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Mālama ‘Ohana Working Group
Office of Wellness and Resilience
Office of the Governor, State of
Hawai‘i

Virtual Meeting via
Zoom January 22, 2024
1:00-3:30pm

Members Present via Zoom: Co-chair Laurie Tochiki (EPIC ‘Ohana), Chiemi Davis (Lili‘uokalani Trust designee), Kayla Samson (Birth Parent), Kailene Nihipali-Sanchez (Kinship Resource Caregiver), Ka‘ano‘i Walk (Kamehameha Schools designee), Kacie Lambert (Former Foster Youth), Kimberly Nabarro (Birth Parent), Lisa Rapozo (DHS Child Welfare Services Branch), Melissa Mayo (Former Foster Youth), Scott Shimabukuro (Trauma Informed Care Task Force designee), Amanda Mundon (Kinship Resource Caregiver), Paul Tonnessen (Licensed Resource Caregiver), Stacy Ferreira (OHA), April Lum (Licensed Resource Caregiver), and Elladine Olevao (DHS Child Welfare Services Branch)

Members Absent: Venus Rosete-Medeiros (Hale Kipa), Daisy Hartfield (DHS designee)

Guests Present: Nonohe Botelho (Hawaii Coalition for Child Protective Reform; Presenter), Shana Kukila, Noreen Kohl (HCAN), Laura Miller (Presenter), Joshua Franklin (Presenter), Ke‘ōpū Reelitz (OHA), Marilyn Yamamoto (Presenter), Jodie Burgess (OWR), Mele Andrade (HCAN)

Support Staff Present: Rachael Wong (One Shared Future - OSF), Kāwika Riley (OSF), Jessica Kaneakua (OSF), Tia Hartsock (OWR), Kevin Thompson (Office of Wellness and Resilience - OWR), Keala Kaopuiki-Santos (OWR), Ally Trest (OWR) Rachel Aquino (OWR), and Lise Vaughan-Sekona (EPIC ‘Ohana)

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AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATIONS/ ACTIONS/CONCLUSIONS	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DATE DUE
I. Call to Order	Laurie Tochiki (Co-Chair) called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. Quorum established			
II. Introduction of Working Group Members and Acknowledgement of Teams and Guests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Welcome and Opening Remarks by Laurie Tochiki(Co-Chair) ● Rachael Wong (Co-Facilitator) invited members of the Mālama ‘Ohana Working Group to introduce themselves by answering the following check-in question: In 2024, my hope for the Mālama ‘Ohana Working Group is...?” 	Participants encouraged to answer prompt in CHAT.		

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<p>III. Today’s Agenda, Focus, & Goals and Mālama ‘Ohana Working Group’s Purpose and Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reminder of Sunshine Law, Spirit of Mālama ‘Ohana Working Group, and the Designed Alliance 	<p>Laurie Tochiki (MOWG Co-Chair) asks MOWG members for approval to strike PIG 7 from the meeting Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Motion: Kim Nabarro (MOWG) ● Second: Amanda Mundon (MOWG) ● By show of hands: All ● Abstained ● Action: Agenda amendment approved <p>Rachael Wong (Co-Facilitator) reviewed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Act 86 ● MOWG Timeline ● Sunshine Law Reminder ● Affirmation: MOWG Designed Alliance 	<p>All MOWG materials available on www.malamaohana.net</p> <p>Agenda amendment to strike PIG 7 approved.</p> <p>MOWG Timeline and Designed Alliance is accessible on malamaohana.net</p>		
<p>IV. Public Comment and Input: For anyone who cannot stay for the agenda item(s) in question</p>	<p>Rachael Wong (Co-Facilitator) asked attendees who could not stay for the duration of the meeting, if they would like to comment on the agenda at this time</p>	<p>No comments</p>		
<p>V. Vote for Approval of the Minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Laurie Tochiki (Co-Chair) asked for any corrections, deletions, and comments to the December minutes: None ● Laurie Tochiki (Co-Chair) called for a motion to approve Meeting Minutes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion: Paul Tonnessen (MOWG) ○ Second: Amanda Mundon (MOWG) ○ By a show of hands: All ○ Abstained from vote: None 	<p>December 18, 2023 Meeting Minutes approved</p>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Action: Minutes unanimously approved 			
<p>VI. Co-Chairs Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MOWG budget ● Presentation to Commissioner Aysha E. Schomburg, Children’s Bureau, Administration on Children, Youth and Families Working Group Process- Reaffirmation of the Designed Alliance 	<p>Laurie Tochiki (Co-Chair) provided an overview of funding secured by EPIC ‘Ohana for the benefit of the working group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MOWG Budget review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Set budget at \$250,000 ○ Kamehameha Schools- \$55,000 ○ Hawai‘i Community Foundation- \$55,000 ○ In 2023, Kacie Family Programs- \$38,000 and additional pledge for 2024 of \$40,000 ○ Annie E. Casey Foundation-\$50,000 ○ Total of \$238,000 received/pledged ● Co-Chairs presented on the local child welfare system, Nā Kama a Hāloa, and the Mālama ‘Ohana Working Group toto Associate Commissioner Aysha E. Schomburg and Dae’shawn Nixon, Senior Advisor (Youth and Family Engagement), Children’s Bureau, Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACF) , and on January 8, 2024 ● Stacy Ferreira (OHA) requested a proposal from MOWG for OHA to put in front of board to discuss the remaining funding for the MOWG budget 	<p>Commissioner Schomburg’s published message about the meeting here</p>		

