



Local Advisory Panel Virtual Mtg MINUTES – Tues., Oct. 19, 2021 4:30 – 6PM

Time	Activity	Facilitator	Notes
4:30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Call Meeting To Order - Welcome, Quorum, Check-In ● Review/Approve Sept. 21, 2021 WMS LAP Meeting Minutes 	PKanekuni & JEnglish	Quorum confirmed. Minutes approved as distributed.
4:35pm	Ho'okako'o Update	DGibson	See P. 3
4:40pm	Budget Update – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Enrollment = 204 students ● Kamehameha Schools – new grant opportunities ● OHA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Grant Update re: Trauma-Informed Art Teacher/Counselor – now starts 11/15/21 ○ R&M Grant ● Kukio Community Fund/HCF grant for SEL support - \$20,000 ● Career Connected Learning Grant - Hawaii Community Foundation ● Fundraising Reminders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ WMS Faculty-Staff “Ask” - Goal: 100% (Currently 28%) ○ Virtual Silent Auction for Early Holiday Shopping: Do you have something to contribute or know someone we should ask? 	JEnglish J English/PRice PRice PRice PRice PCook	See P. 3
4:50pm	Principal Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Covid Safety Status – Testing on campus (students and faculty-staff only); family communications ● 1st Quarter Recap - Virtual MEP/ELL Family Night, Pink It Up Day, etc. ● Virtual Teacher-Family-Student Conferences (11/23-24/21) ● School Climate – SEL/Counseling Initiatives (Schoolwide SEL Lessons, Lunch Bunch, PBIS Rewards/Gotcha Cards, 10/20/21 Unity Day w/ anti-bullying lessons) 	JEnglish	See P.3
5:00	‘Ike Hawai’i/Pa’ahana Logo – Mo’olelo: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Poliahu ● Lanikepu ● Manau’a 	JEnglish	See P.3



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5:05pm	Family Representatives Input <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflections/Concerns/Suggestions/Questions 		See P. 4
5:10pm	Teacher-Staff Representatives Input <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflections/Concerns/Suggestions/Questions 		See P.4
5:15pm	Community Representative Input <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflections/Concerns/Suggestions/Questions 		See P.4
5:20pm	New Business Community Input (2 minutes each) REMINDER: Next WMS Virtual LAP Meeting: Tues., November 16, 2021. 4:30-5:30 p.m.)	PKanekuni	See P. 4

Attachments – Principal’s Report

Attendance: 10/19/21

- Community Reps:** Phyllis Kanekuni, Tammy Muranaka, Pete Hendricks, Andrew Odell, Midge Jambor
- Family Reps:** Jennifer Brown, Jennifer Hirayama
- Certificated Reps:** Tina Yohon (6th); Linda LoBue (7th); Jennifer Fischer (8th)
- HC Board:** Pualani Akaka, Susan Maddox
- HC Staff:** David Gibson
- WMS Admin:** Janice English
- WMS Staff:** Patti Cook
- Guests:** PJ Foehr (Hawai'i Public Charter School Commission, Pat Rice (School Improvement Specialist/Title I & Grant Coordinator), WES Principal Tammie Picklesimer (WES Principal), Colin Miura (WMS parent), Jacy Medina (Parent)

WELCOME: Quorum confirmed. September minutes approved as submitted. Welcomed WMS 6th grade



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parent Jacy Medina and WES Principal Picklesimer to meeting.

HO'OKAKO'O CORP. UPDATE: WMS audit almost completed; WMS looks good. Awaiting final Per Pupil funding info to submit final budget to the Hawaii Public Charter School Commission.

BUDGET UPDATE:

ENROLLMENT: Budget based on enrollment of 205; actual on Oct. 15 Count Day was 204 so very close.

KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS: Pat Rice has been working on preparing grant application; ready to go but awaiting final format from KS.

OHA: Grant not expected to begin now until 11/15/21 but have decided to ask them to defer start to 1/3/22 to give us time to recruit, interview, do fingerprinting, ecrim, etc. Also, OHA put out RFP for funding for facilities R&M – PRice submitted.

