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**STATE COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES**

HANDBOOK



STATE COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES
ANNUAL MEETING
JUNE 14, 2017
KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS MAUI
PUKALANI, HAWAII

STATE COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES
(SCHCC) - ANNUAL MEETING
June 14-15, 2017

Kamehameha Schools Maui
Pukalani, Hawaii

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May 5, 2017

Aloha mai kākou e nā momi a Ke Akua,

Hau'oli mākou e ho'okipa iā 'oukou ma kēia 'āina nani 'o 'A'apueo no kēia 'Aha Iki, 'o ia nō "Noho i ka 'Ōlelo a Ke Akua." Welcome to Kamehameha Schools Maui. As a covenantal partner, it is our pleasure to host the 'Aha Iki of the 195th 'Aha Pae 'Āina of the Hawai'i Conference, United Church of Christ. This is an exciting time as you listen to Ke Akua's voice to hear what He has in store for your association, affiliate organizations, churches and members. When you gather in the various halawai, may you allow Ke Akua to speak freely to your hearts and minds.

Throughout your brief time on our campus, I pray that you might enjoy the sights and sounds that are distinctly Upcountry Maui. Allow your pace to slow down so that your conversations may be enriching and inspiring. If there is anything that we can do to make your time more productive, please do not hesitate to ask.

Ke Akua pū,

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ANNUAL MEETING
June 14, 2017
1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Kamehameha Schools Maui

AGENDA

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| 1. | CALL TO ORDER | B. Matsuyama |
| 2. | OPENING PRAYER/ OHANA / LULU*
(*Please make checks payable to: SCHCC) | S. Matsuyama |
| 3. | ROLL CALL / QUORUM: Yes ____/ No ____
Member Churches: ____

Partnerships: ____ | A. Kaohi |
| 4. | GREETINGS | B. Matsuyama |
| 5. | AGENDA: Additions & Approval
5.1.
5.2. | B. Matsuyama |
| 6. | 2016 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES– JUNE 09, 2016 | A. Kaohi |
| 7. | FINANCIAL REPORT
7.1. Annual Treasurer’s Report
7.2. Proposed Budget 2017 – 2018
7.3. Other
7.3.1. Kokua Mau
7.3.2. | F. Mulec |
| 8. | STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
8.1. Repair and Maintenance of Small Membership
Hawaiian Churches
8.2. Endowment/Scholarship Committees SCHCC
8.2.1. Kahu Richard Wong Endowment
8.2.2. William Keli‘iho‘omalua Scholarship Fund
8.2.3. Na Lima Hōike “E” (AHEC Programs Committee) | K. Alika

A. Trout
S. Matsuyama
B. Matsuyama |
| 9. | ISLAND COUNCIL REPORTS
9.1. Kaua’i
9.2. O’ahu
9.3. Moloka’i
9.4. Maui | A. Kaohi / I. Ka’auwai
W. Aiu
P. Kikukawa
A. Trout |

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| 9.5 | East Maui Hawaiian Ministry | N. Cabatbat |
| 9.6 | West Hawai'i | H. Aiu |
| 9.7 | East Hawai'i. | F. Mulec |
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| 10. | PARTNERSHIP REPORTS | |
| 10.1 | Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches | W. Haole |
| 10.2. | Pu'a Foundation | T. Bissen |
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| 11. | CONFERENCE STAFF / SCHCC OFFICER'S REPORT | |
| 11.1. | Conference Minister | C. Buck |
| 11.2 | Papa Makua | K. Makuakane |
| 11.3. | SCHCC President | B. Matsuyama |
| 11.4.. | SCHCC Advisor | S. Matsuyama |
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| 12. | UNFINISHED BUSINESS | B. Matsuyama |
| 12.1 | | |
| 12.2. | | |
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| 13. | NEW BUSINESS | |
| | Action Items: | |
| 13.1. | Proposed Budget: 2017 – 2018 | F. Mulec |
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| 14. | REFLECTIONS / CONCERNS | B. Matsuyama |
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| 15. | ANNOUNCEMENTS | |
| 15.1. | SCHCC Quarterly Meeting Dates: 2017 – 2018 | |
| | July 22, 2017 | |
| | October 28, 2017 | |
| | January 27, 2018 | |
| | April 28, 2018 | |
| | (Three (3) Meetings will be held on O'ahu, one (1) to a Neighbor Island to be determined). | |
| 15.2 | June 2018 – Annual Meeting. | |
| 15.3. | | |
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| 17. | RECESS | B. Matsuyama |
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| 18. | RECOGNITION OF OFFICERS / SPECIAL CEREMONY | B. Matsuyama / A. Kaohi |
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| 19. | ADJOURNMENT | |
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| 20. | CLOSING PRAYER | |

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STATE COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGRGATIONAL CHURCHES
ANNUAL MEETING
June 09, 2016
Central Union Church

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The annual meeting was called to order at 10:34 a.m. by President Boyd Matsuyama with the opening prayer
 2. **`OHANA:** Sharon Matsuyama, advisor led the `ohana and Boyd Matsuyama offered the closing prayer. Lulu - \$837.50
 3. **ROLL CALL / QUORUM:** Forty-one (41) paid member churches. Present: Twenty-seven (27) churches and two (2) partners – AHEC and Pu'a. **QUORUM** was established.
 4. **GREETINGS:** Boyd Matsuyama welcomed everyone. "We are here for business with fun."
 5. **AGENDA:** The agenda was approved with no additions.
ACTION: M/Debbie Wong Yuen. S/Aileen Trout. Motion Carried.
 6. **2015 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES - JUNE 10, 2015.**
ACTION: M/Juliette Galuteria – ratify the minutes. S/Nancy Lee Bowles. Motion Carried.
 7. **FINANCIAL REPORT: Frank Mulec reported**
 1. FY 2015-2016. .

Beginning Balance July 1, 2015	\$ 8,131.27
Total Income: July 2015 – May 2016	\$ 9,703.31
Total Expenses: July 2015 – May 2016	\$ 10,660.36
Ending Balance: May 31, 2016	\$ 7,174.20
American Savings Bank Checking Acc't	\$ 7,274.22
Less 10/17/2015 Ck # 0290	- 100.00
	\$ 7,174.22
 - ACTION: M/Frank Mulec - Treasurer's report accepted, placed on file, subject to audit. Motion Carried.**
 2. Proposed Budget: FY 2016 – 2017 \$8,250.00. *Defer to New Business. 14.1.*
 3. Member Churches Annual Dues -\$50.00.
Paid – 41 Unpaid – 3 Total Churches - 44.
8. **NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S REPORT:** Isaiah Ka'auwai reported.
Received applications from - Boyd Matsuyama for President, Kealahou Alikea for Vice-President and Aletha Kaohi for Secretary. The Treasurer's position is vacant, term expires June 30, 2016. *Defer to NEW BUSINESS: 14.2.*

9. STANDING COMMITTEES REPORTS:

1. Repair and Maintenance for Small Membership Hawaiian Churches Committee:
Kealahou Alike's report was questioned by Mike Warren regarding Kalapana Maunakea First Hawaiian Church's grant application for the installation of railings to steps leading to the church from their makai parking lot. Grant was denied because it was incomplete. A letter dated December 15, 2015 was sent to the moderator of the church outlining this concern and a request that documentation be provided. Projects over \$5,000 require a bid from a licensed contractor with details on cost of materials. There was no Contractor's bid. No response was received. After lengthy discussion, the chair offered to review the matter on receipt of a complete, amended Grant application that addresses the committee's concern. (On June 30, 2016, the end of FY2015-2016, monies not expended will lapse.)

The Committee Chair submitted a booklet he had prepared that included a comprehensive written report of awards under the Repair & Maintenance of small Hawaiian churches program, a listing of grant awardees, photos of projects undertaken. Report was received and placed on file by consensus.

2. Endowment Scholarship Committees

2.1. Kahu Richard W. Wong Endowment Fund: In addition to chair Aileen Trout's written report, She explained the criteria used by the committee in appraising requests. The report was received and placed on file.

2.2. William Keli'ihō'omalū Scholarship Fund. Boyd Matsuyama reported that Richard Kamanu is resigning as chair. Report received and placed on file.

2.3. Na Lima Ho'ike "E": Boyd Matsuyama, SCHCC Representative to AHEC Program Committee reported. A question was raised: Why is the report included in the SCHCC handbook? Answer: Because all Hawaiian churches may apply. Not just AHEC member churches.

10. ISLAND COUNCIL REPORTS:

Written reports of all Councils were received and placed on file without additions.

11. PARTNERSHIPS REPORT:

11.1. Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches: Report received, placed on file.

11.2. Pū'ā Foundation: Toni Bissen presented a gift to SCHCC, a by-product of Pū'ā's program, an art work by a woman in prison. Pū'ā's written report was received, and placed on file.

12. CONFERENCE STAFF / SCHCC OFFICER'S REPORTS:

12.1. Conference Minister: Report received, placed on file.

12.2. Acting Papa Makua: Report received, placed on file.

12.3. SCHCC President: Report received, placed on file.

12.4. SCHCC Advisor: Report received, placed on file.

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none.

14. NEW BUSINESS:

14.1. Proposed Budget: FY 2016 – 2017.

ACTION: M/Della Kua'ana approve the FY 2016 – 2017 Budget - \$8,250.00.

S/Nana Aiu. Motion Carried with 3 oppose.

14.2. Election of Officers: 2016 – 2017.

There were no nominations from the floor.

ACTION: M/ Alaka'i Paleka - Close the Nominations. S/Kelsey Bufl. Motion Carried.

ACTION: M/ Bill Haole – Instruct the secretary to cast the unanimous ballot. S/Debbie Wong Yuen. Motion Carried. Secretary acknowledged.

15. REFLECTIONS / CONCERNS: none.

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

16.1. SCHCC Quarterly Meeting Dates: 2016 – 2017.

Meetings held on O'ahu except one (1) to a neighbor Island.

July 30, 2016

October 28-29, 2016 – 2 days to a neighbor island.

January 28, 2017

April 29, 2017

16.2. Annual Meeting – June 2017

[Announced at 'Aha Makua – the 2017 'Aha Pae'aina will be held on Maui At Kamehameha Schools campus].

17. ADJOURNMENT: At 12:42 p.m.

18. CLOSING PRAYER: Della Kua'ana offered the closing prayer.

Recorded by: Aletha G. Kaohi, secretary.

APPROVED: Date: _____ Signed: _____

Minutes Corrected: _____

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Financial Report FY 2016 - 2017

			Beginning Balance July 1, 2016					YTD TOTAL
			Budgeted	July-Sept Actual	Oct-Dec Actual	Jan-Mar Actual	Apr-June Actual	
INCOME:								\$7,041.56
Church Dues, 45 @ \$50			2,250.00	100.00	950.00	700.00		1,750.00
Fundraising/Makeke			2,100.00					0.00
Interest Income/Wm Crisp Fund			1,600.00	1,670.86				1,670.86
Donations			2,300.00	660.00	2,845.00	635.00		4,140.00
Other Income				354.40	2,043.90	496.63		2,894.93
TOTAL INCOME			8,250.00	2,785.26	5,838.90	1,831.63	0.00	10,455.79
EXPENSES:								
			<u>Budgeted</u>					
Air Fare			4,000.00	3,311.62	451.00	2,871.53		6,634.15
Resource Persons			500.00		200.00			200.00
Car Rental/Gas/Parking			450.00	204.77	404.43	243.67		852.87
Lodging			1000.00	125.36	449.14	585.64		1,160.14
Meals			100.00	221.93	138.34	131.28		491.55
Office Expense			300.00		57.97	12.90		70.87
Host Church Makana			500.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		300.00
Pūā Foundation Makana			1000.00					0.00
Miscellaneous Expenses			400.00	100.00	300.00			400.00
TOTAL EXPENSES			8,250.00	4,063.68	2,100.88	3,945.02	0.00	10,109.58
						Ending Balance March 31, 2017		\$7,387.77

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Proposed Budget
FY 2017 - 2018

INCOME:

Church Dues (FY 17-18), 44 @ \$50	\$2,200.00
Makēkē	2,100.00
Interest Income/Wm Crisp Fund	1,600.00
Donations-churches, individuals, Lulu at mtgs.	2,300.00
Other Income, reimbursements	3,000.00
TOTAL INCOME:	<u>\$11,200.00</u>

EXPENSES:

Air Fare: Executive Committee*	\$6,000.00
Resource Persons	500.00
Car Rental/Gas/Parking	1,100.00
Lodging: Executive Committee*	1,800.00
Meals	600.00
Office Expenses	300.00
Host Church Makana, 5 mtgs @ \$100	500.00
Miscellaneous Expenses: Unbudgeted, underbudgeted	400.00
TOTAL EXPENSES:	<u>\$11,200.00</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.

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Kokua Mau

FY 2017 - 2018

FUNDS:

Fund for Repair & Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches	\$40,000.00
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Kahu Richard W. Wong Endowment Fund	\$5,000.00
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William Kahuaka'i Keli'iho'omalua Scholarship Fund	\$3,000.00
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Katherine & Clay Wery Fund	\$2,500.00 (pilot program)
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<u>TOTAL FUNDS:</u>	<u>\$50,500.00</u>
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STATE COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES (SCHCC)
SCHCC Committee on the Repair and Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Kealahou Alika, Chair

Buddy Maunakea

Kalei Tong

Preface

A meeting of the SCHCC Committee Repair & Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches was held on January 17, 2017 at Kaumakapili Church, Pālama, O‘ahu. The agenda included the following:

1. Update on Kaulanapueo Congregational Church, Huelo, Maui
2. Hawai‘i Conference Foundation/Hawai‘i Conference – 2018 Budget
3. Review of 2017 Applications

Kaulanapueo Congregational Church

A letter received from Janet Akau on January 3, 2017. The repairs to the church windows was completed in November 2016. A grant was approved in 2015 for the work that was delayed by inclement weather. Photographs of the completed work were provided.

2018 Budget

The Board of Directors of the SCHCC agreed that a recommendation be made to the Hawai‘i Conference Foundation and the Hawai‘i Conference – United Church of Christ for an increase in the budget line item of the 2018 Budget. A request will be made that the line item for the “repair and maintenance of small membership churches” be increased to \$75,000.00.

The request was made based on the ongoing needs of the churches.

