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June 30, 2011

The Honorable Neil Abercrombie
Governor, State of Hawai'i
Executive Chambers
Hawai'i State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Governor Abercrombie:

This is in response to your letter dated May 13, 2011, requesting a second list of candidates to fill the vacant County of Hawai'i seat on the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i.

On behalf of the Regents Candidate Advisory Council (RCAC) and in conformity with the provisions of Act 56, 2007 Session Laws of Hawai'i, Act 9, 2008 Session Laws of Hawai'i, and Act 58, 2010 Session Laws of Hawai'i, the following candidates are presented to you for your consideration to fill the Hawai'i County seat for a term to begin immediately upon your appointment, and if confirmed by the Hawai'i State Senate, will serve through June 30, 2013.

Gregory C. Chun
Barry T. Mizuno

To make these candidate presentations, the RCAC complied with the statutory requirements and assessed the candidates in a fair, independent, and nonpartisan manner. All candidates, as required by law, were asked to disclose any existing or anticipated contracts or financial transactions with the University of Hawai'i. Finally, with the assistance of a nationally-recognized firm, the RCAC had background checks performed on each candidate being presented. Based on the background checks, the RCAC concluded that there were no findings to indicate that any of the candidates being presented would not be able to discharge the responsibilities as a member of the Board of Regents.

Brief biographies drafted by the candidates are attached. Simultaneous with this presentation of candidates to you, the RCAC, as required by law, is making the same information publicly available through the University of Hawai'i. The candidates have authorized the public release of their respective biographies to the media.

Should you have any questions, please call 692-1218 or email at borapp@hawaii.edu.

Sincerely yours,



Karl Fujii, Chairman
Regents Candidate Advisory Council

Attachments

c: Members, Regents Candidate Advisory Council
Senator Shan Tsutsui, Senate President
Representative Calvin Say, House Speaker
Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair, Senate Committee on Education
Representative Scott Nishimoto, Chair, House Committee on Higher Education
Regent Eric Martinson, Incoming Chair, Board of Regents
President M.R.C. Greenwood, University of Hawai'i



Gregory C. Chun, Ph.D.
Vice President, Kamehameha Schools

Gregory Chun assumed his current position at Kamehameha Schools in August 2009. The Keauhou-Kahalu'u Education Group is a newly formed education group established within the Kamehameha Schools system that provides 'āina-based education and culture-based instruction in West Hawai'i. Educational partners include the Hawaii State Department of Education, University of Hawai'i, Kamehameha Schools Campus and Enrichment Programs, and a variety of private education organizations. These programs also serve as the catalyst for the re-positioning of the Keauhou Resort, a Kamehameha Schools asset, as a cultural and educational destination.

Previously, Greg served as President of Bishop Holdings Corporation and Subsidiaries, the for-profit arm of Kamehameha Schools, which carries out real estate investment and development businesses on behalf of the Trust. Prior to joining Kamehameha Schools Greg was with Parker Ranch, Inc., first as an independent contractor and later as Executive Vice-President and Secretary. His experience includes real estate development in Hawai'i and on the US mainland, restoration of historic Hawaiian sites in West Hawai'i and Moloka'i and the development of associated educational and cultural programming, Hawaiian culture and values training, and leadership and organizational development. Born and raised in Kailua, a graduate of Kamehameha Schools, and trained as a Clinical Psychologist, Greg integrates a unique blend of cultural, educational, and humanistic perspectives into his formal business roles and responsibilities. Greg is married to Debra U'ilani Kekuna Chun, also a graduate of Kamehameha Schools.

Barry T. Mizuno

For the past 19 years, Barry T. Mizuno has been in the geothermal power business (Puna Geothermal Venture) and a private energy consultant. As the on-site manager representing the owners of the project, Mizuno oversaw the project at its infancy in 1992 through 2006, when PGV supplied 20% of the Big Island's electricity needs. Mizuno retired in 2006 to form BTM LLC, a private energy consulting firm.

Mizuno has also served Hawaii County Government as its Finance Director as well as Managing Director during the administration of two Big Island mayors. As Managing Director of Hawaii County under Mayor Lorraine Inouye, Mizuno managed and coordinated the activities of all county departments, except the Prosecutor's office. As Finance Director, he directed the preparation of the annual budget, oversaw the County's Information Technology Division, Accounting, and Real Property Tax Division.

A CPA, Mizuno has resided on the Big Island since 1983 when he became the CFO, Treasurer and Controller for Hamakua Sugar Company, Inc., the largest, contiguous sugar plantation in Hawaii. Mizuno previously resided on Oahu and was employed by TheoDavies and its subsidiaries in various accounting and management positions, as well as at Hawaiian Electric Company in internal audit.

Mizuno is very active in the community and is currently a co-chair of Hospice of Hilo's community capital campaign to construct a 12-bed in-patient facility to serve the Big Island community. The \$10 million project will be the only neighbor-island Hospice in-patient facility. He is also actively involved with the Hawaii Island Beacon Community where he serves as board treasurer. The board is tasked with utilizing health information technology to improve healthcare quality, cost-efficiency, and population health in Hawaii County with a \$16.1 million federal grant.

In addition, Mizuno serves on the Mayor's Healthcare Sustainability Taskforce and the Geothermal Energy Working Group. He currently serves on the boards of the Hawaii Island Economic Development Board, the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Hawaii (Past President), and W. H. Shipman, Limited (Director and Vice-President).

Mizuno is the past chair of the Hawaii County Salary Commission, and has served on the boards of Hawaii Island United Way, Hawaii Island Chamber of Commerce, Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority, and the High Technology Development Corp.

He is also active with his church, Honpa Hongwanji Hilo Betsuin. He is a Past President of Hilo Betsuin and currently is a Vice-President of the State organization, Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. In addition he serves as President of the Hawaii Island Hongwanji Council and the Hawaii Island Lay Association.

Mizuno grew up on a sugar plantation on the island of Kauai and graduated from Waimea High School. Through his formative years, his parents instilled upon Barry and his siblings on the importance of higher education as the avenue to improving their lives in the future. With their meager wages as plantation workers, his parents insisted that each of their children would go to college. Mizuno earned a BA in Business Administration/Accounting from Central Washington University in Ellensburg, Washington.

Mizuno has been married to his wife, Carolyn for 40 years and have two grown daughters and three grandchildren.