



Meeting Minutes – FINAL – Approved June 3, 2013

Meeting Title:	WMS Local Advisory Panel (LAP)
Date & Time:	4:30-6:30 pm, Mon., March 25, 2013
Members Present:	Community Reps: Dr. Kamana Beamer (Chair), Pete Hendricks
	Family Reps: Lori Bergin, Tim Beneski, Daniel Gomez
	Student Reps: Not present
	Student Advisor: Not present
	Certificated Reps: Erica Owens (6 th), Eunice "Laz" Lazarus (7 th), Nau'i Murphy (8 th)
	Classified Reps: Bernie Marsh
	WMS Admin: Matt Horne (Principal), Patti Cook (Community Liaison)
	Ho'okako'o Reps: Dr. Megan McCorriston (ED), Guy Kaulukukui (Board member)
	<u>Guests:</u>
	Family Members: Teri Chong (6 th grade students), John Balaam, Nancy Lindsey
	Students: None
	Faculty/Staff: Barbara Haight (6 th Grade LA Teacher)
	<u>Excused:</u>
Community Reps: Pete Hendricks, Robert Lindsey, Robert Witt	
Classified Reps: Michelle Kauhi	
<u>Absent:</u>	
Student Reps: Serenidy (DeeDee) Delos Santos (6 th), Jeren Soriano (7 th), Kiara Lorenzo-Rodrigues (8 th)	
Student Alternates: Hailey Mae Witcraft (6 th), McKella Spencer (7 th) & Holi Bergin (8 th)	

Topic:	Discussion:	Action:
<p>1. Welcome & Introductions – Dr. Kamana Beamer, Chair</p> <p>a. Introduction of Guests</p> <p>b. Confirm Quorum</p> <p>c. Review & Approve Minutes from Feb. 25 meeting</p> <p>d. Preview Agenda</p>	<p>Brief introduction of all present & welcome.</p>	<p>Meeting called to order at 4:40 p.m.</p> <p>Quorum confirmed.</p> <p>Minutes approved as is.</p> <p>No change to agenda.</p>
<p>2. Public, Guests & LAP Member Comments – Dr. Kamana Beamer, Chair</p>	<p>Brief opening comments: Kamehameha Schools Song Contest – Seniors Sweep! Also, Dr. Beamer shared having just been appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate as a new member of the State Water Commission.</p>	
<p>3. Report from Students:</p> <p>a. Real Women Writing Contest Winners –Tania duPont & Shea Ervine, introduced by Barbara Haight, 6th Grade Language Arts Teacher</p> <p>b. Recap of Scripps Spelling Bee (broadcast live on PBS Sat., March 23)</p>	<p>LA Teacher Barbara Haight reported on:</p> <p>1) 2 WMS students receiving ‘Real Women’ essay contest awards are recent Commission on the Status of Women’s luncheon at Hapuna.</p> <p>2) WMS Student Anatevka AhLoy doing very well in statewide Spelling Bee, which was broadcast “live” statewide on Hawaii Public Television.</p>	<p>All congratulated students and also teachers for supporting these programs.</p> <p>Laz briefed group on recent 8th Grade East Coast Travelers Laulau sale, acknowledging donors of meat, ti leaves, help including The Hooper ‘Ohana who taught all how to do this. Made over 2,000 laulau. “Good experience that connects generations.” Process is time consuming and hard work. Said “kids were troopers. Never gave up, never gave attitude, cleaned up!”</p> <p>Also reported on status of</p>

