

HILA Board Meeting

Minutes March 2, 2016

Present: Erin Lee, Chris McCullough, Hugh Landes

1st Order of Business: LMT Classes: HCC Palamanui is confirmed as the location for the 2016 LMT classes which will begin on Thursday, April 7th. Ty has distributed the LMT class promotional flyer to the usual locations. Ty will create a separate flyer (or page) for EFT applicants. Also Ty will create a press release for West Hawaii Today and the Hilo Tribune. The Board approved both newspaper and radio advertising, therefore it was suggested that the print ads in the newspaper be coordinated with the press release. Ty needs to confirm advertising ASAP.

2nd Order of Business: Scholarship: Chris will contact John for scholarship contacts and 2015 scholarship applicant information.

3rd Order of Business: Tree Fungi Workshop: Ty confirmed the upcoming *Tree Fungi in Hawaii* workshop scheduled for March 24 on Hawaii Island at the U.H. Kainaliu Extension office.

4th Order of Business: HILA Membership: 2016 membership was reviewed. Garrett will prepare a trifold brochure and mailing them out to our industry. Chris will pursue members and delegate to other Board members regarding pursuing 2015 members and new members as well as email our 2016 membership form to our green industry membership/ mailing list.

5th Order of Business: Irrigation Classes: LICH is putting on a 2 day irrigation workshop, with instructor Martin Miyashiro, on FRI 4/8/16 and SAT 4/9/16 at Kaupulehu Interpretive Center, Big Island. Garrett needs to create a flyer, send an email to the membership and set the price for this event ASAP.

6th Order of Business: LICT candidate math assistance: Erin discussed the two year agriculture program at HCC Hilo. Erin spoke with administrators at the college and informed them that math is typically a challenge for our LICT candidates. HCC informed Erin that the college has online math classes, and that Palamanui will probably offer these classes as well. Ty should let the LMT / potential LICT candidates know this at the first LMT class.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting at 3:30 pm Tuesday, April 5 at Hualalai Coffee Co. (by the gas pump/store at Hualalai resort)