

## HILA Board Meeting

Minutes September 2nd, 2021

Present: Garrett Web, Erin Lee, Ty McDonald, Micah Barker, Christian Renz, Tony Savarese

**1<sup>st</sup> Order of Business: HILA 2021 Conference:** LICH has inquired if they can use our conference speaker line up for their next Landscape Conference. HILA is not in favor of LICH proceeding with our speaker line up for their conference. Ty suggests LICH and HILA stagger our conferences to either 1) one in spring and the other in fall, or 2) alternating years.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Order of Business: Hawaii Based Landscape Test:** Garrett will reach out to Margo at NALP to inquire how LICH/HILA may proceed with developing a Hawaii specific Landscape Test without causing a conflict of interest/infringement on the previously used NALP test.

Chris Dacus has developed a prototype educational landscape program and test called TLC: Tropical Landscape Certification. HILA would like to look into the possibility of a partnership or licensing for the use of this program Chris is developing.

HILA Board will convene via email and suggest potential test topics to be included and added to the following running list: Turf, Pruning, Small Equipment Operation, First Aid/Safety, Irrigation.

Tony suggests doing a surveying with HILA members or landscape supervisors seeking input on the skills and knowledge that employers or managers are looking for.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Order of Business: Landscape/Golf Presentation:** Manuel Jadulang has emailed Garrett seeking a recorded talk on the landscape or golf industry/profession for presentation to his students at Kealakehe.

**4<sup>th</sup> Order of Business: HILA Video Media:** Tony is leading the production of short educational or promotional videos about landscaping. Micah and Christian will schedule to meet with Tony and start out by filming a few short videos on Soil, Landscaping Tips, and HILA in general. HILA will use these on its website, and social media channels.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting Thursday, October 7th at 4:00pm at the outdoor meeting area next to Erin's office at Hualalai