



SENATOR NORMAN SAKAMOTO

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May 2010



Cassie Ann Sumimoto, Miss Teen Hawaii World 2009, invited Senator Sakamoto to plant a pinwheel in the Capitol's lawn as part of **Prevent Child Abuse America's "Pinwheels for Prevention"** campaign.



Raynette Imamoto (not pictured), President of the **Kona Club of Honolulu** welcomed Senator and Penny Sakamoto to their annual luau where they present scholarships to deserving students. Joining them were **M/M Norman Sakata** (pictured), who is representing members of the **Kona Coffee Cultural Festival**.



Senator Sakamoto congratulated **Alexis Kane** (Principal of *Puohala Elementary-Windward District*); one of seven district principals at the National Distinguished Principals Recognition Program.



Right: Senator Sakamoto and Dr. Allen Awaya welcome **Brig Gen Kathleen Berg** *Hawaii State Commissioner*, to the State at the Capitol for the first meeting of The **Hawaii State Council of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children**.



Left: Senator Sakamoto recognized the many accomplishments of **Grant Okamura, University of Hawaii's Director of Bands** (since 1985), following his final performance at McKinley High School as he prepares for his retirement. Mr. Okamura is one of only three Hawaii members elected to the prestigious American Bandmasters Association. Mr. Okamura has dedicated nearly 40 years of his life to improving music education for the students of Hawaii. Mahalo and best wishes!

**Schedule of
Community Meetings
May & June 2010**

Neighborhood Board Meetings

Aiea NB No. 20

Monday, May 10, 7:30 PM, Pearl Ridge Elem Cafeteria
Monday, June 14, 7:30 PM, Aiea Library Conf. Room

Aliamanu/ Salt Lake/ Foster Village NB No. 18

Thursday, May 13, 7:00 PM, Aliamanu Middle Cafeteria
Thursday, June 10, 7:00 PM, Oahu Veterans Center

Kalihi-Palama NB No.15

Wednesday, May 19, 7:00 PM
Wednesday, June 16, 7:00 PM
Kapalama Elementary School Cafeteria

Community & School Associations

Moanalua Gardens Community Association

Tuesday, May 4, 7:00 PM
Tuesday, June 1, 7:00 PM
Moanalua Middle, Room B2

Aloha Aina Earth Day at Moanalua High School

Recycling Community/Clean-Up/Fundraiser

Saturday, June 5

8:00 AM-2:00 PM
Moanalua High School Student Parking Lot (near the fire station)
For more information call our office, 586-8585
or Rep Glenn Wakai's office, 586-6220

Senate Committee on Education and Housing

**Constitutional Amendments; Board of Education
HB 2376, HD3, SD2, CD1**

**Proposes a constitutional amendment to have the Board of Education members nominated by, and appointed by the Governor, with advise and consent of the Senate

"Shall the Board of Education be changed to a board appointed by the Governor, with the advise and consent of the Senate, as provided by law?"

If voters elect yes, it would restructure the Board of Education

**Board of Education; Appointment; Candidate
Nomination Commission HB2377 HD3 SD2 CD1**

**Details the composition of the BOE's members (9 members) and their term limits

**Establishes an advisory council that would provide the governor a list of qualified candidates from which to appoint members to the board

**Restoration of Instructional Days; Hawaii Hurricane
Relief Fund; Appropriation SB2124 SD2 HD1 CD1**

**Provides funding to solve the furlough Friday issue in Hawaii's public schools by making a \$67 million appropriation from the Hawaii hurricane relief fund to restore instructional days for the 2010-2011 school year

**Money would only be released upon completion of negotiations of the parties involved

**Education; Minimum
Classroom
Instruction Days
HB2486 HD2 SD2 CD1**

For the 2011-2013 school year, all public schools shall implement a school calendar that provides 180 of classroom instructional days, excluding professional development days or non instructional days

School Year	Instructional Days	Instructional & Professional Development Days	Time
2010-2011 <i>(teachers)</i>	180	190 (collective bargaining)	1415 min. (4.75 hrs/day) Elem. 1289 min. (4.5 hrs/day) Secondary (collective bargaining)
2011-2013 <i>(students)</i>	180	190	915 hrs (5.25 hrs/day) Elem. 990 hrs (5.5 hrs/day) Secondary
2013-2015 <i>(students)</i>	180	190	1080 hrs (6hrs/day)
2015-2016 <i>(students)</i>	190	200	1140 hrs (6hrs/day)

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