

## **Candidates for H-PEA Offices (2013 – 2014)**

### **President**

**Lisa Watkins-Victorino** received her doctorate in Community Psychology from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. She was employed at the UH Mānoa School of Social Work Social Welfare Evaluation and Research Unit (SWERU) for 12 years as an Evaluation Specialist. During that time she served as a project manager for several family strengthening projects. She joined the Hawai'i Department of Education (HIDOE) System Evaluation and Reporting Section (SERS) in 2003. She was primarily responsible for the implementation, analysis, and reporting of legislatively mandated statewide surveys such as the Senior Exit Plans Survey (SEPS) and the School Quality Survey (SQS). In addition, she served as the DOE representative on the Pacific Resources in Education and Learning (PREL) Research and Evaluation Cadre and as the DOE liaison on projects conducted in partnership with the Kamehameha Schools Bishop Estate Policy Analysis and System Evaluation Office. In April 2012, Lisa joined the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) and serves as the agency's Research Director. She oversees the Special Projects, Demography, Program Improvement, and the Land, Culture, and History research sections. Lisa is the OHA representative on the Native Hawaiian Education Council and serves as its 2012-2013 Treasurer.

### **Vice President**

**Sena Pierce** is the Evaluation Specialist for Hawai'i P-20 Partnerships for Education. In this role she conducts internal evaluation including evaluation design, program monitoring, and reporting for college access programs operated by Hawai'i P-20. She also delivers technical assistance and evaluation support to external partners who provide college access services under Hawai'i P-20 programs. Her research interests include utilization-focused evaluation and promoting evaluation use through effective communication. Sena has an MA in Second Language Studies from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa with a specialization in program evaluation and a BA in studio art from Macalester College. She has served as a member of the annual conference planning committee since 2012.

### **Secretary**

**Rozlynd Awa** is a Senior Research Analyst in the Kamehameha Schools Literacy Instruction & Support Division. In 2012 she received her Master's Degree in Public Policy & Management at Carnegie Mellon University with a focus on Education Policy & Leadership and has an undergraduate background in Economics and Business Administration. Her evaluation interests include applying developmental evaluation approaches to facilitate strategic learning for programs and initiatives that seek to positively impact complex and dynamic issues. Her professional focus is on creating user-friendly evaluation tools and processes that support continuous learning. When not at work, Roz enjoys spending time with her ohana and friends.

### **Treasurer**

**Yao Zhang Hill, Ph.D.**, is currently an Assessment Specialist in the University of Hawaii at Manoa Assessment Office, where she assists faculty with the development and use of student learning assessments, and conducts research and evaluation studies into student learning outcomes for the purpose of program improvement. Her areas of research interest include: utilization-focused academic and co-curricular program evaluation, faculty development, culture change in learning outcome assessment, and psychometric measurement methods. She has also been an active participant in HPEA since the beginning of the organization and currently serves as Treasurer.