H-PEA Candidates for Office (2012 – 2013)

President

Kathy Tibbetts is a Principal Research Associate at Kamehameha Schools. Kathy conducts educational program evaluation and research at Kamehameha Schools. Her current role at KS includes technical support to KS program staff and collaborators for program monitoring and evaluation, research related to the well-being of Native Hawaiian students in the public school system, and innovations in culturally responsive research and evaluation. Kathy has a PhD in Educational Psychology from the University of Hawai`i at Mānoa. She has served H-PEA as a member of the annual conference committee since the organization's inception in 2006, as Vice President in 2008 and 2009, and President in 2010 and 2011.

Vice President

Brandi "Nalani" Balutski is the Research & Evaluation Coordinator for Native Hawaiian Student Services in the Hawai'inuiākea School of Hawaiian Knowledge at UH Mānoa. In this capacity, she plans, implements and conducts internal program evaluation activities, while also assisting the school's evaluation team with academic-level assessment and accreditation work. Since 2008, she has also worked with UH System institutional data to track and disseminate descriptive data on Native Hawaiian students within the system, including enrollment and graduation data. Nalani has an undergraduate degree in Business Administration from Loyola Marymount University, and a Master's degree in Hawaiian Studies from UH Manoa. She recently co-authored a book chapter entitled "Access and Success for Students from Indigenous Populations" in Higher Education: Handbook of Theory and Research (2012). Nalani has served as Secretary of H-PEA since 2010.

<u>Secretary</u>

Rozlynd Awa is a Research Associate II in the Kamehameha Schools Strategic Planning and Implementation's Research and Evaluation Division. She recently received her Masters Degree in Public Policy & Management at Carnegie Mellon University with a focus on Education Policy & Leadership and has an undergraduate background in Economics and Business Administration. Her research interests include investigating strategies for improving K-12 education outcomes and college-going opportunities for minority populations, with a particular focus on the Native Hawaiian community. With a professional background in education research, Rozlynd's skill set includes program evaluation, project management, econometric modeling, forecasting, and linear programming. On her free-time, she enjoys spending time with her ohana and friends.

Treasurer

Yao Hill is an Institutional Researcher and Instructor at Kapi'olani Community College. She graduated from the Second Language Studies Ph.D. Program at UH Manoa in summer 2010 with specializations in language assessment and program evaluation. She has served as an Institutional Researcher and Instructor at Kapi'olani Community College since 2009. She has engaged in a variety of evaluation projects in higher education settings related to curriculum innovation, test validation, STEM grant programs, service learning programs, and faculty professional development. She has also been an active participant in HPEA since the beginning of the organization and currently serves as Treasurer.

<u>Jan Lubin</u> is Director of Planning and Program Evaluation at Windward Community College. She graduated from the Teaching English as a Second Language Program at UH Manoa in December 1986, and began working at the Shidler College of Business as an advisor and database specialist in 1991. At this time, she helped the CBA database for tracking students from entry into the College to becoming alumni. Since then, she has served as Director of Management Information Resources at Honolulu Community College and has been in her current position since December 2007. She has engaged in a variety of evaluation projects in higher education settings as well as being the Accreditation Liaison Officer for Windward CC. She has also been the Treasurer of the Pacific Association of Institution Researchers (PacAIR) since the beginning of the organization in 2009.