

# 2014 Initial Proposal Orientation

October 24, 2014

Hawaii State Art Museum, Multipurpose Room

Kirsten Rogers as Presider



# Welcome!

- \* Housekeeping
  - \* Virtual attendees: Please remain muted
- \* Instructions for asking questions (also located on the back of your agenda)
- \* All materials will be posted online

# Introductions

**Kirsten Rogers**

Academic Performance Specialist

**Alison Kunishige**

Chief Operations Officer

**Kenyon Tam**

Operations and Applications Specialist

**Beth Bulgeron**

Academic Performance Manager

**Special Guest – Kathryn Tydlacka**

Proposed School Director, Ka‘u Learning Academy

# Pre-RFP Orientation Recap

Alison Kunishige,  
Chief Operations Officer



# Conversation Continues...

- \* October 9: Commission approves final RFP
- \* October 10: Pre-RFP Orientation:
  - Overview of chartering in Hawaii generally
  - Preview of this application cycle
- \* October 17: Commission formally publishes RFP
- \* Today: Focus on Initial Proposal contents, application process

# Highlights from Pre-RFP Orientation

- \* One theme: This application process is difficult
  - But much easier than running a successful school
  - The process helps the applicant go in with eyes open
- \* Speaking of eyes wide open: provided some legal and financial context, as well as strategic considerations for future charter schools
- \* Q&A
- \* If you weren't able to participate, worth reviewing

# Where do I find all this?

- \* [www.chartercommission.hawaii.gov](http://www.chartercommission.hawaii.gov)
- \* Drag-down menu from “Starting a School” button
- \* Click on “Application Cycle Information”
- \* Sign up for e-mail list
- \* Video and materials from these orientations
- \* RFP, evaluation criteria, etc.
- \* More informational resources
- \* Q&A from orientations and other questions received

# Today

- \* Applying
- \* The Initial Proposal
- \* Commission decisions
- \* Additional insights from recent successful applications
- \* Like last time you'll hear from several members of our team, but your contact going forward: **Kenyon Tam**



# Some Perspective

- \* It's a long and involved application
- \* Public education is a complex and difficult endeavor
- \* But step back for moment:

Chartering presents a truly remarkable opportunity to make a powerful contribution to our children and to Hawaii