Review of Applications

Eleven (11) applications were received. A summary report included the following information on the applicant churches:

- Title/deed held by HCF or church
- Church contribution
- SCHCC dues payment record
- Contribution to Our Church’s Wider Mission (OCWM)
- Contribution to special offerings (One Great Hour of Sharing, Christmas Fund, Strengthen the Local Church and Neighbors in Need)
- Contribution to ‘Ōpūkaha‘ia Scholarship Fund
- Total number of members
- Average worship attendance
- Church budget
- Previous SCHCC grants received by the applicant

Priorities Considered

Priority for consideration was based on the following:

1. Churches with titles and deeds held by the Hawai‘i Conference Foundation
2. Churches requesting assistance for repair and maintenance of ADA-related projects or sewer projects.
3. Churches whose own contribution to their respective projects totaled at least 30% or more of the cost.
4. Churches whose projects were for repair to existing buildings.
5. Churches whose projects were for maintenance purposes.
6. Churches whose projects will require much more extensive work.

Based on the committee’s guidelines, the applications were considered in the following groups:

Churches with titles and deeds by the Hawai‘i Conference Foundation included the following:

1. Kalaiakamanu Hou Church, Kaunakakai, Moloka‘i
2. Kapa‘a First Hawaiian Church, Kapa‘a, Kaua‘i
3. Kaulanapueo Congregational Church, Huelo, Maui
4. Keolahou Congregational Hawaiian Church, Kīhei, Maui
5. Ola‘a First Hawaiian Church, Kurtistown, Hawai‘i
6. Pā‘ia Hawaiian Protestant Church, Pā‘ia, Maui
7. Puka‘ana Congregational Church, Kealia, Kona, Hawai‘i
8. Waimea United Church of Christ, Waimea, Kaua‘i
9. Wai‘oli Hui‘ia Church, Hanalei, Kaua‘i

ADA-related or sewer-related projects to receive priority consideration:

1. Pā‘ia Hawaiian Protestant Church

Churches whose contribution totaled 30% or more of the total cost included:

1. Keolahou Congregational Hawaiian Church
2. Ola‘a First Hawaiian Church
3. Puka‘ana Congregational Church
4. Waimea United Church of Christ

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Churches whose projects will require full funding for implementation:

1. Kalaiakamanu Hou Church
2. Lanakila Congregational Church
3. Wai‘oli Hui‘ia Church

Churches holding their own deed:

1. Lanakila Congregational Church

Based on the review of all of the application, the following recommendations were made by the Committee to the SCHCC Board of Directors at its meeting held on Saturday, January 28, 2017 held at Kahikuonālani Church, Pearl City. The recommendations were approved by the Board.

1. Kalaiakamanu Hou Church	\$ 8,000.00
2. Kapa‘a First Hawaiian Church	Deferred
3. Kaulanapueo Congregational Church	5,000.00
4. Keolahou Congregational Hawaiian Church	1,800.00
5. Lanakila Congregational Church	7,000.00
6. Lanakila Congregational Church	Deferred
7. Ola‘a First Hawaiian Church	8,000.00
8. Pā‘ia Hawaiian Protestant Church	3,892.00
9. Puka‘ana Congregational Church	5,000.00
10. Waimea United Church of Christ	1,308.00
11. Wai‘oli Hui‘ia Church	<u>Deferred</u>
 TOTAL	 <u>\$ 40,0000</u>

Applications deferred will be considered by the Committee in the new funding cycle for 2018.

Based on the background information for Wai‘oli Hui‘ia, it was agreed by consensus that the church be encouraged to increase its own contribution. This may be done by securing additional funds through its own fundraising efforts or through other funding sources from Hawai‘i-based foundations.

Churches receiving partial funding will be encouraged to also increase their own contribution through their own fundraising efforts or through other funding sources.

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Mahalo

Mahalo to the Presidents of the island Councils and the officers and members of the Board of Directors. A special word of thanks to Buddy Maunakea and Kalei Tong for their *mana 'o* and leadership as members of the Committee.

Faithfully,

The Rev. Kealahou C. Alika, Chairperson

Kahu Richard W. Wong Endowment Fund
Report of Awards for 2017
June 14, 2017

On June 25, 1990, Kahu Richard W. Wong established the “KAHU RICHARD W WONG ENDOWMENT FUND “to help Hawaiian churches for their:

- educational,
- mission,
- scholarship,
- evangelistic,
- personnel,
- and building needs.*” However, ***“Grants are NOT to be given to build, maintain, or renovate *income producing facilities.*”**

Based on the Book Value of the fund as of June 30, 2016, the distributable amount of funding totaled **\$3,731.08**. The committee for the Kahu Richard W Wong Endowment Fund received 1 application totaling \$500.00.

The Committee always asked the question: *Will the church’s mission fail if this request is denied?*
The Committee is composed of:

- Chairperson Aileen Trout, Lahuiokalani Ka’anapali Congregational Church
- Claire Paishon, Waiola Church
- Boyd Matsuyama, Puka’ana Congregational Church

AWARDS FOR 2017:

Ko`olau Hui`ia Protestant Church:

\$500.00

Approved for **hot water heater**

Comments:

Priority is given for missional, outreach, and evangelistic requests. Kahu Richard Wong did include building needs. A hot water heater is not a building, however, in consideration of health and sanitation for everyone who may partake of meals at the church, the committee agreed to fund this request.

Committee Chair, Aileen Trout

William Kahuaka'i Keli'iho'omalū Scholarship Fund

(State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches)

Sharon Matsuyama, Chairperson

c/o Hawaii Conference United Church of Christ

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Aloha e na hoahanau me na hoaloha,

The "William Kahuakai Kelihoomalū Scholarship Fund" was established as a memorial Scholarship in 1979, following the passing of Licentiate Kahu, William K. Kelihoomalū. The fund was started with a monetary gift of \$25.00 by Mrs. Ada Larrison, a friend of the family, and continued growing with support from members of the Kelihoomalū 'Ohana, Kalapana Maunakea Congregational Church, and many friends. She requested that this gift be placed in a Custodial Account with the Hawaii Conference Foundation, for the purpose of providing financial aid for seminary, postgraduate and continuing education expenses. When the fund grew to the amount of \$500.00, the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches was appointed Custodian of this Scholarship fund. The State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches turned the funds over to the Hawaii Conference Foundation to be invested, setting a goal of reaching the amount of \$5,000.00, with the intention of using the earned interest income towards the granting of scholarships, for the purpose stated. If no applications are received for funding, the monies will remain in the account to continue earning interest.

REPORT ON COMMON TRUST FUNDS

For the quarter ending: 03/31/2017

Balance:	Book Value	Market Value
	\$13,753.01	\$16,347.88

After the 2016 Annual Meeting of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches, Reverend Richard Kamanu, "retired" as Chairperson of this Committee and requested that a new Committee Chairperson be appointed with the possibility of having three members complete this Committee. After taking Kahu Kamanu's request under advisement, it was decided that the SCHCC Executive Board will be the William Kahuakai Scholarship Fund Committee. As a result of that decision, the SCHCC Executive Board appointed me (Sharon Matsuyama), Chairperson.

There being no further business to report.

Sincerely,

Sharon Matsuyama

Sharon Matsuyama, Chairperson
William K. Kelihoomalū Scholarship

State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches Annual Meeting
AHEC – Na Lima Hoike “E” Report
June 14-15, 2017

For the period of July 01, 2016, through April 21, 2017, the Program Committee received applications, submitted by churches, requesting funds for programs, as recapped below.

<u>Name of Church</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Amount Approved</u>
Ka Hana O Ke Akua	Kawaiahao Ohana Camp	\$ 980.00
Hau’oli Kamana’o	Support Praise & Worship Program	2,667.00
Lanakila	Sunday School Summer Trip	1,200.00
Kawaiahao	4th Annual Ohana Camp	11,830.00
Haili	Educational Pilgrimage	11,312.67
Puka’ana	HCUCC Fall Youth Camp	533.00
Lanakila	HCUCC Clergy Retreat	441.65
Kalapana Maunakea	HCUCC Fall Youth Camp	1,333.00
Haili	HCUCC Fall Youth Camp	533.00
Kahikuonalani	2016 Fall Aha Halawai	255.00
Ka Hana O Ke Akua	2016 Fall Aha Halawai	407.00
Ka Hana O Ke Akua	SCHCC BOD Meeting	173.00
Ka Hana O Ke Akua	The Oasis, Theological Conference	546.00
Kaulanapueo	SCHCC BOD Meeting	134.00
Paia	2016 Fall Aha Halawai	677.00
Waialua	2016 Fall Aha Halawai	189.00
Kawaiahao	Church Growth Conference	6,202.00
Kalaiakamanu Hou	Mana Wahine Conference	1,265.00
Paia	Mana Wahine Conference	1,575.00
Paia	Pule Hamau	600.00
Kauaha’ao	New Hymnals	838.00
Puka’ana	2017 Spring Aha Halawai	1,269.00
Opihikao	2017 Spring Aha Halawai	325.00
Helani	2017 Spring Aha Halawai	493.00
Kalapana Maunakea	2017 Spring Aha Halawai	846.00
Paia	2017 Spring Aha Halawai	931.00
Puka’ana	SCHCC BOD Meeting	152.00
Puka’ana	Church Leaders Event	497.00
Hanapepe Hawaiian	Finding Your Church’s Passion	383.00
Kaahumanu	2017 Spring Aha Halawai	893.00
Kaahumanu	Church Leaders Event	333.00
Koolau Huiia	2017 Spring Aha Halawai	250.00
Lanakila	2017 Spring Aha Halawai	400.00
Kalapana Maunakea	Spring Milolii Campout	800.00
Kalapana Maunakea	HIA Clergy Retreat	373.00
Lanakila	Spring Milolii Campout	200.00
Helani	SCHCC BOD Meeting	155.00
Kawaiahao	Back to School Outreach/Celebration	<u>1,000.00</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$52,991.32</u>

Kaua'i Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches
President's Report – 2017

Kaua'i Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches (KCHCC) is organized to promote the work and fellowship of our Hawaiian Churches. KCHCC is a member of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches (SCHCC). SCHCC, an advocate for Hawaiian Churches of the Hawai'i Conference of the United Church of Christ (HCUCC), looks to the interest of the Hawaiian Churches by keeping the Conference aware of their concerns and needs as the Conference changes in complexion.

There are six (6) member churches: Three with full time pastors. Three without pastors who are blessed with committed lay leadership.

1. Hanapepe Hawaiian Congregational Church: Pastor – none.
First Sunday: Communion Sunday - Rev, Glenn Frazier every first Sunday .
Fifth Sunday: 'Ohana Sunday – members provide the message.
Other Sundays: Guest Speakers. (Pastors and/or Lay)
2. Kapa'a First Hawaiian Church: Pastor – Barry Mick
3. Ko'olau Hui'ia Protestant Church (Anahola): Pastor – none
Kahu Rennie Mau resigned January 2017.
4. 'Ohana Ni'ihau o Waimea Church: Pastor: none
Lay leaders conducted Sunday Services while Kahu Dana Kaohelauli'i was ill and continued after Kahu's death, September 2016. Kahu Richard Kamanu, HCUCC Staff to Kaua'i Association, is working with 'Ohana members preparing for licentiate.
5. Wai'oli Hui'ia Church (Hanalei): Pastor – Alpha Goto
6. Waimea United Church of Christ: Pastor - Olaf Percival-Hoeckmann

KCHCC schedule two Executive Committee meetings, one in the fall and one in the spring. The membership meetings are at the Fall Mokupuni and Spring Mokupuni.

1. Executive Committee Meeting - September 11, 2016: Kapa'a First Hawaiian Church.
Plan Fall Mokupuni meeting, Grants - Proposals due October 31st to KCHCC.
2. Membership meeting (Fall Mokupuni) – November 6, 2016, Lihue Christian Church.
Grant Proposals – reviewed and approved three (3) applications.
Kahu Richard Wong Endowment:
Ko'olau Hui'ia Protestant Church - \$500 replace hot water heater.
Repair & Maintenance for Small Membership Hawaiian Churches.
Wai'oli Hui'ia Church – \$15,000 repair exterior walls of the Mission Hale.
Waimea UCC - \$1,454.66 repair the church windows.
3. Executive Committee and Membership Meeting: March 19, 2017, Kapaa First Hawaiian Church.
Plan for Spring Mokupuni: 'Aha Mele and Annual Meeting.
4. Membership Meeting (Spring Mokupuni) – April 28 & 29, 2017, Hanapepe UCC
Friday – April 28: 'Aha Mele sponsored by KCHCC.
Saturday - April 29: 8:30 a.m. Annual Meeting

Katherine & Clay Wery Fund:

Katherine Wery, who was Director of Financial Aid at the University of Hawai'i Manoa, left her estate to numerous non-profit organizations in Hawai'i, including the Hawai'i Conference. At Katherine Wery's wish, a fund was created to benefit rural small Hawaiian churches. The SCHCC has been asked to be custodians of the Fund, and the officers, members of the Katherine & Clay Wery Fund Committee are currently working on drafting guidelines and definitions for the Fund.

Aletha G. Kaohi

OAHU COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES
ANNUAL REPORT
June 14, 2017

Aloha mai kakou!

The following are the member churches of OCHCC: Bishop Memorial, Hau'ula Congregational, Ka Hana O Ke Akua, Kahikuonalani, Kalihi and Moanalua, Kaumakapili, Kawaiaha'o, Lili'uokalani, Pearl City Community and Waianae Protestant.

The current leadership of OCHCC are: Winogene "Nana" Aiu, President (Ka Hana O Ke Akua), Kaiulani Hess, Vice President (Kawaiaha'o), Laurie Kauleinamoku, Secretary (Lili'uokalani), Joanne Kishimori, Treasurer (Kahikuonalani) and Della Kua'ana, Advisor (Kahikuonalani).

The Oahu Council of Hawaiian Churches continue to meet on a quarterly basis. It is a time to not only take care of business but also to share in the joys and sorrows of the OCHCC churches on Oahu island.

At the last meeting of OCHCC, held on April 1st at Kaumakapili church, the council approved new bylaws. Member church delegates would like to thank the Bylaws Committee for a job well done. Members of the committee were: Nana Aiu, Lorna Motas (Kaumakapili) and Laurie Kauleinamoku. The bylaws committee recommended that an increase in church dues was needed to help with the operating expenses of the Oahu council. Annual dues have been increased from \$20 to \$50.00 per church. There are also plans for OCHCC to jumpstart 'Aha Mele. The last one held for Oahu Council was in April, 2015. Leadership is also looking at other alternative ways to fundraise.

