



## PROPOSED LEADERSHIP CHANGES

Objective: The Workforce Development Council is reorganizing its leadership to strengthen the Council's effectiveness and ensure stability during transitions.

This change is intended to maximize the skills and talents of members, promote shared leadership across committees, and provide opportunities for Council members to develop leadership experience in their respective areas. The goal is to build a stronger, more flexible organization that can continue to meet its responsibilities under Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and advance Hawai'i's workforce development priorities.

### Proposed Workforce Development Council Officers:

Chair: Keith DeMello (appointed Chair by Gov. Green on 10/22/2025)

Vice Chair: Trang Malone\*

Assistant Vice Chair: Sen Donovan Dela Cruz (current)

### Proposed Committee Leadership:

A) Employer Engagement Committee

Chair: Gina Anunuevo

Vice Chairs: Derek Kanehira, Cheryl Cross

B) Performance Management and Finance Committee

Chair: Sean Nakamura

Vice Chairs: Sean Knox, Lea Dias

C) Sector Partnership and Career Pathways Committee

Chair: Cary Miyashiro

Vice Chair: Lorna Woo, Rona Fukumoto

D) Special Projects Committee

Chair: Dion Dizon

Vice Chairs: Pane Meatoga III, Thomas Chock

E) Youth Services Committee

Chair: Tui Scanlan

Vice Chair: Carla Kurokawa, Amber Akana

\* Election of A Vice Chair

Section 4.3. The Vice-Chairperson shall assume the duties of the Chairperson in the absence of the Chairperson and will undertake such other duties as may be assigned by the Chairperson. Any member of the Council may nominate a Vice-Chairperson. The nominated Vice-Chairperson shall be approved by the Council upon the concurrence of at least a quorum of the Council. The Vice-Chairperson shall serve until his or her successor is approved by the Council upon the concurrence of at least a quorum of the Council.

- Needs a board vote