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Mauna Kea Management Board  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday July 31, 2001  
Institute for Astronomy, Room 131  
640 N A'ohoku Place  
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720

### Minutes of Regular Meeting

**Members Present:** Arthur Hoke, Chair; Robert Pacheco, Vice Chair; Barry Taniguchi, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair/Secretary; Heather Cole; and Harry Yada

**Kahu Ku Mauna Members Present:** Ed Stevens

**Interim OMKM Staff Present:** Walter Heen and Stephanie Nagata

**Others Present:** Ron Koehler, Rolf-Peter Kudritzki, Ron Laub, Wendy Light, and Bob McLaren.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hoke called the Mauna Kea Management Board (MKMB) Meeting to order on July 31, 2001 at 2:30 p.m.

#### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Rob Pacheco and seconded by Heather Cole that the minutes of the July 17, 2001 meeting of the MKMB be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

#### III. OLD BUSINESS

##### **Keck Outriggers Project.**

OMKM received a letter from Dr. Rolf-Peter Kudritzki requesting a determination of the Keck Outrigger Telescope Project's major/minor project designation. Director Heen indicated the Board was presented with the project's initial concept by a NASA group in February of this year. The determination of the project's major/minor designation is the first step in the review project described in the Master Plan and does not "start the clock" that would establish an end date for the project review process. This step merely initiates the review process.

Staff requested the Board recommend to the Chancellor of the University of Hawaii at Hilo that this project be classified as major.

It was moved by Heather Cole and seconded by Rob Pacheco to recommend to the Chancellor of the University of Hawaii at Hilo that this project be classified as major and to forward this recommendation to the President of the University of Hawaii for his approval. The motion was carried unanimously.

### **Underground Storage Tank Removal (UST)**

MKSS, the applicant applying for removal of the UST, notified the office all pertinent documents and permits have been obtained and requested proceeding with the implementation of the removal plans. Pursuant to the Project Review Process, OMKM organized a committee composed of representatives from MKMB (Arthur Hoke), Kahu Ku Mauna (Ed Stevens), applicant (Ron Koehler) and project consultant (Charles Brown of Edward K. Noda and Associates). A video conference was convened on July 24, 2001 with the committee and representatives of the State Department of Accounting and General Services and UH to discuss the final plans and “iron out” questions and concerns. The meeting resulted in the establishment of 6 conditions:

1. The term offsite in the specifications is defined as off the mountain.
2. Include in the specifications, regardless of the composition and degree of contamination (harmless to hazardous) of the rinsate and other fluid and/or solid residue in the tank, tank contents are to be removed from the tank into secured, leak-proof containers, i.e. 55 gallon drums, and the containers removed offsite and disposed according to federal and state regulations.
3. Instead of creating a berm as a remedial measure for treatment of contaminated soil, include in the change order specifications that if contaminated soil is discovered, it shall be removed offsite and disposed according to federal and state regulations.
4. Include in the specifications that soil removed from the excavation area and temporarily stored while samples are being tested are to be placed on and covered with plastic, and preferably secured with heavy bags filled with cinder from the batch plant.
5. No foreign material is to be left in the ground.
6. OMKM is to be notified of the Pre-Bid and Pre Con meeting at which time concerns will be relayed and reinforced.

#### Additional Clarification.

- a. Temporary storage of soil (refer to item #4 above) could be at the old batch site, but most likely it will adjacent to, or near the UST site.
- b. A more specific definition of the term offsite was requested to include, for example, below a certain elevation or at approved sites agreed upon by both UH and OMKM. OMKM will rewrite the definition.
- c. Disposition of the tank will be handled by the contractor and will likely be sold, or with County approval, disposed at a county dump.
- d. Cinders from the old batch site will be used as backfill as specified in the specifications.

It was moved by Rob Pacheco and seconded by Harry Yada to recommend to the Chancellor of the University of Hawaii at Hilo to approve this project with conditions, and to forward this recommendation to the President of the University of Hawaii for his approval. The motion was carried unanimously.

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ron Koehler stated the sign prohibiting vehicular traffic on Pu'u Poli'ahu will be ready for installation after adjustments to stabilize and reinforce the sign are made. MKSS is planning to scarify the road to restore a more natural look to the pathway. A path will remain allowing foot traffic the top of Pu'u Poli'ahu.

Ed Stevens requested MKSS coordinate the installation of the sign with OMKM.

A question was asked whether this type of project should be subject to the project review process. Director Heen indicated he did not think so, but the Office will evaluate the types of projects that require project review and will report to the Board.

**V. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

August 21, 2001, 9:30 a.m., IfA Room 131.

**VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chair Hoke adjourned the public portion of the meeting and the Board called an executive session at 2:57 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Hoke adjourned the executive session at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Signed by Barry K. Taniguchi

Barry K. Taniguchi, Secretary, MKMB

August 21, 2001

Date