

HILA Board Meeting  
Minutes February 3rd, 2022

Present: Christian Renz, Garrett Web, Erin Lee, Ty McDonald, Sarah Kamanu, Tony Savarese, Russel Galanti

**1st Order of Business: PNO 2021** Erin Lee reports on review of balance ledger. No training or conference money. 2021 Membership dropped. Bookkeeping w/ tax services included \$1,200 annual. Council agrees this is an excellent price and service. Storage areas consolidated to one unit space. New HP laptop purchased and quickbooks to be loaded, single line of responsibility to books. Third party "grab" audit option discussed but council agrees to pass at this time until 2023 with more activity. Hapuna Conference has a \$1000 deposit credit.

**2nd Order of Business: LICH Meeting January 2022** Christian Renz reports his attendance at Oahu January meeting & new President is now Katy DesHotels. Goal of 2022 to have a Tropical Horticulture testing program developed by 2023.

**3rd Order of Business:** Russel attends by video enters topic harnessing talents for Science Base and Skill Base industry contribution for training. Reaching out to Larry & Leland to join in creative development.

**4th Order of Business: Developing the HILA Training Course:** Christian suggests organization of table of contents be foundation to program. Open discussion among members to add items such as Botany Basics, Plant ID process, Native & Endemic vs. invasive, "plant Pono" theory, weed ID and weed control, plant soil health, pruning, irrigation basics, math plan & map reading, landscape techniques, turf grass management, PPE Safety, equipment operation, safety & maintenance basics, water conservation, pesticide safety, shrub and tree planting basics.

Table of Contents organized as:

1. Plant ID, Botany, Native Planting (Plant Pono support)
2. Plant ID Hands on Weeds and Invasives
3. Turf Grass Management
4. Plant Soil & Health
5. Pruning, Horticulture Practices & Fruit Production
6. Irrigation Course 1- Basic of irrigation installation
7. Irrigation Course 2- Basics of irrigation maintenance
8. Pesticide Safety
9. Pest Identification (Entomology Basics) & Integrated Pest Management
10. Landscape Installation, Plan Reading and Technical
11. Equipment Operation and Maintenance
12. On Line PPE Safety Course

**5th Order of Business: Opinions from industry Professionals Survey:** Consideration survey to be sent out. Discussion for next meeting.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting Thursday March 3rd at 3:30pm at Haulalai.