

**Department of Education
Queen Liliuokalani Building
Committee on Weights XI
May 3, 2019**

Minutes

Members: Phyllis Unebasami (for Supt. Kishimoto), Mitchell Otani (Co-Chair), Kristen Brummel, Justin Carmichael, Heather Dansdill, Chad “Keoni” Farias, Carl Hinson, Justin Hughey, Wendy Matsuzaki, Noel Richardson, Katina Soares, Osa Tui, Adam Tuifagu, Malaea Wetzel

Absent: Dr. Christina M. Kishimoto (Co-Chair), Gail Nakaahiki, Erik Burkman

Staff: Kimberly Chee, Miles Dodo, Ken Kuraya, Wendy Sekiya, Ryan Shimabuku, Gary Zane

Topic	Speaker	Discussion
9:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions	Mitchell Otani (Chair)	Chair welcomed committee members and asked them to introduce themselves.
Public Testimony	Mitzi Higa for Corey Rosenlee, President - HSTA	HSTA testified for the Committee on Weights to consider additional assistance for small and rural schools.
Orientation of Committee Members	Ken Kuraya	Presented to Committee on Hawaii Revised Statues governing the COW (HRS 302A-1303.5) and WSF (HRS 302A-1303.6) and working group ground rules.
	Gary Zane	Reviewed with the Committee key points of the Hawaii’s Sunshine Law
		Katina Soares joins Committee at 9:15 a.m.
	Kimberly Chee	Provided an overview of how the WSF calculation has evolved through the years and the historical overview of COWs considerations and recommendation.
	Gary Zane	Reviewed WSF calculations for school year 2019 and provided a list of program IDs that have been added to WSF and current categorical programs available for considerations.
		Deputy Superintendent Phyllis Unebasami excused at 9:50 a.m.
9:50 a.m. - 10:05 a.m. Break		
	Shannah Smith	Presented to the Committee on the Department’s Strategic Plan Dynamic Report
		Carl Hinson joins Committee at 10:30 a.m.
		Mitchel Otani excused at 10:35 a.m., CAS Keoni Farias assumes role of acting Chairperson.
	A.S. Amy Kunz	ESSA Per-Pupil Expenditures Presentation
11:41 a.m. -		

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12:25 p.m. Lunch Break		
		Carl Hinson excused at 11:41 a.m.
	Keoni Farias	<p>Led discussion with committee members on possible future topics to consider such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special education • WSF reserve funds • Title I funding • Hawaiian Language Immersion Program • Teacher recruitment, retention, housing and bonuses • Adequacy • A funding loss buffer from projected enrollment used for schools' financial plans to official enrollment count.
12:45 p.m. Meeting Adjourn		