

HILA Board Meeting

Minutes April 20, 2016

Present: Erin Lee, Ty McDonald, Hugh Landes, Chris McCullough, Garrett Webb, Micah Barker, Ken Sugai

1st Order of Business: Erin will file HILA annual filing with State of Hawaii with current BOD names and addresses. Erin has renewed HILA post office box.

2nd Order of Business: LMT Classes: Ty reports approximately 33 students in our 2016 LMT class series and approximately 20 people are participants in ETF.

3rd Order of Business: HILA Scholarships: Chris will follow up with John Marshall to see if he has any additional information on 2015 scholarship awardees. Garrett will put scholarship application on website.

4th Order of Business: LICT TEST: HILA is planning to hold the 2016 LICT Field Tests at HCC Palamanui. Garrett and Ken will head up preparing the sub grade of the site. Garrett already has a signed agreement with HCC Palamanui to hold the field tests, and needs to work with and secure approval from contractors at Palamanui to make improvements to the test site. Adam Broderson has volunteered to bring his backhoe for material spreading. Garrett will seek fill and gravel donations to prepare the site. If HCC Palamanui site can not be prepared in time, the Kainaliu extension office site will be a back up location for this years field testing.

5th Order of Business: Irrigation School; LICH will hold a 2 day irrigation workshop on June 10th and 11th with instructor Martin Miyashiro in Kailua-Kona. Ty will send out an email to attract more participants.

6th Order of Business: Annual Conference; With consistent year to year declines in attendance of HILA's annual conference, the Board has voted not to hold a 2016 landscape management conference. HILA will start planning the 2017 conference in the fall with a fresh new concept and format. HILA intends to arrange 1 or 2 educational/social green industry events for this fall.

7th Order of Business: LICT FEILD TEST SET UP: The Board will meet at the LICT test site on Saturday, May 28th from 8am-12pm for set up of the field tests. All preliminary site prep (sub grade) will need to be complete by this date.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting Tuesday, May 10th at Hualalai resort, location to be confirmed by Erin.