Some concerns that the OCHCC has is that of pastoral vacancies in our churches. Churches that are currently without Kahu are: Hau'ula, Ka Hana O Ke Akua and Lili'uokalani Church.

Necrology

Kaumakapili: Patricia Maunakea, June 2016; Baldo Patterson, Oct. 2016;
Solomon Kau, Feb. 2017 and Robert Pelenka, Mar. 2017

Kahikuonalani: Phyllis Bik King Ching, Dec. 2016

Kalihi and Moanalua: Nalani Ubando, Sept. 2016; Leonardo Ubando, Feb. 2017

Respectfully,

Della Kua'ana, Advisor, OCHCC

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**195th `Aha Pae`āina
`Aha `Iki 2017
Maui Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches**

Ka`ahumanu Congregational Church

Kahu Wayne Higa continues to lead Ka`ahumanu Congregational Church as they renovate the sanctuary. The pews were stripped and given a natural stain. Arlene Pi`ihana is a Member in Discernment seeking ordination. Services begin at 9 AM.

Kahakuloa Hawaiian Church

The small congregation continues to seek funds to repair the sanctuary. Sun, wind, rain, and sea salt have compromised the building, which is dear to the community. In April, Richard Ho`opi`i and Willie K performed at a fundraiser on Easter weekend. In June, there is the annual Marathon fundraiser. Please keep Kahakuloa in your prayers.

Keawala`i Congregational Church

Reverend Kealahou Alike has led this congregation for almost 2 decades. Church services are: 7:30 AM and 10:00 AM. The congregation promotes involvement in the community of faith. The Outreach Ministry reaches many community groups.

Keolahou Congregational Hawaiian Church

Keolahou Congregational Hawaiian Church of north Kihei, Maui continues to offer divine worship to an average of 60-70 worshipers each Sunday morning. Communion is served the first Sunday of each month by a retired Presbyterian minister. A variety of local ministers and laypersons rotate the responsibility of preaching the Word. Despite the small membership (23) and the lack of a Settled or Interim Minister the church provides a quality worship experience that draws heavily on Hawaiian culture and traditions including Oli, Mele, Hula and Ukulele. KCHC is committed to perpetuating the Hawaiian culture in partnership with a local Halau by co-sponsoring Sunday afternoon hula lessons and a Thursday night Ukulele jam.

Our mission includes supplementing the needs of the residents of south Maui by providing a weekly food distribution through our Food Pantry Ministry. Several local churches also support the Food Pantry through donations of food and cash. In addition, church volunteers provide a monthly potluck dinner at the Wailuku Homeless Shelter. Our mission also includes the maintenance and updating of church facilities and offer them to local self-help groups for their meetings.

Lāhuiokalani Kā`anapali Congregational Church:

A core group 18 attend church each Sunday but the numbers swell as returning visitors fill our pews. In the last year, our worship team has added more singing prior to the service. It prepares us

for worship. Service each Sunday is at 10 AM. Our on-going project is to build a Hale Ai and provide parking, which is very limited in an area with many condominiums.

Pā`ia Hawaiian Protestant Church

Pā`ia Hawaiian Protestant Church holds worship services with Kahu Roy Newton, whom our membership accepts as our Kahu. Service is at 11 AM.

There are two members that our church are recommending to be in discernment. Exploring this path through AHEC's Church and Ministry is pending. And, there is strong leadership in our youth. We are truly blessed.

Our annual Ho'ike, held in November, was well attended by various Churches and Christ-loving groups who shared their love for Christ through worship & scriptures. Christmas Eve Candlelight Services and a Christmas Day Worship Services were held. Easter Sunrise Service is scheduled.

Olowalu Lanakila Hawaiian Church:

The congregation is comprised of family members, who take turns in leading, serving, and providing the weekly message. Service each Sunday is at 9 AM.

In December 2016 Olowalu Lanakila hosted an `Aha Mele led by Maile Baird of Ko'olau Hui'ia Church on Kauai along with her sister, Pualani Muraki, of Lanakila Congregational Church in west Hawaii. This event, sponsored the Hawaiian Affairs Committee, was a very successful mele. Maile shared many songs from Ni`ihau. She said the tradition in Ni`ihau is to sing **each verse** 3 times. She encouraged this tradition, which helped to write the songs in to our hearts! The next Aha Mele will be in July or August 2017.

Waiola Church UCC:

Waiola UCC in Lahaina is in transition as a new kahu is being sought. Interim Kahu Dennis Alger arrived in July 2016 to assist the congregation in tasks of self-understanding prior to starting work with the Transition/Search Committee, which began its work in April 2017.

Outreach opportunities to the community include: "Trunk or Treat" at Halloween; Appreciation for our first responders on Thanksgiving Sunday, where 12 firefighters on three trucks drove to the church; and monthly family-friendly movie nights on the lawn. Na Kia'i o Waine'e, the fine folks who maintain the historic graveyard and perpetuate research and education continue in their efforts (funded, in part by lei sales on Second Friday and other events). Waiola also welcomes many visitors, especially during winter months. Please pray for our congregation during this time of transition. Service each Sunday is at 9 AM.

The East Maui Hawaiian Ministry
Annual Report
June 14, 2017

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STATE COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES

ANNUAL MEETING

West Hawaii Council
Annual report (July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017)

Member Churches:

Hauoli Kamana‘o	Kauaha‘ao
Helani	Lanakila
Kahikolu	Pukaana

Current Leaders:

President / Helani Representative – Harry Aiu
Vice President / Kauaha‘ao Representative – Walter WongYuen
Secretary / Pukaana Church – Sharon Matsuyama
Treasurer / Kahu Pono Charlene Taketa
Auditor / Kauaha‘ao – Kahu Pono Debbie WongYuen
Advisor / Retired Kahu Meilani McComber

Church Representative:

Hauoli Kamana‘o / Charles Kaupiko / Melveen Kaupiko / Kaimi Kaupiko
Kahikolu / Dolly Andrade
Lanakila / Pualani Muraki / Jim Wiley / Mel Ho‘omanawanui
Pukaana / Patricia Mejia / Glenn Kaiawe / Wryen Kiwaha

Council Business:

1. Work continues on the WHCHCC By-Laws revision
2. Discussed requesting of funds through the 5E’s program to help cover travel expenses for the council president to attend the SCHCC Board Of Directors meetings
3. Review Grant Applications; Information and Procedures
4. Reviewed (3) applications requesting funding from the SCHCC Repair and Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches
5. Reviewed the proposed amendments to the Association Of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches By-Laws; Re: Partnership
6. HCUCC Conference Assessment information

Council Events:

1. Oct. 14 – 15, 2016, Lanakila Congregational Church hosted the Association Of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches Fall Aha Halawai
2. Oct. 28 – 29, 2016, WHCHCC hosted the State Council Of Hawaiian Congregational Churches Board Of Director’s Meeting
3. Nov. 5, 2016, Kauaha‘ao Congregational Church hosted the West Hawaii Fall Hoike and celebrated their 175 years of ministry in Waiohinu
4. May 6, 2017, Pukaana Congregational Church will host the West Hawaii Spring Hoike

Church Reports:

Hauoli Kamana‘o Church: No Report

Helani Congregational Church

Sunday worship service – 10:00 am

Children Sunday School – 10:30 am

Communion, first Sunday of each quarter

Pulpit coverage – one Sunday each month, guest Kahu or guest speaker
other Sundays, church worship leaders

Repair projects:

completed – installing railings for steps

pending – 1. repair damaged walkways

2. waterproof church hall temporary roof

3. repair church south wall

Kahikolu Church – No report

Kauaha‘ao Congregational Church

Sunday service – 10:00 am

Holy Communion – First Sunday of each month

Slate of officers – 2 year term (2017 – 2018)

Moderator: Walter WongYuen

Vice Moderator: Delana Phillips

Secretary: Winona Makuakane

Treasurer: Pattisue Snyder

Church Delegate: Walter WongYuen

Church Council

1 year term: Greg Le Gault

2 year term: Kathy Hashimoto

2 year term: vacant

Repair projects:

completed – 1. roofing of the church hall and chapel

2. electrical work around the building

Lanakila Congregational Church

Sunday service and Sunday School – 9:00 am

Communion and Board of Trustee Meeting – First Sunday of each month

Bible Study – 8:15 am

Officers:

Moderator: Pualani Muraki

Vice Moderator: Jim Wiley

Secretary: Barbie Muraki

Treasurer: Terry Muraki

Board Members; committee chairperson

Sunday School: Kerisa Carmelo

Deacons: Emmalia Leong

Lima Kokua: Lori Marcello

Trustee at Large: Mel Ho‘omanawanui

Mae Nelson

Church Delegate: Pualani Muraki and Jim Wiley

Alternate Delegate: Mel Ho‘omanawanui

150th Anniversary: Church 150th anniversary celebration has been tentatively scheduled for November 2017

Kahu Pono:

Kahu Pono Charlene Taketa returning to the working Class;
Declined the Call To Ministry

Repair projects:

Completed; 1. painting of the interior and exterior of church hall
 2. repairs to update the interior and renovation of kitchen

Pending: 1. church unstable steeple repair
 2. repair Kau side wall

Pukaana Congregational Church

Sunday Service – 8:30 am

Communion service – First Sunday of each month

Pulpit supply: Guest Kahu, Guest Speaker and Members

Communion: Guest Kahu and Sharon Matsuyama

Church activities:

movie night at the Church Hall
mid week song practice

Church projects:

Completed: 1. Xtermco termite fumigation of church facilities
 2. Contractor cut mango tree

Aloha and God’s Blessings to all,

STATE COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES
REPORT OF THE EAST HAWAI'I COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCHES

Annual Meeting, 'Aha Iki
Kamehameha Schools, Maui Campus, Ke'eaumokupāpaiahehe
June 14, 2017

Aloha na hoahānau,

The East Hawai'i Council Member Churches include:

Haili Congregational Church / Kuhio Chapel	'Opihikao Congregational Church
Kalapana Maunakea Congregational Church	Pōhakupuka Congregational Church
Laupāhoehoe Congregational Church	Pu'ula United Church of Christ
Ola'a First Hawaiian Church	

The East Hawai'i Council meets quarterly in conjunction with the East Hawai'i Sunday School Association on Saturday mornings at Haili Congregational Church in Hilo, Hawai'i. We have met on July 23rd, October 1st, 2016, January 7th and April 1st, 2017.

It is a challenge to hold effective meetings, for on July 23, 2016, no quorum was present due to inclement stormy weather and on January 7, 2017, no quorum due to officers being absent. Distribution of materials are being made available with discussions about the items of concerns from the last SCHCC BOD meeting held.

The officers of this Council are:

President	Frank Mulec, 'Opihikao Cong. Church
Vice President	no nominations were presented and still remains open.
Secretary	Margaret Loke Kamanu, Kalapana Maunakea Cong. Church
Treasurer	Elizabeth Liz Salfen, Pu'ula UCC
Auditor	Judith Bailey, Ola'a First Hawaiian Church graciously volunteered

Mahalo Ke Akua,

Frank J Mulec
Frank J. Mulec, President

Enclosure:

Haili / Kuhio Church Report
Kalapana Maunakea Cong. Church Report
Ola'a First Hawaiian Church Report
Pu'ula UCC Report

East Hawaii Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches
Haili Congregational Church
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Our History: The working of God can be first documented in the early history of Haili Congregational Church. First, God used the zeal of Henry Opukahaia, the first Hawaiian convert to Christianity, to inspire New England missionaries to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to his native land. Secondly, six months prior to the arrival of the first missionaries at Kailua, Kana, King Kamehameha II (Liholiho) broke the kapu system of pagan worship. Thirdly, with the spiritual vacuum created by the loss of kapu system, response to the gospel was tremendous on the eastern side of the Big Island especially through the peaching of Rev. Titus Coan, one of the missionaries of the early Hila Mission. The Church grew to over 10,000 members with 1705 Hawaiian baptized on one day alone, perhaps the largest church in the world at that time. Our present building is the fifth, dedicated 1859. The first was a huge thatched roof edifice holding 2,000 people near the present Hila Iron Works. The second and third were in the present Kalakaua Park area, and the fourth built on a rise above the present parking lot of the Sack & Save Store. The church continues today in the same Biblical and Christ-centered ministry as when the Royal Family were a part of our congregation. Jesus Christ is the head of the Church and the Bible is our standard in all matters of faith and practice.

Our Purpose: Haili Church is dedicated to the Lord Jesus Christ (UA LA'A NO IEHOVA). The church exists to bring glory to the triune God, promote Christ's work in Hila and to the nations of the world. The church invites you to share in a personal relationship with God by receiving Jesus as your Lord and Savior. To do this, admit to God that you are a sinner and need to be saved. Then believe the Jesus died on the cross for your sins and invite Him into your heart by faith. Now that you have asked Jesus into your life, we want to welcome you into the family of God! If you do not have a church home, we would love to have you as a part of Haili Church. We love to help you grow in your new relationship with Jesus Christ.

2017 Church leaders: Kahu Brian Welsh, Moderator-Lyndell Lindsey, President-LeeAnn Lindsey, Vice President-Milton Okada, Secretary-Lisanne Kekuewa, Treasurer-Enola-Gay Osorio. Deacons Chairman-Daniel Kawaha, Vice Chairman Kaloa Robinson, Secretary Darren Lee, 5 new deacon added Marilyn Barry, Kevin Hedlund, Norris Delostrico, Glen Dundas and Bruce Kekuewa. Christian Education Director-Lyndell Lindsey, Teachers-Ku'uipo Chapman & Pastor Rodney Chapman, Cynthia Akimseu, Bible Release Time-Advisor- Mary Boyd, Leaders- Darren and Cindy Lee, Deborah Lee, Ku'ulei Hughes-Okada & Cynthia Akimseu. Ministry of Music- Chairperson Lyndell Lindsey, Members-Mike Kawaha, Daniel Kawaha, Kelcey Bufil, Alberta Nathaniel, Ku'ulei Hughes-Okada. Church pianist /organist- Norman Liborio. Haili Church Mission President- Lorna Bufil. Haili Church Publicity Co-Chair Mama Kahu Karen Welsh & Jane Boyd. Stewardship Committee- Ku'ulei Hughes-Okada & LeeAnn Lindsey. Delegate- Cynthia Akimseu.

