



**STATE OF HAWAII  
ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

MICHAEL CURTIS  
ELECTIONS COMMISSION CHAIR

WRITTEN SUMMARY FOR VIDEO RECORD

REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
ELECTIONS COMMISSION

February 20, 2024 @ 1:30 p.m.

**Note: The video of the meeting may be viewed on our website  
at [https://elections.hawaii.gov/about-us/boards-and-commissions/elections-  
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PROCEEDINGS

The time reference below indicates the point in the video when the stated action begins.

I. Call to Order [1:30 p.m.]

The regular meeting of the Elections Commission was called to order by Chair Curtis.

II. Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum [1:30 p.m.]

All members of the Elections Commission were present at the meeting with the exception of Commissioner Kuwada.

III. Approval of Minutes for the January 16, 2024, meeting [1:31 p.m.]

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to amend the minutes of the meeting of January 16, 2024, which was seconded by Commissioner Andrion and approved by the Commission noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kuwada.

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to approve the revised minutes of the meeting of January 16, 2024, which was seconded by Commissioner Andrion and approved by the Commission noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kuwada.

IV. Public Testimony [1:46 p.m.]

Public testimony was provided by Jamie Detwiler, Rosemarie Jauch, Scott Shedko, Jennifer Cabjuan, Tom Stanton, Doug Pasnik, Adriel Lam, Andy Crossland, Karl Dicks, AnnMarie Hamilton, Mary Healy, Gary Cordery, Brett Kulbis, Boyd Ready, and Moana Lutey.

V. Communications & Correspondence [2:43 p.m.]

[2:44 p.m.]

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to request the chain of custody documents from the County Clerks to be provided to the Commission 7 days before the next meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Andrion and approved by the Commission noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kuwada.

[2:44 p.m.]

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to direct the Office of Elections to answer his formal complaint in writing which was seconded by Commissioner Papalimu and approved by the Commission noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kuwada.

[3:02 p.m.]

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion for the Commission to advise the Office of Elections to respond in writing to all inquiries within 14 business days of receipt and to post the responses publicly starting on approval by the Commission which was seconded by Commissioner Andrion and approved by the Commission.

YES (6): Commissioners Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, Kiguchi, Papalimu, and Curtis

NO (2): Commissioners McAdam and Takenaka

EXCUSED (1): Commissioner Kuwada

VI. Election Metrics [3:32 p.m.]

VII. Voted Ballot Security [3:43 p.m.]

[3:50 p.m.]

Commissioner Andrion made a motion for the Commission to investigate chain of custody, which was seconded by Commissioner Papalimu.

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to amend the motion to specify documentation be provided related to HAR 3-177-453 and HAR 3-177-61. The motion failed as no Commissioner seconded the motion.

Commissioner Andrion made a motion to amend the motion to focus on the County of Kauai, which was seconded by Commissioner Aquino. The motion failed.

YES (4): Commissioners Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, and Papalimu,

NO (4): Commissioners Kiguchi, McAdam, Takenaka, and Curtis

EXCUSED (1): Commissioner Kuwada

The vote was taken on the original motion. The motion failed.

YES (4): Commissioners Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, and Papalimu,

NO (4): Commissioners Kiguchi, McAdam, Takenaka, and Curtis

EXCUSED (1): Commissioner Kuwada

VIII. Electronic Registration Information Center, Inc (ERIC) [4:05 p.m.]

[4:18 p.m.]

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to oppose the State of Hawaii joining ERIC which was seconded by Commissioner Andrion, and approved by the Commission.

YES (5): Commissioners Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, Papalimu, and Curtis

NO (3): Commissioners Kiguchi, McAdam, and Takenaka

EXCUSED (1): Commissioner Kuwada

IX. Executive Session [4:20 p.m.]

- A. Pursuant to section 92-5(a)(8), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), the Commission anticipates going into executive session to discuss the approval of the executive session minutes from January 16, 2024
- B. Pursuant to section 92F-5(a)(2), HRS, the Commission anticipates going into executive session to discuss and evaluate the performance of and the reappointment of the Chief Election Officer

Commissioner Takenaka made a motion to enter Executive Session to approve the minutes for the Executive Session for the meeting of January 16, 2024, and to discuss and evaluate the performance of and the reappointment of the Chief Election Officer, which was seconded by Commissioner Kiguchi, and approved by the Commission noting the no vote of Commissioner Cushnie and the excused absence of Commissioner Kuwada.

[5:14 p.m.]

Commissioners returned to regular session.

[5:15 p.m.]

Commissioner Curtis recessed the meeting.

[5:20 p.m.]

Commissioner Curtis reconvened the meeting.

X. Vote to approve the executive session minutes from January 16, 2024  
[5:20 p.m.]

Commissioner Andrion made a motion to approve the minutes for the Executive Session for the meeting of January 16, 2024, which was seconded by Commissioner Papalimu and approved by the Commission noting the excused absence of Commissioner Kuwada.

XI. Summary of the criteria and key points in the evaluation of the Chief Election Officer. Vote on the reappointment of the Chief Election Officer [5:21 p.m.]

Commissioner Andrion made a motion not to reappoint Scott Nago as Chief Election Officer which was seconded by Commissioner Papalimu. The motion failed.

YES (4): Commissioners Andrion, Cushnie, Papalimu, and Aquino

NO (4): Commissioners Kiguchi, McAdam, Takenaka, and Curtis

EXCUSED (1): Commissioner Kuwada

[5:31 p.m.]

Commissioner Cushnie made a motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair to move to accept the last vote and to adjourn the meeting. The motion failed.

YES (4): Commissioners Andrion, Aquino, Cushnie, and Papalimu,

NO (4): Commissioners Kiguchi, McAdam, Takenaka, and Curtis

EXCUSED (1): Commissioner Kuwada

XII. Adjournment [5:37 p.m.]

Commissioner Curtis adjourned the meeting.