

# 'aha 2016

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**DAILY BULLETIN**  
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## **NATIVE HAWAIIAN GOVERNANCE 'AHA BULLETIN**

*Our daily ho'oka'a'ike (communication) from the body of the 'Aha to our 'ohana and kaiāulu (community).*

**HONOLULU, Hawai'i** — On February 22, 2016, 119 Native Hawaiians convened in Maunawili for day 15 of this historic convening with these items on the agenda:

11.00a	Wehena (Opening Pule/Oli) – Chair Brendon Kalei'aina Lee
11.05a	Mo'olelo Kōmike Ho'oka'a'ike (Communications Committee Report) – Adrian Kamali'i
11.10a	Discussion regarding reading a statement from a group outside the 'Aha
11.40a	Meeting/Sift of the Important Words, Concepts to be in governing document(s)
12.00p	Ho'omalolo no ka 'Aina Awakea (Recess for Lunch)
1.00p	Hana Kōmike (Committee Work): Markup 1st Draft of document
3.00p	Ho'omalolo (Recess)
3.25p	Ho'omau Hana Kōmike (Continued Committee Work): Markup 1st Draft of document
4:30p	Pau ka hana kōmike no ka lā (Committee work ended for the day)

### **Highlights of the day**

Despite a delayed start due to a large number of participants being unable to enter the venue on time – given demonstrations outside the gate to the property – the 'Aha continued work on drafting the governing document(s). After the wehena, a short discussion took place to have a statement from the demonstrators read on the floor. The statement was read during lunch. The substantive committees – Preamble; Rights; Executive Authorities; Legislative Authorities; Judicial Authorities; and International – got back to work immediately after that. The Drafting Committee worked all weekend taking input from the substantive committees and formulating the 1<sup>st</sup> draft of the governing document(s). The six substantive committees spent the afternoon marking up this draft to give back to the Drafting Committee for further revision and clarification. Committee work will continue in the morning.

### **Public Access Information:**

**Access to 'Ōlelo Coverage:** For the 'ohana and kaiāulu that are interested in following along, the plenary sessions are being broadcast on 'Ōlelo channels as well as livestreamed. They will also be available on demand within 48 hours of the event. For details, visit [olelo.org](http://olelo.org).

**On-line information:** The public is also able to view daily bulletins and photos at [aha2016.com](http://aha2016.com)

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