Sunday Schedule- 8:30am Sunday school at Kuhio Chapel, 9:30am Worship Service at Kuhio Chapel, 9am. Ohana Hour service at Haili Church, 9:30am Sunday school at Haili Church, 11am Worship Service at Haili, **Monday-** Release Time@ Kuhio Chapel. **Tuesday-** Ohana Bible Study. **Wednesday** 5pm Cantata Choir Practice. **Thursday-** 4:30pm Adult Bible Study with Kahu Brian Welsh. **Every day at 12 noon- Pray for our church.** Unity service at Haili every 5 Sunday followed with Pot blessing.

Neurology Form for Hawaiian Churches

Please use this form to provide the names of deceased members.

Name (please print):

Date of Death:

Gladys Etulia Kawaha

July 12, 2016

Henry K. Anakalea

January 27, 2017

Samuel Kawaha

March 15, 2017

Church: Haili Congregational Church / Kuhio Chapel

Association: AHEC, UCC

Island: Hawaii

Submitted By: Lorna M. Butti - Alternate
(Delegate)

Date: 4/5/2017

March 29, 2017
'Aha Iki Handbook Information

Aloha from *Ola'a First Hawaiian Church*. We are located in Kurtistown of the Big Island.

We are blessed to have Kahu Lani Kapuniai as our Pastor at Ola'a. Sunday service begins with Praise and Worship from 10:00 to 10:15 a.m. with Worship Service beginning at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School is available during the weekly service.

Our mission is to worship God, to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ, to promote fellowship and unity within the church and the church universal, and to be a faithful witness of the gospel both here and to the uttermost parts of the world. We acknowledge Jesus Christ as our head and the Bible as the Word of God and our guide in all matters of faith and practice.

Pu'ula Congregational Church
RR4 Box 2358
Pahoa, HI 96778

April 1, 2017 (EHSS and EH Council Meetings)
“For We Walk by faith and not by sight” 2 Corinthian 5:7

Church service have been really blessed by some of our out of town member have returned on vacation and spent several weeks with us. It was so good to see them. We also have new ones coming.

The new thing happening at Pu'ula is the changes around the social hall and outside in preparation of the new preschool for 4 year olds that will be starting up in July. We at church are getting real excited.

Shell Hale is coming along and many of them have jobs and up keeping the house and yard. We are so thankful for this opportunity to help them in their future

Young life is growing and growing and we thank the Lord for this. The leaders are great and the wives and mothers are helping Dorothy retire (but supervise) by doing the cooking. Keep praying for this group that they will not only accept the Lord but growing in looking to help their friends also find the Lord. It a great bunch of kids.

Our Sunday school is growing a little at a time and we have a new family that just moved in Nanawale and their grandchildren just loved it. So we are praying that they will continue coming.

The Aha Mele was a great success and we want to thank all of you who came Thank you so much. For those who missed it, it will be Jan 13 or 20, 2018 Lord willing. Hope to see you all then.

We have attended several Aha Mele this year but sorry when we have to miss any of them

Our Bible class will be starting up a mini one in the summer and the regular one in September. (Some leave for the summer. But it is all good.)

The Recovery Center is doing very well also and we are so thankful for all the people who needs are met there.

Easter is around the corner and we at Pu'ula have met many of our neighbors and hope to see them their on that Special Day remember the" Lord Jesus He Is Risen"

Annual Report of 'Opihikao Congregational Church

April 1, 2017

Aloha and Greetings,

All the praises and thanks go to God, for all the work and activities done of this church, which have been carried on and through the efforts of our Kahu, deacons, and board of directors, the praise team and all the fellow members for this entire year of 2016.

There is no change to the Church membership which remains the same at 21. The average worshippers in attendance has been 31, and on Easter morning service with started at 07:30AM 78 were in attendance. In Sunday School, there are 11 participants and the average in attendance has been 7.

At our general membership meeting held January 10th, election of officers and the following Sunday, January 17th the installation of officers. Also on January 17th, our church member, Kermit Johnson was considered as a candidate for outreach ministry to the United Church of Christ. Kalaupapa Sunday Anniversary was held on January 31st. On February 28th, Cash Kamaha'o Ortiz was presented to the Lord in blessing and also on September 24th, our Kahu Pono Clara's great grandson's blessings and dedication. Celebration of Life for church goer Theresa Janak was held on August 27th. On October 30th, our Kahu Pono installed new deacons Karen Pupuhi, Nancy Bowles, Norman Palacat and Frank Mulec. Papa 'Ohana on November 13th and Christmas Candlelight on December 24th.

On February 27th, three of our church leaders were sent to 'Oahu for the Church Leaders Event. Our Auditor, Dan McUsic resigned after moving to Kona and Frank Mulec resigned as President as of October 9th.

On the first Sunday of each month is our collection of non-perishable food items, Communion Service followed by Potluck Luncheon open to the community. On the last Wednesday of the month from 12:30 to 1:30PM has been the Food Basket distribution with Karen Pupuhi as our coordinator. She graciously started to provide a hot meal with desert being donated and distributed in conjunction with the food distribution. We always have new people show up each month.

We had special offerings received, One Great Hour of Sharing on March 13th, Strengthen the Church on May 29th, Neighbors in Need and Christmas Fund on December 11th. Our annual Christmas Shoe Box ministry resulted in 27 shoe boxes.

It has been a challenge and a test for all the church members this past year due to our Kahu Pono Clara Daog being on Family Leave of Absence, caregiving her husband Consuelo and the absence of Norman Palacat, our Sunday School Superintendent and teacher caregiving his wife Maile.

On Sunday, February 14th, in lieu of our general membership meeting, a very informative Fight the Bite, Mosquito Trap Building Workshop was held. We have held nine general membership and board of director's meetings. Also held during the year have been six work days usually on the third Saturdays.

Twice the church has replaced the missing propane tanks, in February and in December. Also missing has been the gasoline container with gas to include a 12 volt battery and battery charger from the generator room.

The church delegate, Nancy attended the 'Aha Makua on June 10-11 and with Frank at the 'Aha Iki on June 8-9 at Central Union Church. The Church was represented at the Hawai'i Island Association Spring 'Aha Mokupuni on April 16th at Church of the Holy Cross and Fall 'Aha Mokupuni on November 19th at Imiola Cong. Church in Waimea.

The Church was also represented at all the East Hawai'i Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches and the East Hawai'i Sunday School Association meetings throughout the year.

We have been blessed to attend the Pu'ula Ho'ike on January 16th, Haili Cong. Church/Kuhio Chapel Ho'ike on March 12th, Laupahoehoe Ho'ike on August 6th, Olaa First Hawaiian Ho'ike on September 17th and Pohakupuka Ho'ike on October 8th.

Our Ho'ike was held on November 12th. Continuing work is needed with the spiritual body of our church, the Church Policy Manual and the New Member/Discipleship Handbook.

May Gods' Blessings continue to flow, God bless you all.

Thus ends the report for the year of 2016, starting January 1st through December 31st.



KALAPANA MAUNAKEA 1st HAWAIIAN
CHURCH EHSS & EHC Report April 1, 2017
State Council Report for the Aha ki

I will love thee, O Lord, my strength? The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower. Psalms 18:1-2

We are in the Holy Season and it is always a time for reflection and thanksgiving that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ gave his life for us during this time so that we can have everlasting life. He now is our strength, our rock, our fortress in times of trouble. He is our delivery and strength in whom we have complete trust to be with us through all trials and tribulations. He is our buckler, our defense and we thank him always for our salvation and his love and grace covers all of us and we likewise should always share our love and grace as well.

At Kalapana Maunakea Congregational Church Kahu Michael Warren continues to serve our Kalapana Congregation. At their last Annual meeting elections were done and their officers are: Moderator- Loke Kamanu, Vice- Moderator- Kimo Peleiholani-Biankenfeld, Secretary- Marilyn Egner, Treasurer- Angella Warren, and Diaconate Head -Ilona Makanani. We have Sunday services at 10:45. Each 1st Sunday we have 'Ai Pelena or Holy Communion Sunday. We break bread and enjoy each other's company following the service with a Pot Blessing each of those Lapule. On Friday, we have Praise Team practice in the evening. Wednesdays at 7:00pm we have bible studies lead by Kahu Mike or Brother Hernandez. Our youth does our Sunday service each 5th Sunday of the year. We continue to be blessed by their learning and giving back to the church. They do the praise and worship as well! We continue to help families in need and have most recently helped a family who were displaced. Each 2nd Friday of the month, Kalapana does a community feeding at the Pahoia Recreational Center for those in need. At that time we also dispense food packages for those who come. The people are hungry and need the word too. We also have an emergency food basket which is kept busy and it is our Kahu who responds and delivers food to families in need. Keep our people in prayer and the community we all face struggles and yet continue in the faith by the strength that the Lord gives to us.

January was Hebedoma for Kalapana and we had our families meet and share in scripture and song during that time. We had children from 3 years old to 86 years young. The Lord continues to bless us always as we glorify and lift his name on high. In January was Pu'ula's Hoike and sadly our leaders were unable to be there in person but in spirit we always raise up our neighbors in the Lord Puula church and enjoy attending Hoike with them.

Our church hired a van and attended the Hoike at Hau'oli Kamana'o church in the month of February. It was a time of sharing and we continue to reach out to our Hawaiian churches far and wide so that they know that we care for them and love to fellowship praising God's holy name.

In March there were two very special occasions that we shared. The first was our Alii Sunday wherein which our benevolent Hawaiian Societies come and join us in service. In addition, they

either sing or share scripture or speak regarding Ke Akua and how he works in their lives. We are always blessed to have them gather at our Hale Pule and we mahalo ke Akua for the continued traditions this brings. Also, we were able to attend Haili's Hoike and what a joyous time in the Lord that was. We always count it a joy to share in Hoike with our sister churches across the island. We look forward to the following churches' hoike that will be coming up this year and those churches are: Kalapana Maunakea, Laupahoehoe, Ola'a, Pohakupuka, Opihikao, and finally our Christmas Aha Mele that we all share together on the first Friday of December.

In April we look forward to our Easter Services as we reflect throughout the Holy Season on our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. With Palm Sunday coming up and Maundy Wednesday we look to the word and find grace in our Father God's word that leads us to know him deeper. Our children love the stories relating to life everlasting, but they really enjoy the Easter egg hunt held annually. We give thanks for them and the joy they bring.

Our children and church just participated in a campout that was held in Milolii and was opened to all churches island as well as state wide. They were there for 4 days and did learning about the bible, building trust in the Lord, learning to be leaders in their churches by being leaders in the activities done there. What a beautiful place for learning and seeing God in his wonder and splendor.

We continue to have our challenges with the railings that still need to be built on our stairway. Each Lapule we try to keep people off the stairs especially the young and the old, as they are a danger without rails. We pray for everyone who uses the stairs and our parking lot is at the bottom of the stairs. Perhaps our Kupuna ran out of money to build the railing...we are not sure but we do know that it is necessary and we continue to see ways to address that danger. Our water lines as well continue to be a problem and still need to be repaired properly as they were damaged since the time of the last hurricane that came through our state. The continued leaking of the pipes is a problem that we just continue to bear with by digging and replacing pipes as they become apparent. Pray for us that the Board of Water Supply and the Powers that be see their kuleana is helping to repair this problem that affects all of us.

The Lord teaches us that through struggles we learn perseverance. And that through perseverance we learn hope and hope teaches us to build character and strength...it does not put us to shame but it springs forth the Holy Spirit who comforts and protects us. So we struggle, we all do. But our faith is in our Lord and in him we pray both day and night. His grace is sufficient and his love is abundant for all. We love and continue to pray for all of you.

Mahalo no e Ke Akua.



Loke Kamanu, Moderator
Kalapana Maunakea Church



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June 14-15, 2017
'Aha Iki
Luna Ho'omalua Report
To the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches

ACTION ITEMS OF THE ASSOCIATION

December 10, 2016 ~ AHEC Board of Director's Meeting

- Motion was passed to create a Special Internal Audit Committee of no less than 3 members to perform an audit AHEC Accounts.
- Motion was passed to provide full Nā Lima Hō'ike "E" grants for those interested in attending Pu'ā Foundation Mana Wahine Gathering at Aulani Disney Resort on Jan 12-15, 2017 – Registration \$250, Hotel \$250, plus airfare; and, to waive 1/3 church participation requirement.
- Budget & Finance
 - Motion passed to separate offerings vs scholarship lūlū collected at each 'Aha worship service.
 - Add \$5,000 to the 2016-17, #6140 budget line
 - Move \$2,775 from General Fund to 6140.1 budget line
- Church & Ministry
 - Motion from Committee passed to grant licencesure to Lani Kapuni'ai as Kahu Pono for Ola'a Congregational Church.
- Programs Committee
 - Motion passed by Board to approve Leni English from Paia Hawaiian Protestant Church as new Chair of the Programs Committee
- Old Business
 - Motion **failed to not** accept the resignation of Pu'ukū Toni Ka'a'a – 4, Aye, 5 Nay, 2 Abstained. Resignation was accepted.
 - Board Approved by Consensus to accpet the resignation of Luella Lemn as Chair of the Bylaws Committee and the appointment of Kahu Anela Roas as Chair ProTem.
 - Motion passed to approve Kerisa Carmelo as Temporary Pu'ukū unil Fall 'Aha Halawai in February, 2017.

February 17-18, 2017 ~ AHEC Fall 'Aha Halawai ~ Kahikūonālani Church

- Pre – Installation Action
 - Motion passed unanimously to affirm Kerisa Carmelo as Pu'ukū to complet the term of former Pu'ukū.
 - Motion passed unanimously to affirm Leni English as the New Chair of the Programs Committee
 - Motion passed unanimously to affirm Co-Chairs, Kahu Anela Rosa and Loke Kamanu over the Bylaws Committee.

