

On Dec 15, 2015, at 11:40 AM, Louis F. Perez III <[l.perez@akamaifoundation.org](mailto:l.perez@akamaifoundation.org)> wrote:  
Dear Candidates,

Given that the counting of the votes may be delayed for up to a few years, Na`i Aupuni has decided to terminate the election as of today and to offer all 201 candidates the opportunity to serve as `Aha delegates from February 1 to 26, 2016 at a meeting facility in Kailua, Oahu.

One of the main reasons behind this decision to seat all candidates is that you represent a broad-based spectrum of the Native Hawaiian community and thus Na`i Aupuni wants to offer you this rare opportunity to organize Native Hawaiians and to propose a path to self-governance.

A Q&A that addresses many issues concerning this change of events can be found on the Na`i Aupuni website, [naiaupuni.org](http://naiaupuni.org).

In addition, the terms that Na`i Aupuni has authorized the Akamai Foundation to offer to the candidates is set forth below. Because the number of delegates has increased from 40 to up to 201, Na`i Aupuni has reduced the length of the `Aha to 20 days and Na`i Aupuni can only offer 20 days of per diem of \$50 per day for Oahu candidates, \$200 per day for Neighbor Island candidates and \$250 per day for outside of Hawaii candidates. Na`i Aupuni will also provide breakfast and lunch for each delegate on the 20 convention days. Na`i Aupuni cannot offer any other financial assistance such as transportation, lodging, etc.

If you wish to serve as a delegate at the `Aha and agree to the terms set forth in this email, **please respond to this email and indicate below that you “commit to attend this `Aha and agree to these terms” and provide the requested information by December 22, 2015, 11:59pm (Hawaii time). If you do not so respond to this email by then, Na`i Aupuni will assume that you will not be attending the `Aha.**

If you have any questions concerning these terms, please contact Louis Perez at [l.perez@akamaifoundation.org](mailto:l.perez@akamaifoundation.org)

Mahalo nui for supporting the Na`i Aupuni process and we encourage you to support the upcoming `Aha!

**TABLE 2 - PER DIEM DISBURSEMENT SCHEDULE**

<b>TABLE 1 - PER DIEM AMOUNTS</b>				<b>Initial</b>	<b>Week 1</b>	<b>Week 2</b>	<b>Week 3</b>	<b>Week 4</b>	<b>Final</b>	
	<b>\$ /</b>			<b>Advance</b>	<b>2/1/2016</b>	<b>2/8/2016</b>	<b>2/15/2016</b>	<b>2/22/2016</b>	<b>Payment</b>	
	<b>Day</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1/4/2016</b>	<b>2/5/2016</b>	<b>2/12/2016</b>	<b>2/19/2016</b>	<b>2/26/2016</b>	<b>2/29/2016</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Oahu Delegate</b>	\$ 50	20	\$1,000	\$ 250	\$ 250		\$ 250		\$ 250	\$1,000
<b>Neighbor Island Delegate</b>	\$200	20	\$4,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000		\$ 1,000		\$ 1,000	\$4,000
<b>Continental Delegate</b>	\$250	20	\$5,000	\$ 1,250	\$ 1,250		\$ 1,250		\$ 1,250	\$5,000

Per diem will be "advanced" to each delegate by mail on the Initial Advance date of 1/4/2016, and in-person at the Aha on 2/1/16, 2/15/16 and the final disbursement by mail on 2/29/16 in accordance with the per diem disbursement schedule in Table 2.

Advances of per diem are considered "earned" by participation in the 'Aha as documented by each delegate signing-in and signing out on the Delegate Attendance Roster at the start and end times for each day of the 'Aha. The minimum attendance necessary for advances to be considered "earned" is 80%.

At the conclusion of the delegate training, per diem disbursements will be reconciled against the Delegate Attendance Roster to determine the amount of per diem advanced that was actually "earned". An IRS Form 1099MISC will be issued to each delegate for the total amount of unearned per diem not returned to Na'i Aupuni.

Please do not include your social security number in your reply. Each delegate will be contacted by phone to obtain her or his social security number in the event an IRS Form 1099MISC need be issued. Your social security number will not be shared with anyone other than the IRS for tax purposes in the event you do not "earn" the per diem, as described below.

**To acknowledge your understanding and agreement to these terms and to confirm your commitment to attend this `Aha, please reply to this email by December 22, 2015 with the following:**

1. I confirm my commitment to attend this 'Aha and agree to these terms by marking by placing an "X" here: \_\_\_\_\_
2. My full legal name is: \_\_\_\_\_
3. My mailing address is: \_\_\_\_\_
4. The best phone number to reach me is: \_\_\_\_\_

Mahalo,

Louis