Kaua'i Council is the report for the first quarter of 2020. Boyd request that an annual report be submitted. It will then be forwarded to all of the delegates.

She mentioned that Pualani Akaka is the Chair of the Council and Earlene laea serves as Secretary. The Rev. Janice Ogoshi was called to serve the Topside churches. She began her ministry in September 2020.

D. Maui Council – Aileen Trout (*Appendix N*)

The report is on file. She provided an update on several things. Keolahou Congregational Hawaiian Church continues to call pulpit supply pastors. They are in a search process for a new pastor.

The Rev. Scott Landis has been called as the Interim Pastor at Keawala'i Congregational Church. Olowalu continues its efforts to construct a new sanctuary.

Ka'ahumanu continues its own commitment to repair its church building. Punānā Leo O Maui is set to reopen in the church's social hall following the recent lockdown due the COVID-19 pandemic.

Uncle Jimmy 'A'arona continues to serve as pulpit supply at Kaulanpueo, Kalanikahua Hou and Nāhiku Churches.

Pā'ia is doing well.

Waiola has undergone its challenges as a result of the pandemic. The loss of income has made it no longer possible for the church to provide *Kahu* Meg Watson with an adequate salary package. She left Waiola in April.

Kanu 'Ānela Rosa has agreed, again, to serve as the licensed pastor.

Aileen reported that a new parsonage is now on the church property at Lāhuoikalani.

E. East Hawai'i Council – Frank Mulec (*Appendix O*)

The report is on file.

F. West Hawai'i – Sharon Matsuyama (*Appendix P*)

The roof at Hau'oli Kamana'o in Miloli'I has been repaired but other work has been delayed. Virtual services are being held.

The village experienced a recent COVID-19 scare. The Moderator was diagnosed with the coronavirus.

Kahu Debbie Wong Yuen added that because the church has a large lawn and sidewalk area, a decision was made to hold weekly drive-in services. Cars are parked facing the sanctuary and an altar area is set-up on the sidewalk.

PARTNERSHIP
REPORTS

A. Pū'ā Foundation – Toni Bissen (*Appendix Q*)

The report is on file.

Toni added that the work of Pū'ā Foundation is to “give back and to serve as many people as possible. She referenced the parable of the talents and the importance of using our talents and gifts to serve. The “trauma to transformation” work of the foundation now spans over 24 years.

B. AHEC – Kerisa Carmelo (*Appendix R*)

The report is on file. Kerisa highlighted the association's ongoing discussions on three matters including the termination of standing for *Kahu* Mike Warren within the United Church of Christ; the litigation between the Hau'ula Kahuku Church as a member of AHEC and the Hau'ula Congregational Church/Hawai'i Conference Foundation, and matters related to the *Papa Makua* and the Hawai'i Conference.

STAFF
REPORTS

A. Conference Minister – David Popham (*Appendix S*)

The report is on file.

B. Advisor – Sharon Matsuyama (*Appendix T*)

The report is on file. Sharon expressed her appreciation to the Island Council Presidents and to the SCHCC Officers for their leadership.

C. President – Boyd Matsuyama (*Appendix U*)

The report is on file. Boyd also expressed his appreciation for those serving in positions of leadership as member churches.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

A. 501 (c) (3) – Articles of Incorporation – Frank Mulec

Uncle Frank said once the *Articles of Incorporation* are filed, amendments will need to be made to the *Bylaws* to make certain they are in compliance with the *Articles of Incorporation*.

B. Addendum to “Celebrating Advocacy” – Aletha Kaohi

Auntie Aletha reported that the book should be ready by Christmas.

OTHER

A. Reconciliation Working Group – Kealahou Alike & Wayne Higa

The Reconciliation Working Group will be leading a workshop on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 to provide participants with an update on its work. Malina Kaulukukui initially served as a member of the group. She has since left and Linda Mitch was invited to join the current group.

The group includes Hau’oli Akaka, Kealahou Alike, Joyclynn Costa, Wayne Higa, Isaiah Ka’awai, and Meleanna Meyer, David Popham and David Turner.

B. Necrology (*Appendix V*)

Delegates added the following names to the Necrology Report:

- Hailli Alma Kamalu “Kukui” Kalima-Wellborn,
Conrad Nathaniel & Noland Remmers
- Hau’ula Merci Castillo
- Kauaha’ao Auntie Mabel Kaipo
- Kawaiaha’o Corinthia Harbottle, Auntie Gerri Hewett
- Lanakila Uncle Alex Ako, Pastor Ewatt Joseph,
& Uncle Mel Ho’omanawanui
- Waialua UCC Grant Lee

ANNOUNCEMENTS A. Meeting Dates

The following are the meeting dates for the SCHCC Board of Directors:

- Saturday, January 30, 2021
- Saturday, April 24, 2021

INSTALLATION
OF OFFICERS

Kahu David Popham led the service of installation for the following officers:

Boyd Matsuyama, President
Aletha Kaohi, Vice-President
Frank Mulec, Treasurer
Kealahou Alika, Secretary

Current Advisors include Sharon Mastuyama and Uncle Stanley Lum. Boyd offered a word of appreciation to Naholo Gramberg and Kahu Ken Makuakane for their technical support in hosting the SCHCC Annual Meeting.

