

**Konawaena High School (KHS) 100 Year Celebration
Planning Meeting**

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 6:02-7:15 pm
KHS Agriculture Bldg.

Present – Candida Abril, Iris Higashi-Oshiro, Aaron Ikeda, Maverick Kawamoto, Kellye Krug, Shelley Mandaguit, Shirley Medeiros-Bird, Aaron Nagata, Renee (Uchima) Nakamoto, Shan Nakamoto, Chris Nazara, Shari Ann (Imai) Ogi, Maura (Cabilin) Patao , Aloha Reeves, Kainani Reeves-Bachman, Ian Shortridge, Nalani Spencer, Kellie Sugai-Dahl, Susan (Morigawara) Suzuki. Sandra (Yamamoto) Taosaka, Glenda Yamagata-Passalacqua, Emma (Deniz) Yamaguchi

Welcome: Maverick Kawamoto gave a brief history of the Career Center/ Living History Museum which is the room we met in.

Introductions: We introduced ourselves around the table

Are we trying to start a brand new annual tradition? No. Just one time deal.

Kellye Krug – Konawaena Athletic Director is a graduate of Kamehameha Schools Kapalama and she shared information about their alumni reunion week which is held right after graduation:

2 reps for each class to get communication info. And attend meetings

Chair for Committees

At Kamehameha – 6 days Tuesday- Sunday

Prez Tea

Kanikipila night – Food and music

Talent Night

Class Night

Prom

Vegas night

Luau

Possibly find someone who has big property to hold events? If an event is at school, might need to sign waivers?

DATES: Fall break? Do something once a month in the Fall with Football and other sports with throwback uniforms to promote for a culminating week? Right after graduation?

Ask Admin to see when they feel is the best time? Susan will ask.

Money: Do we need an Alumni Association so we can have an account to deposit money into for this event? We need to double check with the foundation to see if the money can go through them. Maybe set up account at Credit Union?

Chair for 100th Anniversary Celebration – Not yet.

Once we know what events will be held, committee heads are needed.

Possible project – restore the 1935 McFarlane memorial.

McFarlane family needs to be contacted regarding the memorial. Ask Julie (Yates) Navarro. Pixie Navas works at the Kona Historical Society. Paul who walks on the side of the road with a cane.

We need **2 reps** for each class to get communication info. And attend meetings

Who's contacting whom ?

1950s –

1960s –

1965-1972 Glenda Yamagata

1973-77 Sandy & Chris

1978-80 Shari & Renee

1981-1982 Kellie Sugai

1983 Aaron

1984-1985 Shan & Emma?

1986 – Renee will talk to Suzie

1987 – 1990 Iris

1991- 1993

1994-1997 Nalani

1998-1999

2000-2005 Aloha

2006-2010 Ian

2011-2014 Susan

2015-2019 Kainani

Idea Brainstorm for the 100 year celebration of Konawaena High – was reviewed

- *Alma Mater – Sing correctly. Sing in 4 part harmony. Sing also in Hawaiian.
- *Alumni – Past, Present, Future
- *Alumni Association – Do we need to start one?
- *Alumni Band
- *Booklet – Souvenir with info about Konawaena. Also maybe 2 pages per class? Historical events? Put it also on Konawaena Website?
- *****Campus Tours with décor provided by Leadership *****
- *Class Night – Each class have own bank account
- *Concert – BBTS
- *Communication – 2 Reps from each class, Kona Club of Honolulu, Flyers, Social Media
- *Dance/Prom
- *Date – (2021-2022) Activities throughout the year? 1 week? 5 days?
- *Game Night
- *Ho'olaulea? Luau? – Food, entertainment, games, crafts?
- *Homecoming
- *Honor/Recognize People – Oldest Living Graduates, Founders of School
- *History Presentation
- *Kona Historical Society/Uchida Farm
- *Money – Fundraising for the event and during the event. Who will deal with the money? Konawaena Foundation? Start Alumni Association?

- *Parade – Kainaliu to Konawaena? Insurance, Instead each class have a tent with info.
- *Presentation board with every decade or class information?
- *Student Showcase and Sell Konawaena “Up Mauka” Products
- *T-Shirts – Sell 5,000? Have a design competition
- *Theme
- *Uniforms – Bring back old blue & white Knights uniforms for athletics for 2021-2022
- *Variety Show
- *Video – Short history to promote the 100th Anniversary of Konawaena

Fundraising Ideas:

Cookbook – Aaron Ikeda wants to get recipes from the graduates and favorite memory of Konawaena 2-3 lines. Get 1st set by end of the year and get books out by July 2020. Money from cookbook could help fund 100th anniversary. Maybe even sell on Amazon. Maybe sell at KTA through Up Mauka. Aaron received permission from the committee to get started on the project.

Kona Club of Honolulu has a big luncheon on Sunday, May 5th at Okinawan center. Aaron can get tickets and promote cookbook and 100th anniversary. Video to advertise will be ready by May 5.

Could do a 2nd cookbook.

Handmade items – crochet items, up mauka brand, kids work, bags, etc... Have things available to purchase these items and t-shirts.

Maybe up mauka items could be mass produced and 50-50. Donate money to us? Or we pay for supplies and they donate to 100th anniversary?

Info Page or Poster about 1921 in the booklet. Songs, sports, cost of food, movies

Sell Ad pages ?

Maybe combine Souvenir book and 2nd cookbook?

Souvenirs to sell.....

Konawaena Knights (nightingales?) – buttons, shirts, etc....

Poem by Chris Nazara was shared: Bring history of who we were and how we came to be. Can we be both the knights and wildcats?

100th Anniversary yearbook could be the souvenir book and sell the ads.

Do article in West Hawaii Today – call reporter and photographer to do an article about the planning of the 100th anniversary and take photos of the KHS museum. Sandi will call them. Could get monetary donations and/or venues that way.

Gilbert Kaneko will look for old videos

Agenda for Next Meeting:

*Decide on Dates

*Money – Do through Konawaena Foundation or Alumni Group or Credit Union?

*2 Reps for each class – Give info to Secretary

*Look over the categories (Events, Fundraising, Communication, Other) for organizing the 100th Anniversary. Adjust as needed.

*Decide on who's on the Head Committee (Co Chairs, Secretary, Treasurer, etc...) and who will be Sub committees Chairs.

*Brainstorm and discuss ideas for a THEME

Next Meeting: Thu., April 11, 6:00 pm at KHS Library

*****Bring 2 reps from as many classes as possible. *****

Respectfully submitted,

Susan (Morigawara) Suzuki