

HILA Board Meeting

Minutes August 12, 2015

Present: Erin Lee, Ty McDonald, Garrett Webb, John Marshall, Micah Barker, Ken Sugai

1st Order of Business: Hawaii Island Chair: Ken Sugai has accepted the role as Hawaii Island Chair of the Landscape Industry Certified Technician program. Ken and Garrett will attend the Oahu LICT field exams being held 8/15/15, in order to acquaint Ken to the duties and role of Island Chair.

2nd Order of Business: HILA Board Meeting time: John suggested we move our Board meeting time to 2:30pm instead of the current meeting time of 3:30pm. The Board will seek consensus among absent officers: Chris and Hugh, before formally approving the time change.

3rd Order of Business: HILA Annual Conference:

- The HILA Board has approved a price increase of \$10.00 across the board for the Annual Conference attendance fees.
- Ty will confirm with Lauren Roth Venu regarding her plenary and breakout topics.
- Erin has two potential back up speakers: Scott Izuk from USGS; and the Head Hydrologist from the Honolulu BWS.
- We will offer the following conference speakers a complimentary table: Martin Miyashiro, Rob Nelson, Nephi Casuga
- Micah will follow up with Nephi Casuga to confirm Hydrometrix's participation as a conference speaker.
- The fee for Non-Profit organizations who would like to have a table will be \$90.00 for 1 person. Each additional person "Guests" will be \$65.00.
- During the conference lunch period we will have live music and a slideshow of newly certified LICT's. Also, possibly announcing this years HILA scholarships awards.
- HILA would like to invite HCC Palama Nui to join our annual conference.

4th Order of Business: HILA Annual Conference Sponsorship: Chris will send out an email to request local green industry businesses join our conference as a sponsors.

Potential NEW sponsors list: Bacon Universal, Hertz Heavy Equip, Allied Machinery, Diamond Head Sprinklers, Soil Plus, Smith-Pacific, All Tool, Home Depot, Lowes, Plant It Hawaii, Hawaii Community Federal Credit Union, Hawaii Export Nursery Association, Big Island Association of Nurserymen, Central Supply, Service Rentals, NCRS, BEI.

5th Order of Business: Scholarships; John has completed the scholarships forms and has contacted and distributed scholarship information to HCC, UH, and all Hawaii Island High School administrations. Garrett will post the forms on the HILA website. This years scholarship application deadline has been set for September 30, 2015.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting at 2:30pm, Wednesday, September 9th at Hualalai construction office.