CLOSING
SONG & *PULE*

Delegates were invited to sing, “*Hau’oli Au, E Hawai’i Au,*” a *mele* that was written and composed by Toni Bissen of Pū’ā Foundation. Kahu Barry Mick offered the closing prayer at 11:54 a.m.

Kealahou C. Alika, Secretary

Appendices A-V

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ATTENDANCE

Name	Church/Partner	Voting Delegate	Visitor
James 'A'arona	Kaulanapueo/ Kalanikahua Hou/Huelo	X	
Pualani Akaka	Kalaikamanu Hou	X	
Cynthia Akimseu	Haili Church	X	
Kealahou Alika	Wailuku Union Church		
Dolly Andrade	Kahikolu	X	
Naleen Andrade	Kahikolu	X	
Toni Bissen	Pūā Foundation	X	
Kerisa Carmelo	Lanakila	X	
Joyclynn Costa	Kalanikahua Hou	X	
Susan Ferrell	Wai'oli Hui'ia	X	
Ron Fujiyoshi	Ola'a	X	
Naholowa'a Gramberg	Tech Support		X
Wayne Higa	Ka'ahumanu	X	
Ka'iulani Hess	Kawaiaha'o	X	
Ricky Hirakawa	Kahikuonālani	X	
Kauanoē Ho'omanawanui	AHEC Luna Ho'omalu	X	
Dominic Inocelda	Pearl City Community	X	
Catherine Kaide	Laupahoehoe		X
Loke Kamanu	Kalapana Maunakea	X	
Margaret Rose Kamanu	Kalapana Maunakea		X
Bessie Kamakeeaina	Hau'ula UCC	X	
Gwendolyn Kamanu			X
Kini Kawa'a	Kalapana Maunakea	X	
Aletha Kaohi	Hanapēpē	X	
Edie Kapiko	Keawala'I	X	
Laurie Kauleinamoku	Liliuokalani	X	
Charles Kaupiko	Hau'oli Kamana'o	X	
Ka'imi Kaupiko	Hau'oli Kamana'o	X	
Melveen Kaupiko	Hau'oli Kamana'o		X
Leivallyn Kaupu	Hau'oli Kamana'o		X

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ATTENDANCE

Name	Church/Partner	Voting Delegate	Visitor
Joanne Kishimori	Kahikuonālani	X	
Kyle Lovett	Central Union		X
Stanley Lum	SCHCC		
Kenneth Makuakane	Kawaiaha'o	X	
Gordon Marchant	Pearl City Community	X	
Sally Jo Manea	Kapa'a First Hawaiian		X
Boyd Matsuyama	Puka'ana	X	
Sharon Matsuyama	Puka'ana	X	
Vivian Maunakea	Conference Staff		X
Manon Meisner	Kahikolu		X
Barry Mick	Kapa'a First Hawaiian	X	
Lorna Motas	Kaumakapili	X	
Frank Mulec	'Opihikao	X	
Manu Naole	Kalihi & Moanalua	X	
Christine Nu'uhiwa	Conference Staff		X
Shirley Ota	Pearl City Community		X
Haunani Pacheo	Wai'oli Hui'ia	X	
Russell Paio	Laupahoehoe	X	
Alaka'i Paleka	Pā'ia	X	
Lisa Payuyo	Pacific School of Religion		X
Naomi Takei	Pearl City Community		X
Brian Welsh	Haili	X	
David Williams	Kauaha'ao		X
Walter Wong Yuen	Kauaha'ao	X	
Debbie Wong Yuen	Kauaha'ao	X	
Lori Yamashiro	Conference Staff		X

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NECROLOGY

Hawai'i Island:

Haili	Alma Kamalu "Kukui" Kalima-Wellborn, Conrad Nathaniel & Noland Remmers
Kauaha'ao	Mabel Kaipo
Kahikolu	Sheila Navas Frasco
Lanakila	Alex Ako, Mel Ho'omanawanui & Ewattt Joseh
Laupahoehoe	<i>Kahu</i> Clement Malani Sr., Ruby Leilani Malani & Lei Saito
'Opihikao	Louis Kahoano Elia Jr. & Miyoko Kaohi

Maui:

Ka'ahumanu	Caroline Benton, Bernice Higa-Wirth & Karen Lum Ho Vida
Keolahou	Jean Cooper
Waiola	Grale Lorenzo Chong, Rachel Kaleipo, Barbara Kukahiko, Larry "Pops" Meneghin, Ronald Vaught & Mary Haunani Yap

O'ahu:

Hau'ula	Merci Castillo
Kahikuonālani	Della Kua'ana
Kaumakapili	Darlene Kaupu, Rosalind Lum, Matthew K. Motas & Jaya Poepoe
Kawaiaha'o	Corinthia Harbottle & Gerri Hewett
Lili'uokalani	Jacob Ng
Waialua	Grant Lee

State Council of Hawaiian
Congregational Churches

Proposed Budget
FY 2021 - 2022

INCOME:

Church Dues (FY 20-21), 45 @ \$50	\$2,250.00	
Mākeke	2,300.00	
Interest Income/Wm Crisp Fund	1, .00	
Donations-churches, individuals, Lulu at mtgs.	3,675.00	
Other Income, reimbursements	3,000.00	
TOTAL INCOME:		<u>\$13,050.00</u>

EXPENSES:

Air Fare: Executive Committee*	\$6,600.00	
Resource Persons	500.00	
Car Rental/Gas/Parking	1,100.00	
Lodging: Executive Committee*	1,800.00	
Meals	1,000.00	
Office Expenses	300.00	
Host Church Makana, 9 mtgs @ \$150	1,350.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses: unbudgeted, underbudgeted	400.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES:		<u>\$13,050.00</u>

(*Pres, VP, Sec, Treas. and Advisor)

Note: Pū'ā Foundation, Makana Budget of \$1,000.00 will be drawn from the Common Trust Fund held by the SCHCC

State Council of Hawaiian
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Kōkua Mau

FY 2021-2022

<u>FUNDS AVAILABLE:</u>	(Perpetuate the Funds)
Fund for Repair & Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches	\$40,000.00
Kahu Richard W. Wong Grant Fund	\$7,000.00
William Kahuaka'i Keli'iho'omalua Scholarship Fund	\$4,500.00
Katherine & Clay Wery Fund	\$2,500.00
<u>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE:</u>	<u>\$54,000.00</u>



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2021 'Aha Iki Mākeke Report
May 14, 2021

On August 16, 2020, the 2020 - 2021 SCHCC Mākeke Flyer has been sent to all our member churches. As a result of this announcement, the monetary donations received has been a total of \$2,050.00 from 15 churches, and 2 individual supporters.

We appreciate, recognized, and thank the following churches and individuals for their generous monetary donations and continued support for the SCHCC:

Kauaha‘ao Congregational Church

Boyd T.Matsuyama

Laupāhoehoe Congregational Church

Sharon L.K. Matsuyama

‘Opihikao Congregational Church

Lahuiokalani Kā‘anapali Congregational Church

Hau‘oli Kamana‘o Church

Haili Congregational Church

Helani Congregational Church

Wai‘oli Hui‘ia Church

Puka‘ana Congregational Church

Lanakila Congregational Church

Kahikolu Congregational Church

Kapa‘a First Hawaiian Church

Kaumakapili Church

Hanapēpē Hawaiian Congregational Church

Kahikuonalani Church UCC

Mahalo Ke Akua,

Frank J Mulec

SCHCC Mākeke Chair



State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches

2021 - 2022 Mākeke Flyer

May 14, 2021

Aloha Kākou,

The State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches (SCHCC) has historically set up a “Mākeke” during its Annual Meeting, at the ‘Aha Iki. For many years, our Hawaiian Churches contributed food items (baked goods, preserves, pickled fruits and vegetables) hand crafts and a variety of other items, including fresh produce. In the past few years, with more restrictions set on traveling and with the cost of airfares and shipping increasing, a physical Mākeke has pretty much diminished or hard to do.

Mahalo Ke Akua and mahalo to all that contributed to this mākeke in the past.

The “Mākeke” has been the one fundraiser (and continues to be the only fundraiser), that the SCHCC has, annually, which helps with operating expenses. With that thought, in mind, we encourage your continued mākeke support, not only at the ‘Aha Iki but throughout the entire fiscal year, as monetary donations to support the SCHCC in its work for our Hawaiian Churches.

Please make checks payable to SCHCC and mail to:

SCHCC

Frank Mulec, Treasurer

PO Box 1065, Pāhoa, HI 96778-1065

NOTE: Place “Mākeke” on the memo line of your checks.

Again, contributions will also be accepted throughout the entire year. Mahalo for your continued support to the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches.

Mahalo Ke Akua,

Frank J. Mulec - SCHCC Mākeke Chair