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<p>VII. Presentation: Representatives from the Hawaii Coalition for Child Protective Reform</p>	<p>Laurie Tochiki (Co-Chair) welcomed representatives from Hawaii Coalition for Child Protective Reform (HCCPR):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nonohe Botelho ● Laura Miller ● Joshua Alameda Franklin ● Marilyn Yamamoto <p>Presenters shared purpose and goals of HCCPR, shared lived experiences, and offered the following solutions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Creation of an Office for Procedural Excellence within CWS 2. Establishment of an external Ethical Standards Commission, to include members with lived experience 3. Requirement of a state bar exam on child welfare for those working with vulnerable families 4. Prioritize developing 30 percent of total service in the area of prevention services that are eligible for Federal funding reimbursement 5. Cease removing children for anticipatory harm 6. Align Hawai‘i laws with 9th circuit rulings and laws of other 9th circuit states, especially with regards to imminent harm 7. Recognize protection of constitutional rights as a priority in CWS 8. Integrate parent partners alongside CWS staff as true partners 	<p>Presentation available on www.malamaohana.net</p> <p>HCCPR Recommendations to MOWG</p>		
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	9. Invest in families rather than foster care			
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<p>VIII Permitted Interaction Groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Review Creation of Six PIGs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Group 1 - Keiki & ‘Ōpio (Children & Youth) ○ Group 2 - Makua & ‘Ohana (Parents & Family) ○ Group 3 - Lawe Hānai (Caregivers) ○ Group 4 - Hui Kaiāulu (Community Groups) ○ Group 5 - Hui Ho‘opūlama (System Supports] ○ Group 6 - Kanaka & Po’e Pasifika (Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islanders) ● Discussion: PIGs scopes and membership ● Introduce: Seventh PIG for Informational Meetings 	<p>Kāwika Riley (Co-Facilitator) reviewed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dos and Don'ts of Permitted Interaction Groups (PIG) ● MOWG Timeline ● Proposed Membership of PIGs 	<p>MOWG PIG Members</p>		
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<p>IX. Public Comment and Input: related to PIGs scope and membership, and establishment of seventh PIG for Informational Meeting</p>	<p>Kāwika Riley (Co-Facilitator) asked for any public comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nonohe Botelho <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ request for Joshua Franklin to be added to PIGs 1, 2, and 3 	<p>Comment from Nonohe Botelho in Chat</p>		
<p>X. Decision-making: establishing the name, scope and membership for the following Permitted Interaction Groups. Each PIG’s scope shall include holding one or more meetings to discuss their areas of focus and means of outreach specific to their issue area, and to provide a report to the working group on March 4 or the working group meeting immediately following that date.</p>	<p>Kāwika Riley (Co-Facilitator) reviewed the Name and Issues Areas of the PIGs, Scope and Membership</p> <p>Laurie Tochiki (Co-Chair)-asked for any questions/comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● None <p>Laurie Tochiki (Co-Chair) requested a motion to approve for decision-making: establishing the name, scope and membership for the following Permitted Interaction Groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Motion: Paul Tonnessen (MOWG) ● Second: Kailene Nihipali-Sanchez (MOWG) ● Vote “Aye” by show off hands: All ● Vote “No” or Abstain: None 	<p>Permitted Interaction Group and Members MOWG PIG Members</p> <p>Decision-making: establishing the name, scope and membership for the following Permitted Interaction Groups Approved</p>		
<p>XI. Break</p>				
<p>XII. Presentation: “Mālamalama,” Janice Ikeda - Vibrant Hawai‘i</p>	<p>Guest Speaker, Janice Ikeda, Executive Director of Vibrant Hawai‘i, shared information about Vibrant Hawai‘i</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Vibrant Hawai‘i’s approach to system transformation 	<p>For more information visit Vibrant Hawaii</p>		

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<p>XIII Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meeting recap ● Next meeting Monday, February 26, 2024 1:00 - 3:30 PM on Zoom ● Affirmation of well-being 	<p>Kāwika Riley (Co-Facilitator)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Thanked everyone for all the work today ● Congratulations offered on establishing the PIGs ● Next meeting Monday, February 26, 2024, 1:00 - 3:30 PM on Zoom <p>Affirmation of well-being provided by Kacie Lambert (MOWG)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Creating a Bio Poem 	<p>Create your own Bio Poem</p> <p>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1K_4FO5gAAZ8fBYJusQK7VzPvGtqNVTNX/view?usp=drivesdk</p>		
<p>XIV. Closing Comments</p>	<p>Rachael Wong (Co-Facilitator) invited all to participate in a check-out activity by completing the prompt in two or three words : “I will stay centered as an ally and when sitting with ‘ feelings by...”</p>	<p>Participants encouraged to answer prompt in CHAT</p>		
<p>XV. Adjournment</p>	<p>Laurie Tochiki (Co-Chair) adjourned the meeting at 3:34 pm</p>			

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