<p>2. Teacher Appreciation Week: May 6-10 – Dr. Kamana Beamer</p> <p>3. Review of LAP Member Feedback & Implications from Feb. 25 Meeting – Dr. Kamana Beamer</p> <p>4. Principal’s Update – Matt Horne, WMS Principal a. Expanded Summer School Details</p>	<p>PCook proposed LAP host breakfast for teachers/staff on Tues., May 7.</p> <p>MHorne shared recap of comments (see graph summarizing highlights). Generated considerable discussion.</p> <p>MHorne explained school had applied for, received \$46,000+ Title 1 grant. Will be June 10-28 (except 6/11), from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. To be open to all incoming 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade students in Waimea, both those attending WMS and all other schools, too. Kathi Foster & Jami Mareko will co-lead the program. Will include core curriculum, plus enrichment.</p>	<p>fundraising – participating in laulau fundraiser is voluntary; what students raise, they keep for their travel expenses. Still need to raise about \$3,000.</p> <p>Laz also shared that – to participate – students sign contract requiring 95% school attendance, at least a “C” in every class and no major behavioral issues. “It’s a hard thing to do – both fulfill the contractual requirements and fundraise, but a good experience.” Also said that events/activities such as the laulau sale are a good way for the community to be involved in the school.</p> <p>Nau’i reported LAP students have been talking about how LAP might help the school. Idea being suggested is called, “Take a LAP” – a pau hana fundraising walk/run at the start of the 2013-14SY. In very initial stages so students will come to LAP with a full proposal at the next meeting.</p> <p>PCook to prep plan and keep LAP members informed; will also ask Rotary for kokua as was done once before. Group also discussed and agreed school should place ad in NHN to honor teachers and staff for their support of student learning.</p> <p>Have started recruiting and welcome everyone’s help with getting the word out. Will do newspaper publicity, website, school newsletter, School Connects calls, eblasts to other schools and community friends.</p>
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<p>6. LAP Members Discussion and Update (10mins) – Dr. Kamana Beamer, Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Open Classified Staff Seat b. Open Community Member Seat(s) <p>7. Announcements:</p> <p>Coming Events & Opportunities – Patti Cook</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Overview of Recent Happenings & Preview of Coming Events b. Invitation to K(Arts) Grand Finale – Wed., April 24 – 5:30 p.m. – Kahilu Theatre 		<p>had met with Dr. Beamer and Matt related to Accreditation after receiving lots of thoughtful suggestions from school. Said the board has made a commitment to move forward together.</p> <p>Discussed Dr. Chun as possible HC Board member representing Waimea. Dr. Beamer said Dr. Chun has questioned whether he’d be more effective here in Waimea or in Honolulu.</p> <p>Dr. Beamer suggested that Hulali Covington would be interested in serving on LAP as a community member with close educational ties to Honoka’a High School. MHorne to follow up on this suggestion.</p> <p>NLindsey expressed “big concern” with all Waimea families are the recent Lockdowns – very scary. “Parents really shocked – is school prepared?” As a parent, asking why every classroom doesn’t have an emergency kit. Faculty-staff agreed and MHorne said he has ordered all items to get kits into classrooms soonest.</p> <p>TChong agreed “all schools are talking about this” – need to look at special needs – medications, etc. May need parent meeting.</p> <p>PCook reviewed coming events. LAP members urged Megan and HC Board to consider attending May Day; “need to be here for celebrations.” Also invited HC Board and staff to K(Arts) Grand Finale and Exit Ceremony.</p>
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<p>c. Invitation to Incoming 6th Grade Family Orientation – Wed., May 1, 5-7 p.m. - Cafeteria</p> <p>d. Invitation to May Day Celebration – Fri., May 10, 8:30 a.m. or __ p.m. – Gym</p> <p>8. Concluding Remarks and Next Steps – Dr. Kamana Beamer</p> <p>Next Meeting: June 3, 2013, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.</p>		<p>John Balaam announced that Windermere-C&H Properties will be making a \$5,000 donation to WMS. That every time they close a real estate transaction anywhere in the brokerage in the US, a portion of the transition goes into a community contributions pot. “I jumped in this year and urged that the Waimea team contribute to WMS. They agreed it was a great idea and that the community needs to support this school.” Said his family has had a “tremendous first year here at WMS. We were very nervous about taking student out of HPA and we are so happy – WMS is terrific.”</p> <p>Dr. Beamer thanked everyone for their time and dedication and encouraged all to plan to attend the next meeting and to bring along a family member, friend or neighbor.</p>
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[Attachments:](#)

Questions & Items to Be Addressed:

None

Submitted By:

Patti Cook

Date Submitted:

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