- Installation Service of
 - Papa Makua was officiated and completed at Opening Worship by Luna Hoomalu. It was reported that although the Papa Makua was elected at 'Aha Pae'āina in June, 2016, he was not duly installed.
 - Installation of New Exec Officer, Pu'ukū, Kerisa Carmelo and Committee Chairs of Programs & Bylaws Committees performed by Papa Makua, Kenneth Makuakane as part of the Opening Worship.
- Rules on Minutes Contested The practice of providing copies of the Board Minutes to the delegates at an "Aha was contested by Kahu Mike Warren, stating the only minutes the delegate members at 'Aha Halawai should be reviewing were the minutes from the last 'Aha Halawai. After much debate and discussion, the issue was resolved and a motion was passed that the delegate members, for the sake of transparency and information, will receive all Board Minutes but approve only 'Aha Halawai minutes. 19-Aye, 11-Nay, Motion Carried.
- State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches stated they will plan and host the 2018 'Aha Iki. Aileen Trout will oversee the Makēkē Fundraiser for SCHCC. More details to follow at a later time.
- Motion passed to accept Interim Kahu Dennis Algers, Interim Pastor at Waiola Church, Lāhaina, Maui as an Associate Member of AHEC.
- Motion passed to have Kahu Anela Rosa act as Moloka'i Representative, ProTem until 'Aha Iki.
- Motion passed to have Kauanoe Ho'omanawanui act as Kaua'i Representative, Pro Tem until 'Aha Iki
- Motion passed to create a Papa Makua Discretionary Fund not to exceed \$1,000 a month for personal, Hawaiian Cultural makana, and other expenses not covered by the Hawai'i Conference.
- Motion passed by consensus to have Haleaka Martin, Pualani Muraki, Lorna Mota and Kerisa Carmelo to serve on Temporary Audit Set Up Committee. Pualani and Lorna will do the actual audit.
- Motion passed unanimously to create an Investments Committee as a sub-committee of the Budget & Finance Committee, to keep better track on Investments with the Conference Foundation and United Church Fund.
- Motion passed by consensus to have Rachel Kaiama, Andrew Agard, Pualani Muraki, Mel Ho'omanawanui and Pu'ukū Kerisa Carmelo, as Ex-Officio, serve on the Investments Committee.

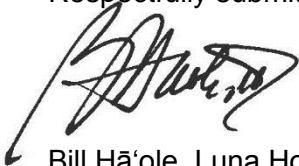
March 18, 2017 ~ AHEC Board of Directors Meeting

- Chair of Church & Ministry raised a question on the authority of the Luna Ho'omalua to install the Papa Makua. It was contended the C&M Committee should have been informed and should have officiated over the installation. After much discussion, it was resolved that the C&M would reinstall the Papa Makua at the Opening Worship of the 'Aha Iki.
- We were not able to complete our Business Agenda due too much time was consumed by reports and debates on some report items. We will resume business meeting in a May meeting.

‘Aha Iki Updates

- **Opening Service Installation of Papa Makua:** AHEC Church & Ministry will be performing an official installation of the Papa Makua of our Association. The service will be part of the Opening Services of the ‘Aha Pae‘āina and ‘Aha Iki on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 9:00 AM in the Keōpūolani Auditorium at Kamehameha Schools Maui Campus. All churches and Partner Ministry attendees may share makana aloha with the Papa Makua at this time.
- **Necrology Service:** Observance of members from our churches that have passed on to our Father in Heaven will be honored with a symbolic bouquet of flowers at the Opening Service of the ‘Aha Iki on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 9:00 AM. Family or Church members of those being remembered are invited to present a rose (to be provided) to be include in the bouquet at the alter during this memorial service. The bouquet will stand in solemn state throughout the ‘Aha Pae‘āina.
- **Closing Service to Honor Kahu Charles Buck:** Kahu Buck will be sharing the message at the Closing Worship of the ‘Aha Iki. We will also be sharing our aloha and mahalo to Kahu Buck in a special tribute by the AHEC Church & Ministry during this worship service on Thursday, June 15, 2017 at 3:00 PM in the Ke‘ōpūolani Auditorium at KS Maui Campus. All churches and Partner Ministry attendees may share makana aloha with the Kahu Buck at this time.
- **Grand Lū‘au to Honor Kahu Charles Buck:** We will continue to share aloha and mahalo with Kahu Charles Buck at a Grand Lū‘au following the closing services of the ‘Aha Iki. . The admission to the lū‘au is included with ‘Aha Iki full-registration fee. **Limited amount of tickets at \$10 per person may be purchased at the opening registration of the ‘Aha Iki and at the door if tickets are still available.** Only 250 seats will be available for this event.
- **‘Aha Mele:** In order to ensure appropriate honor to Kahu Buck at the Thursday evening “Grand Lū‘au, the ‘Aha Mele has been cancelled for this year and will resume next year.

Respectfully submitted,



Bill Hā'ole, Luna Ho'omalū
Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches.



MEMO:

TO: State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches Board of Directors
FROM: Toni Bissen, Executive Director
DATE: June 2017
RE: Pū'ā Foundation Report

Aloha Kakou –

Lots of great things going on at the Pū'ā Foundation, mahalo for the opportunity to share, last time I submitted a report was at the last board meeting – 4/22/17. This report is being presented as a part of the Aha Iki annual meeting and will reflect information from June 2016 through May 2017.

2016 to 2017 – Summary for the Year/Recap:

- **Meetings Held & Attended** - – 10/28/16, 10/29/16 1/28/17, & 4/22/17
- **2016 & 2017 Plan – Pū'ā & SCHCC – Social Justice & Reconciliation work–Trauma, Healing, Justice**
 - **THE “WHAT”:**
 - **Offer Training on Trauma and Transformation** and the understanding of Individual, Community and Historical Trauma, and strategies of Recovery and Healing – for Individual Healing and Well-being and Community Healing and Well-being; Working toward reconciliation of the past to the present to build a better future for all of Hawaii.
 - **Develop partnerships** – public/private partnerships to understand the adverse affects of trauma and how to identify, “time, talents and treasures” and connect those resources to the needs to strengthening families affected by trauma / incarceration. GOAL – Reduce recidivism
 - **Outreach and Networking** – SCHCC, AHEC, UCC networks, related to the Hawaiian Mission Houses Historic Site and Archives; Bailey House Museum / Maui Historical Society; Kauai opportunities and Hawaii Island opportunities

- **THE “HOW”:**
 - **TRAUMA TRAINING / CAPACITY BUILDING / ORGANIZING:**
 - Oahu
 - 8/12/16, 8/20/16, 8/27/16, 9/2/16 – Mentor Training & Certification
 - 9/9/16, 9/10/16, 9/11/16 – “Breaking the Cycle” Workshop; Family Retreat – Chaminade University
 - 10/1/16, 10/9/16, 10/10/16 – UCC Youth Camp – assisted with agenda development, training camp counselors, & running sessions at camp
 - 10/14/16 – outreach meeting with members of Women’s Board, other faith organizations – Methodist and St. Andrews
 - Maui
 - 3/4/16 – Training/Community Outreach & Organizing
 - 3/4/16 – Training w/QLCC; Ua Mau Ke Ea – Bailey House
 - 3/5/16 – VILAC – Training/Community Outreach & Organizing
 - 4/8/16 – Training/Community Outreach & Organizing
 - 4/9/16 – Training w/QLCC; Ua Mau Ke Ea – Bailey House
 - 5/13/16 – Training / Ua Mau Ke Ea – Bailey House
 - 5/14/16 – Aha Mokupuni – Tri-Isle Presentation
 - 7/9/16, 7/30/16 – Maui Summer Enrichment Program
 - Hawaii
 - 6/8/16 – Laupahoehoe Community Outreach, Organizing & Training
 - 6/23/16 – Laupahoehoe Community Outreach, Organizing & Training
 - 7/29/16 – Hilo Community Organizing & Training
 - Kauai
 - 2/18/17 – Bodacious Women For Christ – Presentation
 - 4/28/17 – Aha Mokupuni – Workshop Presentation

Updates:

Continuing to build community and form partnerships – public, private, faith-based organizations, justice involved peers, families, and supporters. Aspiration: Community Healing and Well-being; Individual Healing and Well-being. Actualize Aspiration: Going from Trauma to Transformation; Developing Resources to Meet the Need – through organizing, capacity building and training.

SCHEDULE FOR THE REST OF 2017

Plan/Partnership/Schedule:

Maui – 7/1/17 – partnering with Kaahumanu Church for Maui Coming Home Consortium effort and Special Event

Oahu – Ua Mau Ke Ea – Workshops: 6/8/17, 7/13/17, 8/10/17, 9/14/17, 10/12/17, 11/9/17;
Film & Forum 7/28/17, 11/28/17

Report of the Conference Minister 195th `Aha Pae`aina

Although the assessment process this last year was a major topic in the life of the Hawai`i Conference, the ministry and mission of the Hawai`i Conference continued unabated. The reports of this `Aha Handbook recount many of the ways in which we accomplished God's work together and in partnership. Unmentioned—and equally important—are the many more ways they happen through the quiet and loving labor of each of our churches and individual members.

In this report, I share these highlights and areas of note.

Mission Support

Support from churches and individuals to the ministries of the Hawai`i Conference and the United Church of Christ was extremely strong in 2016.

Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM), representing church giving, stood at about \$288,000. This was just under the previous year's total, and most notable was the large increase in numbers of Hawaiian churches giving to OCWM and the increase in total giving by Hawaiian churches.

The year-end invitation to give to Friends of the Conference, which is support received from individuals, resulted in a record high of just over \$19,000, which is an over 45% increase above the previous year. We are grateful to these Friends of the Conference whose total giving has increased consistently every year since 2011.

There are many beneficiaries of our solid support, locally and world-wide. A new OCWM brochure/poster helps to explain in pictures and words the impact of our giving. If you need copies, please contact the Conference Office.

Mission Partnerships

The Hawai`i Conference is in a formal mission partnership with two church bodies.

Our long-standing partnership with the Micronesian Council United Church of Christ (MCUCC) continues the connection first made when missionaries from Hawai`i were sent to Kosrae beginning in 1852. Through this partnership, we participate directly in mission efforts (in cooperation with Wider Church Ministries of the UCC), and we are kept informed of needs of Marshallese and Micronesian churches that are established in Hawai`i and on the U.S. continent. I attend MCUCC meetings annually, including the last, which took place in Kosrae last month.

A more recent partnership is the one established at last year's `Aha Pae`aina with the South Seoul Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea. In April, the Rev. Curtis Kekuna and I were invited to Seoul to attend the formal recognition on the Korean side by the Presbytery and to lay the groundwork for local church-to-local church partnerships. We are hoping that delegations from local churches in Hawai`i will visit the South Seoul Presbytery this coming fall.

UCC Participation

Numerous persons from Hawai`i serve on boards, committees and ministries of the wider United Church of Christ. This involvement not only strengthens the denomination, but also keeps us connected in covenant. We give thanks to these persons for their service to the bodies listed after their names:

- *Caroline Belsom* (Waiola), UCC Board, Cornerstone Fund Board
- *Frances Wong* (Church of the Crossroads), UCC Board
- *Eleanore Chong* (Central Union), Habakkuk Group (revising the Manual on Ministry)

- *Frank Jahrling* (Kaumakapili), Retirement Housing Foundation Board of Directors
- *Norma DeSaegher* (Waialua UCC), Retirement Housing Foundation Board of Directors
- *Kekapa Lee* (First Chinese), Habakkuk Group Reader
- *Kenneth Makuakane*, Authorizing Ministry 21 Planning Group
- *Sherman Hee*, Church Building and Loan Fund Loan Committee
- *Charles Buck*, Council on Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations, United Church Funds Board of Directors, Chalice Press Board of Directors, Council of Conference Ministers

Ministerial Transitions

A number of ministerial transitions have occurred since the last `Aha Pae`aina. Ministers who are new to Hawai`i are:

- *Bill Hawk* (from Montana, called to Hokuhoa UCC as interim pastor)
- *Dennis Alger* (from Oregon, called to Waiola Church as interim pastor)
- *Malcolm Carr* (from Pennsylvania, called and installed as Pastor of Lihue Christian Church)
- *Charles Poole* (from California, called to churches of Topside Moloka`i as interim pastor)
- *Florentino Cordova* (from California, called as Pastor of Iao UCC).

Licensed ministers newly recognized are:

- *David Blevins* (Imiola Congregational Church)
- *Lani Kapuni`ai* (Ola`a Hawaiian Church)

Ministers who have died and whose service we will honor at this `Aha Pae`aina are *Lloyd Young, Armin Kroehler, Dana Ka`ohelauli`i, Lon Rycraft, and Margery Terpstra.*

Conference Staff

The staff of the Hawai`i Conference is a hard-working, variously skilled group of individuals who share a dedication to the mission. Like any family or church, it is constantly changing. This last year, we bid farewell to two very faithful colleagues.

- *Lee Henry-Chang*, who was my executive assistant, resigned at the end of April to accept an invitation to work with Kupu, a local, non-profit that provides training programs in conservation for youth.
- *Sarah Jones*, who served as a part-time associate conference minister while pastor of Lana`i Union Church, resigned at the end of May from both positions to become a Pacific Health Ministry chaplain at Wilcox Memorial Hospital on Kaua`i.

Closing Remarks

On a personal note, my last day in the Conference Office will be Friday, June 23. After that time, I will be with our Hawai`i Conference delegation at General Synod in Baltimore until the close on July 4, at which time I will formally end my service as Conference Minister.

In the April 2017 issue of *The Friend*, I expressed my feelings about having served in this position. In summary, I have been impressed and inspired by the example of faith and service that so many of you are living out in your churches and in your personal lives and vocations. Thank you for the privilege of allowing me to walk beside you these last thirteen years.

Me ke aloha pumehana,
Charles Buck
Conference Minister
Hawai`i Conference of the United Church of Christ

PAPA MAKUA

2017 'Aha Pae'āina Annual Report

Aloha nui kākou,

As Papa Makua, I am called by Ke Akua to do the work of ministry among you, empowered by ka 'Uhane Hemolele and equipped with the armor of God. My call is to the pastoral kuleana and the life of each Kahu and each Kalawina church in our beloved Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches as well as all the other Kalawina churches in the Hawai'i Conference United Church of Christ.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12: Two are better off than one, because together they can work more effectively. If one of them falls down, the other can help him up.

Teamwork is all around us in life. We see it in marriages, businesses, neighborhoods, churches, etc. God loves to see Christians working together submitting to God's will. Think of Christianity as the old Kress Store or Woolworths. It is one store, but there are many different departments within that store. One department can do things another cannot, but they still have the same goal.

In churches, we have different duties. Some are deacons, some are Sunday school teachers, while others are greeters. But we are all part of this store, this ministry, this church, this body of God.

May we continue to do the work of Ke Akua with much thanksgiving and joy in our hearts, minds and soul.

