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RCAC Releases Names of Finalists for Four Seats on the UH Board of Regents

HONOLULU – The Regents Candidate Advisory Council (RCAC) has presented a list of candidates to Gov. Neil Abercrombie today to fill four seats on the University of Hawai‘i Board of Regents, including two City and County of Honolulu seats, a Hawai‘i County seat, and a Maui County seat. The outgoing regents whose terms will end on June 30, 2011, include Mark Fukunaga and Howard Karr (City and County of Honolulu), and Carl Carlson (Hawai‘i County). The term of Maui County Regent James Haynes ended on June 30, 2010 but was held over by former Gov. Linda Lingle.

RCAC began the recruitment process during fall 2010 to attract qualified candidates. Upon completion of applicant interviews, background and reference checks, RCAC finalized the list of candidates that was presented to the governor today. Gov. Abercrombie must select nominees for the Board of Regents from this list, and his appointments must be confirmed by the State Senate during the current legislative session. In addition, Regent Clifford Dias, representing the other Hawai‘i County seat, is on an interim appointment and must be confirmed by the State Senate for a permanent appointment.

The finalists for the four seats are:

City and County of Honolulu (2 seats for terms beginning July 1, 2011)
(Note: Regent Howard Karr, current chair of the Board of Regents, did not apply for reappointment)

1. Terri T. Fujii
2. Mark H. Fukunaga
3. Coralie C., Matayoshi
4. Dale F. Saito
5. Jan N. Sullivan
6. Keith M. Vieira

Hawai‘i County (1 seat for term beginning July 1 2011)

1. Carl A. Carlson, Jr.
2. Sandra W. Scarr

Maui County (1 seat for term beginning immediately upon Senate consent and confirmation)

1. Sherrilee K. Dodson
2. Georgia K. McMillen
3. Saedene K. Ota

Recruitment for the next round of vacancies on the Board of Regents, which include another City and County of Honolulu seat, a Kaua‘i County seat, an At Large seat and a Student seat, will begin in early fall of this year.

Members of the UH Board of Regents, as well as the Regents Candidate Advisory Council, who represent various constituent groups, serve voluntarily and are not paid.

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