## **HILA Board Meeting**

## Minutes March 9, 2017

Present: Erin Lee, Ty McDonald, Hugh Landes, Garrett Webb, Micah Barker, Palani Greenwell, Ken Sugai, Jennifer McDaniel

1<sup>st</sup> Order of Business: Little Fire Ant: Ken asks, should HILA provide a LFA training to landscape professionals? Possibly providing a certificate for completion. Ty reports that the Pesticide Applicators are developing a curriculum for LFA treatment. It was suggested HILA provide a LFA treatment workshop at this years annual conference.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Order of Business: Membership:** HILA has acquired about 20 memberships for 2017 as of March. Ken suggests doing a 2-year membership or dong automatic renewals for existing members. Ken also volunteered to reach out to new HILA members to welcome them to our organization and landscape community. Garrett will update the website with current membership.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Order of Business: LMT Classes:** Ty reports there are no sign ups yet for this years LMT class series. He has fliers out at industry vendors, has sent out one email to the green industry and has contacted a radio station about doing a radio ad.

**4<sup>th</sup> Order of Business: LICH-ETF Fee:** Will remain 15% of gross funds received from ETF. HILA approves this 15% fee paid to LICH for administration of ETF funds for our LMT classes.

5<sup>th</sup> Order of Business: LICT TEST & future test site: Field test set up Saturday May 27th, 2017 at Kainaliu. Garrett and George Broderson worked up a cost to build a permanent 1 acre field test site at Palamanui for around \$92,000.

6<sup>th</sup> Order of Business: HILA D&O Insurance: Garrett will check with the LICH insurance carrier to see if the LICH liability policy covers Directors and Officers of HILA. If it does not, the HILA Board intends to acquire a policy of it's own to cover Directors and Officers from being personally liable in the event HILA is sued by anyone.

**7<sup>th</sup> Order of Business: HILA SOCIAL EVENT;** A "pau hana" social event has been set for Friday May 19th from 4-6pm at Hawaiian Gardens Nursery. The event is open to all HILA members free of charge, and HILA will provide heavy pupus. Attendees may BYOB. The event will focus on nursery operations, business practices, and other details of the nursery business that Kelly Greenwell owns and operates.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting Wednesday April 5<sup>th</sup> at Hualalai construction office.