Ke Akua Pū,



Kenneth Makuakāne

Papa Makua

Church Visits

- Keolahou Congregational Church, Ka'ahumanu Church, Kaulanapueo Congregational Church, Lāhuiokalani Kā'anapali Congregational Church, Pā'ia Hawaiian Protestant Church, Waiola Church, Keawala'i Church, Olowalu Lanakila Hawaiian Church, Kalua'aha Congregational Church, Ho'olehua Congregational Church, Kala'iakamanu Hou Church, Waialua Congregational Church, Koolauhuiia Protestant Church, Kapa'a First Hawaiian Church, Hanapēpē First Hawaiian Church, 'Opihikao Congregational Church, 'Ōla'a First Hawaiian Church, Lanakila Congregational Church, Kauahā'ao Congregational Church, Kalapana Maunakea Congregational Church, Henry Opukaha'ia/Hōkūloa Chapel, Puka'ana Congregational Church, Kahikolu Church, Helani Church, Haili Congregational Church, Lili'uokalani Protestant Church, Kawaiaha'o Church, Kaumakapili Church, Kahikuonālani UCC, Ka Hana O Ke Akua Church, Hau'ula Congregational Church

Church Changes

- *Waiola Church*: Jeff Crews resigned as pastor. Dennis Alger called as Interim Minister on July 2016.
- *Lili'uokalani*: Sharon Inake finished her call as Interim Minister December 2016.
- *Koolauhuiia Protestant Church*: Kahu Rennie Mau ended his call on January 31, 2017.
- *Ka Hana O Ke Akua Church*: Kahu Wendi Gordon ended her call April 23, 2017.
- *'Ōla'a First Hawaiian Church*: Lani Kapuniai is called as pastor. Recognition service held March 11, 2017.
- *Bishop Memorial Church*: Kahu Kordell Kekoa ended his chaplaincy May 21, 2017.
- *Kahikuonālani UCC*: Dedication of new church building August 28, 2017.
- *Kaumakapili Church*: David Hirano ended his call as Interim Minister on January 31, 2017. No Interim Minister called. Church will be handled by Interim Team. Search committee in session to find next settled minister.
- *Kawaiaha'o Church*: Curt Kekuna ends his call in August 2017. A search process is presently in place.
- *Haili Congregational Church*: Associate Minister Gaymond Apaka passed away.
- *Kamehameha Schools Hawai'i Campus*: Middle School Religious Education Instructor Gaymond Apaka passed away.

AHEC Churches without Kahu (15)

- Hau'ula Congregational Church, Kah Hana O Ke Akua Church, Kaumakapili Church, Lili'uokalani Protestant Church, Henry Opukaha'ia/Hōkūoa Chapel, Laupāhoehoe Congregational Church, Puka'ana Congregational Church, Helani Church, Kalanikahua Hou Church, Kaulanapueo Congregational Church, Keolahou Congregational Church, Lāhuiokalani Kā'anapali Congregational Church, Olowalu Lanakila Hawaiian Church, Waihe'e Protestant Church, Kalua'aha Congregational Church, Koolauhuiia Protestant Church

Association Meetings

- Board meetings were held on August 6, 2016, December 10, 2016, March 18, 2017, and May 6, 2017.
- 2016 Fall 'Aha Hālāwai was held at Lanakila Congregational Church on October 14-15, 2016.
- 2017 Spring 'Aha Hālāwai was held at Kahikuonālani UCC on February 17-18, 2017.

Special Events

- Nā Hīmeni Workshop at Olowalu Lanakila Church with Maile Baird
- Affirmation of Installation Service at Central Union Church for UCC General Minister and President John Dorhauer
- Clergy Retreat at Ala Moana Hotel with Rev. John Dorhauer
- 2016 Fall Youth Camp at Camp Mokulē'ia
- 'Aha O Nā Kahu Retreat October 12-13, 2016, with Rev. Two Bulls in Hilo and Kona
- State Council Retreat October 28-29, 2016, in West Hawai'i
- West Hawai'i Council Hō'ike at Kaunahā'ao Congregational Church November 5, 2016
- 'Opihikao Church Hō'ike November 12, 2016
- Kalapana Maunakea Church Community Thanksgiving at Pāhoa Community Center November 19, 2016
- Kala'iakamanu Hou 150th Anniversary November 26, 2016
- AM21 Conference in San Antonio, Texas, November 28-December 3, 2016
- Kawaiaha'o Church Hebedoma Week January 2-7, 2017
- Pū'ā Foundation Conference, Mana Wahine, at 'Aulani Hotel January 12-15, 2017
- PJRC Ho'oku'ikahi Remembrance Service for Lili'uokalani at Kaumakapili Church January 17, 2017
- Church & Ministry Committees Workshop January 18-21, 2017
- Special MESA meeting with AHEC Church & Ministry January 21, 2017
- Church Leaders Event at Central Union Church February 25, 2017

- Clergy Retreat in Kona March 6-8, 2017, on Multiple Religious Belonging
- United Church Funds Endowment Workshop March 24, 2017
- Nā Hīmeni concert at Hanapēpē First Hawaiian Church May 13, 2017



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2017 Aha Iki of the 195th Aha Pae'aina
Kamehameha Schools – Maui

SCHCC Annual Meeting
June 14, 2017

Aloha Kakou,

In October 2016, the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches (SCHCC) held a two (2) days Board of Director's Meeting in West Hawaii, hosted by the West Hawaii Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches. We had the opportunity to visit and talk story with representatives of Helani, Lanakila, Kahikolu, Pukaana, Hauoli Kamanao, and Kauahaao, member Churches of the West Hawaii Council.

In particular, the history of Henry Opukahaia as shared by Gordon Leslie, at Kahikolu in Napoopoo, and Kahu Pono Debbie Wong Yuen, at the Henry Opukahaia Chapel in Punaluu, was very educational for us. Mahalo to Gordon and Debbie for the valuable information.

The Bicentennial Anniversary of the Mission House Museum will be celebrated in 2020 and we are happy to share that Auntie Aletha Kaohi has been appointed, by the SCHCC Board, to represent the SCHCC on the planning committee. On another "planning" note, the SCHCC will take the lead with the planning of the 2018 Aha Iki for the 196th Aha Pae'aina.

Since the Aha Makua of the 194th Aha Pae'aina, we have come through a season of hate, anger, un-forgiveness and love which was triggered by complaints and concerns raised by a group who were dissatisfied with the Hawaii Conference United Church of Christ (HCUCC). To address the group's concern, a Consultant was hired to conduct interviews with individuals and focus groups, which resulted in an assessment summarized by that Consultant. The Assessment has been made available on-line by the HCUCC.

The Conference Council of the HCUCC, recently approved the appointment of the SCHCC as Custodians of the Katherine and Clay Wery Fund. The SCHCC has begun discussion on the purpose and use of the funds.

The Repair & Maintenance Fund, a line item in the Hawaii Conference Foundation budget, remains at \$40,000.00, after efforts by the SCHCC (as Custodians) to increase that allocation failed.

On a bittersweet note, Kahu Charles Buck has announced his resignation as Conference Minister. On a happier note, his resignation stems from a job promotion offered to his wife Susan, which she accepted. Our best wishes and blessings on a new chapter of their journey.

With the recent notice of Kahu Buck's resignation, an Intentional Interim Search Committee has been formed and Kahu Kealahou Alika will represent the SCHCC on that Committee.

As FY 2016 – 2017 comes to a close, the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches continues advocating on behalf of our Hawaiian Churches of the Hawaii Conference.

In His Service,
Boyd Matsuyama

Boyd Matsuyama
SCHCC President



*Hawaii Conference United Church of Christ
195th Aha Pae'aina*

*State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches
Aha Iki
June 14, 2017*

Advisor's Report

Aloha mai kakou,

As this year comes to an end, I share again, my role in this organization.

As Advisor, for the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches (SCHCC), my role is very basic. Simply put, my role as Advisor is to advise and support the President and the Board of Directors. More importantly, though, in order to be an effective Advisor, I continue to be observant and be a "better listener" as the year has progressed.

As a reminder, a main part of the SCHCC logo is the taro with the many leaves sprouting out of the top of the taro. The thought, when that logo was selected many years ago, was that the taro is a very important part of the Hawaiian culture because it is considered the "piko" or the center of life, as I believe Ke Akua is the "piko" of our Spiritual life. The leaves sprouting out of the taro are the partnership ministries that we share, with the Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches (AHEC), Pu'a Foundation and all the Hawaiian Churches that we advocate for. This continues to be my interpretation.....my perception, my opinion.

In preparing for this report, I remember and graciously remind us that as we continue to work together, as partners, that it is even more important to listen and communicate so that everyone is kept informed of any changes that will affect our Unity. Lack of communication and no trust will destroy relationships.

If our lives, as leaders, and the life of our churches are to be enriched, we need to live by the values we keep talking about with **Ho'omana** and **Malama** and I share, again, Auntie Aletha Kaohi's (a Hawaiian woman of wisdom) expression of **HO'OMANA** (worship/spirituality) and **MALAMA** (care);

H	Hilina'i (trust)	M	Ma'ema'e (cleanliness / purity)
O	"Ohana (family/ family prayers)	A	'Ano'ai (greeting)
O	'Oia'i'o (truth / faithfulness)	L	Lokomaika'i (generosity)
M	Mahalo (praise)	A	Ahonui (patience)
A	Aloha (love / compassion)	M	Miki'ala (alert / prompt)
N	Na'au pono (upright / just)	A	'Apono (approve / accept)
A	Akua (God / spirit)		

To the SCHCC Board of Directors, its Officers, the Island Council Presidents / Representatives, the Committee Chairs, the Resource Coordinator and Partnership Ministries, mahalo for your desire to be mission driven and for your outstanding leadership representing the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches. It continues to be my privilege serving as Advisor to this Council.

God's Blessings,

Sharon Matsuyama

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STATE COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES
NEW MEMBERSHIP PROCEDURES

New churches will be formed from time to time, desiring to be *considered for and accepted* as a member of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches.

The responsibility of recognizing new churches, into the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches, is that of the Island Council.

Pre-requisite for Membership:

- 1) The New Church must be a member of an Association of the Hawaii Conference of the United Church of Christ (*i.e. Kauai, Oahu, Tri-Isle (Maui, Moloka'i, Lana'i), Hawai'i or AHEC*) who/which embraces Hawaiian cultural practices, including its language, its values and its traditions.
- 2) The New Church shall present a letter seeking membership and its church bylaws to the Island Council within whose bounds it is located.
- 3) An Island Council, having received such a letter and bylaws, from the New Church, shall inquire as to its understanding of the United Church of Christ Polity.
Membership requires commitment to attend and be an active participant at all Island Council Meetings and events, as well as be up-to-date with the payment of membership dues as required.
- 4) Upon reviewing the required documents and insuring that the New Church candidate understands and is in agreement with the United Church of Christ Polity, the Island Council shall present its recommendation to the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches Board of Directors.
- 5) The State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches having received the recommendation of the Island Council shall, at its discretion, vote on membership.
- 6) Upon acceptance, the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches shall conduct a Service of Covenant at its Annual Meeting (the Aha Iki) during the Aha Pae'aina.

Note: *If a New Church candidate is not a member of an Association of the Hawaii Conference of the United Church of Christ (i.e. Kauai, Oahu, Tri-Isle (Maui, Moloka'i, Lana'i), Hawai'i or AHEC) but embraces Hawaiian cultural practices, including its language, its values and its traditions, the Island Council may consider Associate Membership status (as outlined in 2, 3, 4 and 5).*

(Accepted / approved 8/2015)

THE CONSTITUTION
of the
STATE COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES
(Affiliate Organization of the Hawai‘i Conference of the United Church of Christ)

PREAMBLE

The State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches celebrates and nourishes its biblical roots in the Christian faith, while sustaining the richness of Hawaiian traditions and cultural values. The State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches draws together Churches which strive to create opportunities for spiritual growth, leadership and commitment in order to attain a common vision. This vision embraces the nurturing of all people to become instruments for building a better world and community.

ARTICLE I: NAME

This Council shall be known as the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches (hereinafter referred to as the SCHCC), an affiliate organization of the Hawai‘i Conference of the United Church of Christ (hereinafter referred to as the HCUCC).

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

To advocate at all levels of the Hawai‘i Conference of the United Church of Christ in the best interest of the Hawaiian churches.

ARTICLE III: POLITY

The SCHCC is a voting member of the HCUCC, as described in the Charter and Bylaws of that organization.

The governance of the SCHCC is vested in its member churches, who shall exercise the right of control in all its affairs subject to the laws of the State of Hawai‘i.

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Members

1. Member churches of the SCHCC; Island Councils, within the HCUCC.
2. Member churches embracing Hawaiian cultural practices, including its language, its values and its traditions.
3. Member churches shall have a voice in the affairs of the SCHCC and the right to vote as provided in its Bylaws.

Section 2. Delegates

1. An active member church shall be entitled to one lay delegate. Churches having more than 200 members shall be entitled to elect one additional lay delegate for each additional 100 members, up to a total of five delegates.
2. Each active member church shall also be entitled to elect one youth / young adult delegate, twenty five years of age or younger.
3. One authorized minister (ordained, licensed or commissioned) from each active member church.

Section 3. Annual Dues

An active member church is one which is current in payment of their assessed dues. Each member church shall be assessed annual dues. Dues shall be paid and recorded by the Treasurer by January 31.

ARTICLE V: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The management of the business and affairs of the SCHCC shall be the responsibility of the Board of Directors, which shall consist of the Officers of the SCHCC, one (1) representative from each of the Island Councils and one (1) representative from each Partnership Ministry; such number of directors as outlined in the Bylaws of the SCHCC but under no circumstances less than five (5). Subject to such limit, the member churches may increase or decrease the number of Directors at an Annual Meeting. In the event the Board membership falls below the minimum of five (5), the SCHCC Board of Directors shall make interim appointments for the unexpired term(s).

The Directors shall be qualified, nominated, elected, and appointed as provided in the Bylaws. Each Director of the SCHCC shall serve until his or her successor is duly elected.

Section 1. Officers

The Officers of the SCHCC shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and an Advisor, all of whom shall be members in good standing in an active member church of the SCHCC and with such qualifications, duties and powers as may be provided for in its Bylaws. Except for the Advisor, Officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting during the 'Aha Iki, or as otherwise provided in Article V above, and preferably with no more than two of the four officers from the same island. The Advisor shall be appointed by the President.

Section 2. Island Councils

There shall be one representative from each of the following Island Councils: Kaua'i, O'ahu, Moloka'i, East Hawai'i, West Hawai'i, Maui, and East Maui Hawaiian Ministry.

Section 3. Partnership

One representative from the Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches shall have the privilege of voice and vote.

Any other partnership shall have the privilege of voice only without vote.

ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates of member churches present at the Annual Meeting, provided notices of the proposed amendment(s) shall have been given to each member church at least 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting where voting will take place.

(Constitution amended June 10, 2015)

BYLAWS

of the

STATE COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES (Affiliate Organization of the Hawai'i Conference of the United Church of Christ)

ARTICLE I: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Members

1. Member churches of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches (hereinafter referred to as the SCHCC), Island Councils, within the Hawai'i Conference of the United Church of Christ (hereinafter referred to as the HCUCC).
2. Member churches embracing Hawaiian cultural practices, including its language, its values and its traditions.
3. Member churches shall have a voice in the affairs of the SCHCC and the right to vote as provided in Article I; Section 5. Voting Privileges of these Bylaws.

Section 2. Partnerships

1. One representative from the Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches shall have the privilege of voice and vote.
2. One representative from Pū'ā Foundation shall have the privilege of voice only without vote.

Section 3. Delegates

1. An active member church shall be entitled to one lay delegate. Churches having more than 200 members shall be entitled to elect one additional lay delegate for each additional 100 members, up to a total of five delegates.
2. Each active member church shall also be entitled to elect one youth / young adult delegate, twenty five years of age or younger.
3. One authorized minister (ordained, licensed or commissioned) from each active member church.

Section 4. Annual Dues

An active member church is one which is current in payment of their assessed dues. Each member church shall be assessed annual dues as recommended by the Board of Directors and approved at the Annual Meeting. Dues shall be paid and recorded by the Treasurer by January 31. In addition, each member church is required to be in good standing with their respective Island Councils.

Section 5. Voting Privileges

Each member church, lay delegate, youth/young adult delegate and minister as outlined in Article 1, Sections 1 & 2 of these Bylaws shall have voice only in the affairs at the Quarterly Board of Directors (BOD) meeting, and voice with vote at the Annual Meeting.

1. An active member church shall be entitled to one voting delegate. Churches having more than 200 members shall be entitled to one additional voting delegate for each additional 100 members, up to a total of five voting delegates.
2. Each active member church shall be entitled to a youth/young adult voting delegate.
3. One authorized minister from each active member church shall be entitled to a vote.
4. SCHCC Officers (Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Advisor) and BOD members shall have voting privileges at the quarterly Board of Directors meetings, Special meetings and Annual Meeting.
5. SCHCC President shall have voting privileges at the quarterly Board of Directors meetings, Special meetings and Annual Meeting, only in the event of a tie.

ARTICLE II: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Composition of the Board of Directors –

There shall be a Board of Directors consisting of the following:

1. The Officers of SCHCC (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Advisor);
2. One (1) representative from each of the Island Councils (Kaua‘i, O‘ahu, Moloka‘i, East Hawai‘i, West Hawai‘i, Maui, and East Maui Hawaiian Ministry);
3. One (1) representative from the Partnership Ministries (AHEC and Pū‘ā Foundation).

Section 2. The purpose of the Board of Directors is to advocate, in the best interest of the Hawaiian churches, at all levels of the HCUCC.

Section 3. Tenure - Each SCHCC Officer shall serve for a term of two (2) years. Each Island Council representative and Partnership Ministry representative shall serve their terms as allowed by their respective bylaws.

ARTICLE III : OFFICERS

The Officers shall be members in good standing within an active member church of the SCHCC. There shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and an Advisor. The duties of the Officers shall be as follows:

Section 1. President:

1. Shall preside at all meetings of the SCHCC Board of Directors and the Executive Committee.
2. Shall be responsible for the administration of business affairs.
3. Shall prepare an Annual Report
4. May create and appoint Task Forces and Special Committees as needed, with the Board of Directors approval.
5. Shall be an ex-officio member of all Standing Committees, except the Nominations Committee, with voice only and no vote.
6. Shall represent the SCHCC on the HCUCC Council.

Section 2. Vice President:

1. Shall be the presiding officer in the absence of the President.
2. Shall assume the presidency in the event the President resigns or is not able to serve.
3. Shall chair the Committee for Repair and Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches.
4. Shall prepare an Annual Report of the Committee for Repair and Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches.

Section 3. Secretary:

1. Shall record accurate minutes of all meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, including Special meetings pertaining to the business of SCHCC, as well as the Annual meeting.
2. Shall be responsible for compiling and preparing reports submitted by all Officers, the Advisor, Island Council Presidents, Committee Chairs and Partnership Ministries for the Annual Meeting handbook.
3. Shall provide a sign-in sheet for all meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee as well as for all delegates attending the Annual Meeting.
4. Shall include a copy of the previous year's Annual Meeting minutes in the current year Annual Meeting handbook.
5. Shall send Board of Directors and Special Meeting minutes to the members of the Board of Directors, 2 weeks prior to each scheduled Board meeting, with the agenda for the scheduled meeting.
6. Shall send Executive Committee meeting minutes to the Executive Committee, 2 weeks after the meeting.
7. Shall record any corrections and additions to all meeting minutes, after approval by the Board.
8. Shall issue notices of meetings one (1) month prior to each meeting by written notice, via email. (If no email access, then by U.S. Mail)

Section 4. Treasurer:

1. Shall receive and deposit all funds in an accredited financial institution approved by the Board of Directors of this Council.
2. Shall keep an accurate accounting of all funds received and disbursed and shall give a detailed report of all accounts at each Board of Directors meeting.
3. Shall prepare a financial report for the Annual Meeting.
4. Shall keep an accurate record of all member churches current with payment of their dues and notify the Secretary of those member churches in arrears by March 01 of each year prior to the Annual Meeting.
5. Shall make all payments by check. There shall be two signatures on the checks, those of the Treasurer and the President or Secretary.

Section 5. Advisor:

1. Shall have thorough understanding and experience of the SCHCC.
2. Shall advise the Board of Directors in matters of function, policy, church polity, past practices and historical background.
3. Shall prepare a report for each board meeting and the Annual Meeting.
4. Shall be appointed by the President and shall serve a term coincident with the President's.

ARTICLE IV: TERM OF OFFICE

The officers of the SCHCC shall be elected for a term of two (2) years. They may not serve in the same office for more than two (2) consecutive terms.

The President shall have the authority, with approval by the Board of Directors, to fill any vacancy in the officer positions for an interim period until the next scheduled election.

ARTICLE V: REMOVAL OF OFFICER

Any officer may be removed by a majority vote of the membership whenever the best interest of the Hawaiian Churches and this Council is not served.

ARTICLE VI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**Section 1.**

The Executive Committee shall be comprised of the Officers of the SCHCC. The Executive Committee is charged with the following responsibilities:

1. Prepare the agenda for all meetings
2. Establish the date and time of all meetings
3. Be an advocate for all member churches
4. Prepare the Annual Budget

ARTICLE VII: MEETINGS

All meetings shall be opened and closed with pule 'ohana.

Section 1. Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting will be held during the 'Aha Iki at the 'Aha Pae'aina in June.

During the Annual Meeting of the SCHCC, time shall be provided for business, spiritual and cultural awareness concerns.

The majority vote shall be the preferred method for deciding matters that are before the member churches at the Annual Meeting.

Section 2. Board of Directors Meetings Schedule

The SCHCC Board of Directors shall meet in July, October, January and April. All Board of Directors meetings are open to member churches, with the privilege of voice only, without vote.

Section 3. Special Meetings

Special meetings may be called by the Board of Directors, by written notice sent out electronically or by U.S. Mail fourteen (14) days in advance to active member churches, stating time, place and purpose of the special meeting.

ARTICLE VIII: STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1. Standing Committees

The Standing Committees shall be:

- (1) Repair and Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches.
- (2) Endowment / Scholarship.

The Committee chairpersons shall be members of the Board of Directors and will be appointed by the Board of Directors. The Chairperson of the Committee for Repair and Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches, shall be the Vice President.

The Chairperson of the Endowment / Scholarship Standing Committee will maintain the autonomy of the independently funded programs reporting through the SCHCC.

(Endowment / Scholarship Standing Committees may include Kahu Richard Wong Endowment Fund, William Keliihoomalu Scholarship and others).

Section 2. Task Forces and Special Committees:

The President may establish Task Forces and Special Committees to address special issues and needs with majority approval votes from the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX: INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

Section 1.

The SCHCC shall indemnify each person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the SCHCC) if that person is or was a director, officer or agent (hereinafter to include volunteers) of the SCHCC, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines, settlements, and other amounts actually and reasonably incurred in connection with the proceeding if the person acted in good faith and in a matter the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the SCHCC, and, with respect to any criminal proceedings, had no reasonable cause to believe the conduct of the person was unlawful. The termination of any proceedings by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or upon plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the SCHCC and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that other person's conduct was unlawful.

Section 2.

The SCHCC shall indemnify each person who was or is party or is to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit in the right of the SCHCC to procure a judgment in its favor because that person is or was a director, officer, or agent of the SCHCC against expenses (including attorney's fees) actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with the defense of settlement of the action if the person acted in good faith and in a matter the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the SCHCC, except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue, or matter as to which the person shall have been adjudged to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of the person's duty to the SCHCC unless and only to the extent that the court in which the action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, the person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses as the court deems proper.

Section 3.

To the extent that a director, officer, or agent of the SCHCC has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defending any proceeding referred to in Sections 1 or 2 of this Article, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, such person shall be indemnified by the SCHCC against expenses (including attorney's fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection therewith.

Section 4.

Any indemnification under Sections 1 and 2 of this Article (unless ordered by a Court) shall be made by the SCHCC only if authorized in the specific case upon determination that indemnification of the director, officer or agent is proper in the circumstances

because the director, officer, or agent has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Sections 1 or 2.. The determination shall be made (a) by the Board of Directors by a majority vote of quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to the proceeding, or (b) if a quorum is not obtainable, or even, if obtainable if a quorum of disinterested directors so directs, by the independent legal counsel in a written opinion to the SCHCC or (c) by the court in which the proceeding is or was pending upon application made by the SCHCC or the director, officer, or agent or the attorney or other person rendering services in connection with the defense, whether or not the application by the director, officer, agent, attorney or other person opposed by the SCHCC.

Section 5.

Expenses incurred in defending any proceeding may be paid by the SCHCC in advance of the final disposition of the proceeding as authorized by the Board of Directors in a particular case upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the director, officer, or agent to repay such amount unless it shall ultimately be determined that the director, officer or agent entitled to be indemnified by the SCHCC as authorized in this article.

Section 6.

The indemnification provided by this Article shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those indemnified may be entitled and shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, or agent and shall insure to the benefit of the heirs and personal representatives of such a person.

Section 7.

The SCHCC shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any director, officer, or agent of the SCHCC against any liability asserted against or incurred by the director, officer, or agent in any such capacity or arising out of the director's, officer's or agent's status as such, whether or not the SCHCC would have the power to indemnify the director, officer, or agent against liability under this Article.

ARTICLE X: QUORUM

Section 1. Annual Meeting

The Quorum for the Annual Meeting shall consist of a majority of active member churches present.

Section 2. Board of Directors

The presence of two-thirds (2/3) of the Board of Directors will constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE XI: PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES

When questions of Parliamentary Procedures are raised, particularly on issues that are contested, the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall be consulted to resolve any impasse.

ARTICLE XII: AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates of member churches at the Annual Meeting, provided notices of the proposed amendment(s) shall have been given to each member church at least 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting where voting will take place.

(Bylaws amended June 10, 2015)

**STATE COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES
(SCHCC)**

**FUND FOR REPAIR & MAINTENANCE OF
SMALL MEMBERSHIP HAWAIIAN CHURCHES**

Application Information

Funding for the Repair & Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches is included by the Hawaii Conference Foundation (HCF) in its annual budget. Monies so allocated must be spent within the fiscal year for which it is approved.

The SCHCC has been given the responsibility for administering the funds, but in truth, we must all be partners in seeking the means by which needed repairs can be made. The underlying philosophy of the HCF and SCHCC is to help Hawaiian churches help themselves by sharing in the efforts by church members to raise funds (*i.e.* fundraising, solicitation of gifts, tithing goals, etc.)

More often than not, requests from Hawaiian churches exceed the amount allocated in the budget, not surprisingly, given the age of some of the structures and facilities. The task of reviewing requests and determining which are funded and by what amount, falls to the SCHCC.

In so doing the SCHCC Committee for the Repair & Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches (hereinafter referred to as R&M Committee) must take into account a number of considerations including the following:

- The Need for the Project

Is the repair or maintenance critical? How would it affect the mission of the church? What might happen if it were not done? Is it time-critical? Must the work be done within a certain time-frame? What is the church's participation (*i.e.* sharing the cost; providing in-kind services; a combination of both?)

- Priority Consideration

If there are not enough funds to grant all requests, support must first be given to the churches whose deed is held by the HCF. The HCF, as Trustee, has a fiduciary responsibility which carries a legal obligation to support those churches.

In cases where a church that holds its own deed is faced with unusual extenuating circumstances that cannot be addressed because of the preferential obligation imposed by the Trust, SCHCC may suggest an alternative that avoids any conflict.

Applications for the repair and maintenance of septic systems and handicapped accessibility are also priorities of the fund. The first would be in compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the State Department of Health.

The second would be in compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA).

- Scope of Work

The fund is available to cover the cost of the repair and maintenance to existing structures on church premises including the *hale pule* (church building), *hale 'āina* (social/fellowship hall) and *hale ke'ena* (office building). The scope of work may include the repair and maintenance of windows, doors, floors, and roofs as well as painting, electrical, plumbing and fumigation work.

What the fund does not cover is the cost for sound systems, computer systems, carpeting, air conditioning, fans, appliances and furnishings as well as parking lots, landscaping, gates and fences.

- Reimbursements

Reimbursements for complete projects will not be considered unless, at the discretion of the R&M Committee, compelling and justifiable reasons dictate otherwise.

- Completeness of Application

All applicable items must be completed including the duly-signed minutes of the meetings of both the Member Church and its respective Island Council. The minutes of the meeting of the church's governing body (*i.e.* Congregation, Church Council) must include the type of project the funds are being requested for; the estimated cost of materials, labor and skills to be hired; a clear showing of the total amount to be contributed by the Member Church in cash, in-kind services, or a combination of both and the action taken.

Projects costing more than \$5,000 must be supported by a Licensed Contractor's estimate.

- Discerning Need

Member Churches are encouraged to discern what is needed most. The work of reviewing and acting upon requests for assistance presents the SCHCC, through the work of the R&M Committee, with a challenge and an opportunity to be in partnership with our member churches.

