

Waimea Middle School
Local Advisory Panel (LAP) Meeting Agenda

Monday, April 28, 2014, 4 - 6 p.m. – Classroom K-04

Timer: Lori Bergin Minutes: Patti Cook

1. **Welcome & Introductions** (10 mins) – **Dr. Kamana Beamer, Chair**
 - a. **Welcome**
 - b. **Confirm Quorum**
 - c. **Review & Approve Minutes from February 24, 2014**
 - d. **Review & Approve Minutes from March 31, 2014**
 - e. **Preview Agenda**

2. **Principal's Update** (10 mins) – **Matt Horne**
 - a. **Summer School**
 - b. **Inclusive Education**
 - c. **2014-15 SY Calendar & School Day**
 - d. **Steakfry Celebration: Accrediation and Awards – May 14, 5 - 7 pm**

3. **Teacher Appreciation Week (May 5-9, 2014) – LAP Involvement** (10 mins) – **Dr. Kamana Beamer**
 - a. **Tues., May 6 - Suggested Breakfast: Preparation – 6 – 7:15 a.m.**
Service - 7:15 a.m.- 8 a.m.
Cleanup – 8-8:30 a.m.

4. **Ho'okako'o Local School Board & Charter Update** (15 mins) – **Dr. Megan McCorrison**

5. **Accreditation Report Review & LAP Involvement** (30 mins) – **Matt Horne**

6. **Coming Events & Opportunities – See next page** (10 mins) – **Patti Cook**

7. **Concluding Remarks, Future Agenda Items, & Next Steps** (5 mins) – **Dr. Kamana Beamer**
 - a. **Set meeting dates after May 19.**

Next Meeting – May 19, 2014, 4-6 pm

Important School Events

WMS College & Career Center Open To All Families: 1:30-4:30 p.m., every Wednesday throughout April. Stop by for an informal talk-story with our **Connecting For Success** staff and learn about supporting student achievement, logging on to **Jupiter Grades**, etc. All families invited! No appointment—just come!

April 30 Deadline To Submit Essay For New WMS Student “Grit” Awards: Students—this is a terrific opportunity to tell your story about your journey of learning— challenges, obstacles, crisis, conflict, struggle!? And then how you tackled the problem! Prizes will be awarded to 10 students per grade level and include a **\$25 gift certificate** for the local shop, business or food establishment of your choice—see application! Awards to be presented at the **May 14 Family Night!** Contest forms available in the school office and on website. *Mahalo Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gimbel for believing in our students!*

K(Arts) Grand Finale at Kahilu Theatre: Wed., April 30. 5 p.m. Doors Open; 5:30 p.m. Performance. Students to present Kahiko and Chanting, Tahitian and Hip Hop Dancing, African Drumming, Tahitian Basket Weaving and Flower Making and Backstage Production plus Lip Synch! Free, family friendly and not to be missed!

Family Science Night: 5:30-7 p.m., Thurs., May 1. **Thelma Parker Gym.** All invited—free including a Fresh Taco Salad Dinner with Dessert & Drinks (*Mahalo, Leadership Students*). To include grade level Science projects, Talk-Story with Hokule’a Navigator Kai’ulani Murphy - born and raised here in Waimea, she attended Waimea School and will be making the worldwide sail. She will share a short film on Hokule’a’s voyage! Plus visit Science Stations to learn about the nearby dryland forest and Kohanaiki alkaline ponds, Hawaiian biomes, convection, vortexes (tornado tubes), flubber, our Mala’ai school garden and more! No RSVP – just come!

Waimea Student-Family-Teacher Art Exhibit: **Kahilu Theatre.** All invited to submit original pieces—see back page of this newsletter for details. **Please submit art April 29-May 9; exhibit to run May 13-July 3.** Free and not to be missed! Go to www.WaimeaMiddleSchool.org (‘Ike Hawaii’ page) or Facebook to download more information and entry form.

WMS May Day Celebration: Fri., May 9. Two performances with doors opening at 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. **Thelma Parker Gym.** Both programs feature our **May Day Court.** The morning presentation spotlights WMS student performances. All of Waimea joins in for the evening presentation including other schools, halau, etc. Both are free! Special honored guests at the evening performance will be all past Waimea School May Day Queens and Court members! Kokua needed with greenery too; please bring to the gym Thursday, May 8. Also, please wear a lei!

Robotics Club & Friends To Participate In Visitor Industry Charity Walk: Sat., May 10. Once again our Robotics Team and friends will walk for the **Ellison Onizuka Space Center** which has always been very generous with our robotics program and in bringing astronauts to our school. Students to seek pledges for walking.

WMS Final Family Night Of The Year For Student ‘Grit’ Awards & Teacher - Staff ‘Culture of Excellence’ Awards: 5-7 p.m., Wed., May 14. School cafeteria. Hosted by **The Neilan Foundation** with special guest—24-year-old Cal Tech Chemistry PhD candidate Antone Toutov, originally from the Ukraine. He’s a soccer player, gardener, Frisbee expert, salsa dancer, cook and scientist! Will work with students in classes May 12-14. Free and all invited.

Waimea Elementary School May Day Celebration: Friday, May 23. (WMS will have classes this day.)

6th Grade Culture Faire: Friday, May 23.

8th Grade Exit Ceremony & Last Day of School For All Students: Thursday, May 29.

Summer School: Mon., June 9 - Fri., June 27, 2014 -- 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. For current 4th thru 7th Graders attending any Waimea school. Will combine a strong academic focus and skill building with exciting place-based experiences including a weekly excursion. Also includes breakfast, lunch and busing. Student uniforms mandatory and not covered by \$50 fee. Many scholarships available. Applications in school office and on website. **Deadline to apply: Thursday, May 29.**

2014-'15 School Year Begins: Friday, Aug. 1. **NOTE TO FAMILIES:** Due to a new STATE law, WMS classes will run from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily, except Wednesdays, when classes will conclude at 2 p.m. Busing schedule to be adjusted to accommodate change in bell schedule.

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