CAREER CONNECTED LEARNING/HCF: They had previously said they wouldn't be funding this program this year but Pat received call that they have a small amount to award and were focusing funds on program partners that have done really good work – WMS would be included if ready to submit? Yes! Pat's comment: It's all about relationships; we hope to use this funding for Amplify Science curriculum, mentoring and career exploration.

FUNDRAISING: PCook asked LAP members and friends to please consider contributing auction items or let her know if you have a suggestion about someone to reach out to for an auction item.

PRINCIPAL REPORT:

Covid Safety Status – Have initiated weekly on-campus Covid rapid testing in partnership with the National Kidney Foundation for faculty-staff and students only, not general public. Must pre-register online and students must have family consent. JEnglish said part of the reason she initiated this is in hopes of re-starting after-school Athletics. Also, Hamakua Kohala Health is holding weekly testing in the gym specifically for State and County employees. Every Wednesday; must pre-register online for this too.

1st Quarter Recap:

- **Virtual MEP/ELL Family Night:** Was held and went well.
- **“Pink It Up Day!”** WMS joined WES and community for Breast Cancer Awareness on 10/8/21. JEnglish thanked Tammy Muranaka, Mary Beth Laychak and WES Principal for advocating this.
- **Unity Day:** WMS celebrated this with special gift to every student and faculty-staff member of a bright orange “Be Kind” t-shirt. Concurrently, the school's Student Care Professional Learning Community (PLC) teacher group worked with our Counselor to prepare/deliver Advisory lessons schoolwide re: Kindness and anti-bullying.
- **Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS):** Grade Levels have initiated rewards for Gotcha Cards
- **Virtual Teacher-Family-Student Conferences Scheduled (11/23-24/21)**
- **School Climate:** – Counselor has been hosting Lunch Bunch sessions.

'Ike Hawai'i/Pa'ahana Logo: JEnglish suggested inviting our 'Ike Hawai'i Kumu Cherise Mundon to join a future LAP Meeting to share the stories behind the school's Pa'ahana logo (seen at the top of each page. All agreed.



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FAMILY INPUT:

JHirayama: “Feeling really positive about protocols, rules, communications with families.”

JMedina: This is first LAP meeting she has attended but interested in getting more involved; said “never experienced a school so organized and communicative with families.” Appreciates regular Wellness checks and that ClassDojo emailed messages keep families informed.

JBrown: Said she has called the school to ask a question about post travel Covid rules after Fall Break; said the response she got from office staff was very timely and informative; especially appreciated the Health Aide getting back to her and knowing what was going on. (Information was also shared out via ClassDojo with all families.)

TEACHER INPUT:

JFisher/8th Grade: Before fall break the 8th grade team started SEL Lessons thru Advisories to help students have the tools to deal with all that’s going on.

TYohon/6th Grade: Teachers are using the 6th Period well – some for reading and math interventions, some for special activities “sneaking in reading and writing.” She’s working with students to learn to make bread; students take home dough and bake it – then text her pictures. Very well received by students and families.

She also shared a project she’s involved in in partnership with Utah State University and Ilene Grossman/NOAA Grant. 6th Grade Social Studies focuses on ancient sacred places around the world and this project is introducing students to similar kinds of special places in/near Waimea, such as Waipi’o Valley. Students visit and interview the caretakers, learn about codes of conduct, then come back and work on creating a phone app sharing stewardship ideas to be communicated to visitors. Well received by students and families. This project will continue for the next several years – initially piloting curriculum to roll out and share with other schools across the country.

LAP COMMUNITY REP INPUT:

TMuranaka: Thanked everyone for joining in for the “Pink It Up Day” celebration – “I don’t have words to say how touched I was.” Acknowledged WES Principal Picklesimer for Pink t-shirts for WES faculty and staff and painting the field. “So much laughing and smiling” by the students! Hopes to expand on this next year to include other schools in the North Hawai’i/Hamakua Complex. “Go bigger and better.” Also thanked Mary Beth Laychak and CFHT for arranging the videotaping that resulted in statewide TV news coverage. TYohon commented that she “loved hearing the elementary kids playing and having fun that day – it’s been a long time.”

No Community Input; Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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