There are no hard and fast rules. There is no checklist.

However, there are guidelines governing the work of the R&M Committee. The R&M Committee seeks to do its work prayerfully and thoughtfully relying upon the Holy Spirit for wisdom and guidance.

Reviewing the Application

1. Member Church forwards the completed Application Form, with the minutes of the meeting of the church's governing body (*i.e.* Congregation, Church Council) approving the submission of the application to the Island Council President.

Please provide the original application plus 2 additional sets of the application (single-sided copies only) and minutes (double-sided recommended).

2. Upon approval by its Island Council, the Island Council President will forward the application form of the Member Church to the Chairperson of the R&M Committee. The Island Council will provide the minutes of the meeting approving the submission of the application to the R&M Committee.

All applications are due by December 31st.

2. At the first scheduled meeting of the SCHCC Board of Directors following the December 31st deadline, the R&M Committee shall present its recommendation to the Board.

Whether an application is approved or denied, the Chairperson of the R&M Committee will inform the Member Church of the Board's decision by written notice or via email.

4. Upon approval by the SCHCC Board of Directors, the Chairperson of the R&M Committee shall inform the Executive Director of the HCF, in writing, of the name of the church and the amount of the approved grants. The Chairperson of the R&M Committee shall provide the HCF with the approved applications and the minutes of the SCHCC Board of Director's meeting in which the approval action was taken.
5. Upon completion of its project, the Member Church shall submit a written report to the R&M Committee, preferably with photographs if available. At that time the account will be closed.
6. Any unused funds shall be returned to the SCHCC. Unused funds may not be applied to other projects.

If new projects are considered, churches must submit a new application.

(Revised: October 2016)

**STATE COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES
(SCHCC)**

**FUND FOR REPAIR & MAINTENANCE OF
SMALL MEMBERSHIP HAWAIIAN CHURCHES**

Application Form

Please complete sections A & B Only

A. Contact Information & Project Proposal

1. Name of Church: _____

Church Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Street or P.O. Box City/State Zip Code

Telephone Number: _____ Email: _____

Contact Person: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

Email: _____ Additional Contact Information: _____

2. Does the Hawaii Conference Foundation hold the church's title or deed?

___ Yes ___ No

3. Project Proposal: *(If necessary, use a separate sheet of paper and attach to this application)*

- What is to be done?

- Who will do each portion?

- How will this project enhance or benefit your church's ministry?

4. Time-Frame for Project Completion

Start Date: _____ Completion Date: _____

B. Budget Worksheet

1. Sources of Income with Amount of Contribution

Local Church Contribution: _____

Other Sources of Funding: _____

(Include name and amount of any other grants you are applying for.)

Total Amount of Contributions: _____

2. In-Kind Donations *(Please give reasonable estimate of value. If necessary, use a separate sheet of paper and attach it to this application)*

Volunteer Hours: _____

Equipment: _____

Supplies: _____

Other: _____

3. Project Expenses

General Contractor - Proposed Bid Cost: _____

(Attach bid to application)

Required Materials – Total Materials Cost: _____

(Itemize and attach)

Total Project Expense: _____

4. Calculation for HCF Allocation:

Total Project Expense: _____

Less Total Contribution: _____

HCF Allocation Requested: _____

5. Cost Share

Total Cost of Project: _____ Amount Requesting: _____

===== **For Island Council Use Only** =====

1. Signatures

Moderator: _____ Minister: _____

Island Council President: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

2. Check off all that apply:

Signatures: ___ Moderator ___ Minister ___ Council President

Minutes: ___ Congregational/Church Council ___ Island Council

===== **Recommendation by Repair & Maintenance Committee** =====

1. Recommendation

Approval: ___ Denial: ___ Grant Amount Recommended: _____

Comments: _____

2. Signature

Committee Chair: _____ Date: _____

===== **Review & Approval of SCHCC Board of Directors** =====

1. Recommendation

Approval: ___ Denial: ___ Grant Amount Approved: _____

Comments: _____

2. Signatures

SCHCC President : _____ Date: _____

SCHCC Secretary: _____ Date: _____

(Revised: October 2016)

**State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches
(Hawaii Conference Foundation)
Kahu Richard W Wong Endowment Fund**

On June 25, 1990, Reverend Richard W Wong, Pastor Emeritus of Kaumakapili Church, took a bold step to support Hawaiian churches. On that day, he penned a letter to James Richards of the Hawaii Conference Foundation with the intention of establishing an endowment fund to *kōkua* Hawaiian churches. He transferred all his shares of stock from his investment portfolio to establish the *Kahu Richard W Wong Endowment Fund*.

The purpose of this fund is to assist member churches of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches with educational, missional, evangelistic, personnel, and building needs, from the earned interest income.

Outreach ministries are given priority over building requests. Churches needing repair and maintenance are encouraged to submit applications to the *Repair and Maintenance of Small Membership Hawaiian Churches Committee*.

The State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches was given the responsibility for the administration of this fund. The President, of the Board of Directors for State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches, appoints a chairperson for this committee.

PROCEDURES FOR APPLICANT:

- ☐ Complete and sign the application, submit the original plus 4 copies of the application to Island Council President.
- ☐ Attach the signed original plus 4 copies of the Church's Minutes, showing the Action taken for the Grant Request, with the applications.
- ☐ If granted funds, submit an annual report to the Chairperson of the Kahu Wong Committee.

PROCEDURES FOR ISLAND COUNCIL:

- ☐ Review and ensure that the application is completed as required.
- ☐ President and Secretary will sign the application and submit the original plus 4 copies of the application: (Distribution: 1 to applicant, 1 for Island Council, original plus 2 copies to Kahu Wong Committee.)
- ☐ Island Council President submits original plus 2 copies of the application with the **signed Minutes** of the Island Council meeting to Kahu Wong Committee **BEFORE December 31**.

PROCEDURES FOR KAHU WONG COMMITTEE:

- ☐ Reviews applications and makes recommendations to the SCHCC Board of Directors for action.
- ☐ Chairperson signs the Committee's recommendations and provides 1 copy to the SCHCC Secretary and keeps a copy for the Committee records / files.

PROCEDURES FOR SCHCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

- ☐ Receive recommendations from the Kahu Wong Committee for final decision.
- ☐ Committee Chairperson notifies applicant of the Board's decision, by letter via U.S. Mail.
- ☐ Committee Chairperson submits the original application and Minutes, showing the Board's decision of grant awards, to the Hawaii Conference Foundation, for disbursement.

(Revised: April 09, 2016)

**State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches
(Hawaii Conference Foundation)**

**Kahu Richard W. Wong Endowment Fund
Application Form**

*Please complete every line of the application; using N/A (not applicable) if necessary.
Secure all required signatures.*

Name of Church: _____

Church Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____
Street or P.O. Box City/State Zip Code

Contact Person: _____

Telephone Number: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

Email: _____

PURPOSE: The purpose of this program is to assist member churches of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches (SCHCC) with fulfillment of their church mission through the awarding of monetary grants from the earned interest income of the Kahu Richard W. Wong Endowment Fund.

GRANT AWARDS: Monetary grants shall be awarded to member church applicants for project proposals meeting the criteria set by the program. Any member church of the SCHCC may apply for a grant by submitting a completed application form.

PROGRAM/PROJECTS: A project proposal must serve a religious purpose. It may be submitted for any of the following subjects.

Check project: _____ Music Ministry _____ Outreach _____ Scholarships

_____ Social Justice _____ Personnel _____ Worship

_____ Christian Education _____ Other(specify) _____

_____ Church Repairs (*priority given to Mission work*)

RESTRICTION: “Grants are not to be given to build, maintain, renovate, or support income producing programs / projects.

Name of Church: _____

What is the **Objective(s)** of your program/project? Explain the intent for this project including how your church will accomplish this endeavor. *Attach additional pages, if necessary.*

Describe the **Activities**, which the church hopes to generate, including the audience you hope to reach.

Submit a detailed **Budget**: include materials needed and the cost; labor costs; receipt of other grants.

The **Timeframe**: Describe a timeline for the implementation of the project and its ability to be an ongoing ministry.

The **Evaluation**: Describe how you will monitor this project and evaluate its accomplishments.

(At the completion of this project, you will submit a written evaluation to the Chairperson of the Kahu Richard W. Wong Endowment Fund.)

===== For Local Church and Island Council =====

Name of Church: _____

Total cost of Program/Project: _____ Amount Requested: _____

Contact Person/Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Minister/Moderator: _____ Date: _____
(Moderator will sign, if Church has no Minister)

Island Council President: _____ Date: _____

Island Council Secretary: _____ Date: _____

== Recommendation by Kahu Richard W. Wong Endowment Committee ==

Approval: _____ Denial: _____ Grant Amount Recommended: _____

Comments:

Committee Chair: _____ Date: _____

===== Review & Approval by SCHCC Board of Directors =====

Approval: _____ Denial: _____ Grant Amount Approved: _____

Comments:

SCHCC President: _____ Date: _____

SCHCC Secretary: _____ Date: _____

The Minutes of the _____ SCHCC Board of Directors meeting will be sent to the Hawaii Conference Foundation with the original application.

(Revised: April 09, 2016)

William Kahuaka'i Keli'iho'omalu Scholarship Fund

State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches
Hawaii Conference United Church of Christ
1848 Nuuanu Avenue Honolulu, Hawaii 96817
Ph: (808)- 791-5633

Scholarship Policy

Background: The William Kahuaka'i Keli'iho'omalu Scholarship Fund was launched following the passing of Licentiate Kahu, William K. Keli'iho'omalu. Kahu Keli'iho'omalu served as a member deacon of Kawaihae'o Church for over 20 years. He enrolled in the Lay Pastors School on the Island of Maui and received his certificate as Licensed Minister for the Tri-Isle Moku. Kahu Keli'iho'omalu served at the Paia Hawaiian Protestant Church for a number of years until his retirement. He moved back to his home on the Island of Hawaii in the village of Kalapana, Puna. Upon his death this scholarship was established by a gift from Mrs. Ada Larrison, a friend of the family. She asked that this gift be placed in a Custodial Account with the Hawaii Conference Foundation in the name of "William Kahuaka'i Keli'iho'omalu Scholarship Fund." Over the years' family, friends, and investments raised that fund to \$5,000. It was her request that the principle of \$5,000 remain in the account and the balance of income received would be used for the purpose of providing scholarship to Lay or Ordained ministers for continuing education. If there are no applicants the unused balance would be re-invested in the same account. The custodians of this Fund will be in the care of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches, or its predecessors.

I. Who Qualifies?

- A) The applicant must be an active member of a church which is a member of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches.
- B) The applicant must be enrolled in a Licensed Minister School or an accredited Seminary approved by the Scholarship Committee.

II. How to apply for the scholarship?

- A) The applicant must apply through the local Church of which they are an active member.
- B) Application for the William K. Keli'iho'omalu Scholarship can be acquired from the President of the local Island Councils or through the President of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches.
- C) The Executive Committee of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches will review and process all applications on October 15th of each year and forward recommendations to the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches Board of Directors for decision.
- D) When an application has been approved, the awardee will be required to sign a Promissory note.

III. What are the requirements and stipulations?

A) Total Scholarship awarded as follows:

1. Seminary -

- a) initial 3 years – not to exceed \$3,000 per completion of education and not exceed \$250 per semester and \$1,000 per school year.
- b) development – 2 years + not to exceed \$2,000 per completion of education and not to exceed \$1,000 per school year.
- c) continuing education – a sum not to exceed \$1,000 per applicant per three (3) year period.

B) The award will be sent to the Seminary or School of Theology by the Treasurer of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches. In the event that a seminary or School of Theology will not accept the award, it will be sent to the recipient. For Continuing Education recipients, the award will be sent to the applicant.

C) The Seminary recipient will be required to send a copy of their transcript for each semester. Continuing Education recipients will be required to send a copy of their expense receipts. Transcripts and expense receipts shall be sent to the:

President
State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches
c/o Hawaii Conference United Church of Christ
1848 Nuuanu Avenue
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

D) In the event the applicant does not complete his/her course of study, the award then becomes a loan. The applicant shall repay this loan with no interest attached.

E) If the applicant is unable to complete his/her course of study, the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches Executive Committee shall be notified immediately. The Executive Committee will then review the individual's situation and determine whether or not the award becomes a loan.

(Revised: October 2016)

WILLIAM KAHUAKA'I KELI'IHO'OMALU SCHOLARSHIP FUND
State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches

Scholarship Application

Name _____ Church _____

Address _____
P.O. Box/Street City/State Zip

SEMINARY to attend _____ Accepted? Yes / No

Address _____ Date to Begin _____
P.O. Box Street City/State Zip

Certificate or Degree _____ Amt. Requesting \$ _____
List them: (On Back of this Form)

CONDITIONS:

1. This application must be signed and submitted to your Local Church President or Moderator for approval and signature. Application must be sent to the President of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches at the following address:
President
State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches
c/o Hawaii Conference United Church of Christ
1848 Nuuanu Avenue
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817
2. The State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches Executive Committee awards funds to applicants to assist with furthering their education. If the applicant does not complete his/her education, it is understood that he/she will repay the amount used. Upon approval of application by the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches Board of Directors, the applicant will sign a promissory note.
3. This Scholarship may be renewed each year and requires completion and submission of a "Renewal Form." A Renewal Form may be requested from the address above.
4. Application Forms and Renewals must be received by the President of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches with appropriate signatures and approvals by October 15th of each year.

SIGNATURES and APPROVALS:

Applicant Date _____

President/Moderator or Pastor of your Local Church Date _____

President of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches Date _____

Form Approved _____
(Revised: October 2016)

WILLIAM KAHUAKA'I KELI'IHO'OMALU SCHOLARSHIP FUND
State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches

Scholarship Renewal Form

Name _____ Church _____

Address _____
P.O. Box/Street City/State Zip

SEMINARY to attend _____ Accepted? Yes / No

Address _____ Date to Begin _____
P.O. Box / Street City/State Zip

Certificate or Degree _____ Amt. Requesting \$ _____

Applied Other Grant/Loans? ___ Yes ___ No Amt Requested _____ Amt. Granted _____

List them: (On Back of this Form)

GRANTS/LOANS AMOUNT REQUESTED

CONDITIONS:

1. This application must be signed and submitted to your Local Church President or Moderator for approval and signature. Application must be sent to the President of the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches at the following address:
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Form Approved _____
(Revised: October 2016)