

HILA Board Meeting

Minutes May 17, 2017

Present: Erin Lee, Ty McDonald, Chris McCullough, Garrett Webb, Micah Barker, Lynnett Tohara

1st Order of Business: Plant Pono: HILA met with BIISC regarding their Plant Pono initiative. HILA made the following suggestions to BIISC:

- Erin suggests HILA help BIISC develop an alternative landscape plant list for the different elevations / micro climates of the island.
- Chris suggested HILA send out a letter/email to our mailing list regarding the top 10 invasive species, some of which are commonly used plants in the landscape industry.
- Garrett suggests BIISC create a phone book listing with Plant Pono approved vendors to make it easier for customers to identify and find approved vendors.
- Chris suggests HILA promote Plant Pono vendors, with a targeted outreach to Landscape Architects, and sending out flyers (such as the LFA treatment training flyer) to our membership.

2nd Order of Business: LMT Classes: Ty reports many people signed up right before classes started, and even more signed up part way through. A total of 58 individuals are attending LMT classes.

3rd Order of Business: Derek Shigematsu, HDOA: HILA would like to honor Derek with a letter and gift for many years of volunteering to teach our Pesticide safety class for LMT. Derek will be retiring from his position with the State. Chris will prepare the letter and Erin or Ty will get a gift card for Derek.

4th Order of Business: LICT Judges: Garrett is preparing a list of confirmed judges for LICT field tests. He will present HILA with a list of Judges needed for next month's test. Erin will check with her LICT employees to see if any would be interested in Judging this year's LICT field tests.

5th Order of Business: Irrigation School: Garrett reports the irrigation school went very well with a total of 15 students attending. Five of the students are in line to take the LICT test with 17 confirmed registrations overall.

6th Order of Business: D & O insurance; Garrett reports the HILA Board is covered under the LICH liability insurance policy for all classes and tests associated with LICH such as all LMT classes and LICT field tests. HILA is considering purchasing our own policy to ensure full coverage at all times for our Board.

7th Order of Business: Annual Conference; For this year's conference venue, HILA will look into alternatives to Hapuna Prince which has dramatically increased its prices. Ty will look into the Marriott Waikoloa, and King Kamehameha Hotel as alternatives. Chris will check back with Hapuna Prince to see about current pricing. Tentative dates for the HILA conference are Thursday 10/19 or Thursday 10/26 2017.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting Wednesday June 7th at 3:30p.m. at the Hualalai Construction office.