

## ***Governance***

Adopted March 23, 2011

The people at Wai`alae bring alive the vision we have for our children. Wai`alae School's mission is to prepare our children for the 21<sup>st</sup> century as creative problem solvers, self-confident risk takers, well-rounded individuals who are capable of multiple dimensions, collaborative, and socially responsible to others and the world. These are characteristics exemplified by all who share our common purpose. As keepers of the Wai`alae vision, the Wai`alae School Board endeavors to guide the school community toward that vision.

Governance is vested principally in the Wai`alae School Board, comprised of members of each of the role groups of the school community. Governance at Wai`alae School promotes and supports the well-being and education of our students.

Governance at Wai`alae school reflects creative and innovative solutions to challenges and recognizes that risk taking based upon sound educational foundation is necessary for change in a dynamic organization.

Board actions are based on collaboration and consensus. To the extent possible, decision-making involves those directly affected by the outcome. Only majority votes of the board are binding instructions on the Chief Educational Officer.

The Wai`alae School Board's purpose is to set general policies. Policy areas include governance, resource allocation and management, facilities management and development, health and safety, education, accountability, and human resources. Board policies are implemented by the Chief Educational Officer, who is selected by the board. The Board also engages in planning to set goals for itself.

The Wai`alae School Board promotes and supports a socially responsible school community. The board empowers all members and groups of the school community to be leaders and accountable for their outcomes.\*

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