

Friday, August 26, 2005

Aloha Board Members,

My name is Stephen Luksic. I was off island from May through July and during that time all hell breaks loose. Before I left I testified to this board that I was supportive of Education and I was willing to do what I could to assist a better relationship between Akakū and Maui Community College. I thought the board would work to develop a policy that would benefit the community. Instead, Sharon and Myles, through secret meetings and third party input, maliciously and illegally created a plan that gave away Akakū's money without any accountability. Education can spend Akakū's money on whatever they want. This plan went into effect even though it never received Board approval. Doesn't that break the Bylaws of Akakū?

I now realize those meetings this board had in March and April regarding Akakū's funds for education was nothing more than a distractive farce. It appears the true intention is to dismantle Akakū by changing the by-laws, and manipulating the policy, in effect crippling the ability of the public to Speak through Community Access Television.

I was 6000 miles away when I read news of the termination of Sean McLaughlin. I became physically ill for a few days. The termination of Sean by this board is a horrible travesty. He is the best man for President and CEO of Akakū. He is by far one of the best leaders this Non-profit PEG could ever have. And you terminated him. This corruption is shameful and it is wrong.

Speaking of wrong, Myles is wrong and his attack of a Board member should require his immediate resignation.

Sharon Courtier needs to resign for blatantly breaking the by-Laws of Akakū.

The people of Maui are being oppressed financially and 8 members of this board are now oppressing the people of Maui Spiritually. The malicious intentions by Myles and Sharon have usurped the righteousness of this non-profit organization. The people of Akakū and the principles of Akakū are nefariously being attacked.

How can this board audaciously proceed to revise current policy and by-laws when the past infractions by Sharon and Myles have not been investigated? It is not OK for Sharon and Myles to break the law then change the laws to justify their actions.

I cannot fathom how Myles can honorably continue to be a member of this Board without negatively affecting a mayoral campaign he is a part of. I will not stand by and watch this without doing anything. I'd like to contribute a check for \$500 towards the Save Akakū Fund. I hope that others will contribute what they can.

Thank you for your time and I will pray for this board to do what is right for the people of Maui.

Sincerely,

Stephen Luksic