

Akau Hana Club Meeting

Total Time: 95 minutes

I. Call to order: (2 minutes) Amos called the meeting to order at 5:10. Vice President Laura Ruff presided over the meeting.

- II. Roll call and agenda review: (5 minutes)
- Pass out signup sheet: The following board members signed in: Gayle Bensusan, Amos Hahn, Robert Boltje, Laura Ruff, Judy Sistenos, Pam Myers, Lynn Soranio, Tony Francis (Kristen Dowell joined the meeting at around 5:30); the following general club members signed in: Lisa Franklin, Tea Luiten, John Aiman, Jeri Ann Smith, Ed Kramer.
- III. Secretary's report (5 minutes)
- I. Review previous minutes. Laura motioned to approve the minutes; Pam 2nd.

IV. Treasurer's report (5 minutes)

- Update on membership payments: We have several new members, who've paid their dues in full.
- Update on Aloha festival income: Gross ~\$1120; profit ~\$775.
- We now have ~\$4300 checking; ~\$6000 in savings
- Question on \$100 to Kilohana for Keiki's crew in Kona race. Judy will send a check to NCOCA.
- Tony motioned to approve the treasurer's report; Gayle 2nd.
- V. Committee reports
- Coaches corner: Update from Lyn (5 minutes) Congrats to novice crew for 2nd place finish at Angel Island Race. With race season over, Lynn would like to see more fun paddles through the rest of the season, with two full canoes every go-out
- Kudo's corner: (5 minutes) Thanks to Lynn for double duty on Sundays. Thanks from Lynn to the rec crew for coming out.
- Small boat certification: Update on certification level for each person. (I minutes) Judy and Jeri Ann drafted a list of members and their certification levels. This list is posted at http://akauhana.org/private_html/SmallCanoeInfo.html; Jeri Ann will review it with Lynn for final approval.

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VI Old business:

- Aloha festival: Review festival. (5 minutes) Judy: it went very well, with lots of help and participation from club members. We made a little bit of money, and everybody seemed to have a good time.
- New sign for beach: Status?(5 minutes) Kristen got a quote for \$48 per side, "real estate size," for vinyl signs. Lynn suggested getting a sign for the shed, too. Kristen will get additional quotes for larger signs. Kristen solicited input on the design and wording of the sign. The board will authorize the purchase after getting final quotes. We hope to get this done before our next meeting.
- Monterey Bay crossing: Update(2 minutes) Gayle hasn't heard any word yet about whether there will be a race.. It looks unlikely, because no word has been sent out. Our club won't pursue it any further.
- Cleaning canoes: How are we doing?(5 minutes) Judy: The canoes are looking cleaner. We must move them into the parking lot by Oct. 31. We should give them a good cleaning then. At our next meeting, we'll finalize plans to move them to the parking lot.

VII New business:

- Bradley Lightning, International Sprint Races, Fund raising, buying canoe: Open discussion (5 minutes) Gayle hasn't gotten any response to her queries about whether we can first try a Bradley Lightning, and how late we can pay our deposit. NCOCA is trying to get all of the clubs to buy at least one canoe. Judy suggested we share a canoe with Pu'pu club. We'll discuss this again next month.
- Elections: Nominations in October. Ballot in November. New officers in January. Per the March minutes, persons up for re-election include Laura, Lynn, Tony, Gayle, Renee, and Pam. Per the January minutes, two-year board members who will continue next year include: Kristen, Judy, Amos, Robert, Catherine, Yoko, and John. (Cata is also listed, but I recall that she later removed herself from the board.(10 minutes) We'll finalize election plans next meeting.
- Review by-laws: What updates are needed? Should we do a mailing?(5 minutes) Jeri Ann will finish collecting suggested changes, then mail the proposals to the club members. Jeri Ann asked everybody to send her any further suggestions right away.
- Boat painting: Open discussion. (5 minutes) John will work with Tony to schedule a time to take the canoes to the boat painter.

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- Hosting for Sprint regatta: Open discussion (5 minutes) Gayle: NCOCA will decide next October who'll host races for next year. If we're chosen, and we decide to host a race, then we'll have to start planning for it in Nov.
- Review workout schedules Requests for more recreation practices. Long distance Saturday morning paddles. (5 minutes) Monday evenings offer an additional paddle for novices. One boat will go out of the harbor, and another will stay in the harbor to focus on skill building for very novice paddlers. On Saturdays, we'll try to have two canoes: one for distance training, another for a shorter go out.
- Inter-club scrimmages: Open discussion (5 minutes) General agreement that scrimmages could be fun. We'll look for opportunities.
- Jeri Ann will email people who've expressed interest in the Lobster Row, informing them of the 9/20 deadline to register.
- Lighted Boat parade to be discussed at October meeting. The parade is the 1st Saturday of December.
- Next meeting agenda items: When and Where next meeting? (5 minutes) October 15, 5:00,

VII Meeting retrospective:

 What worked well about this meeting? What can be improved for future meetings? (5 minutes) 1) Stay on topic; 2) Assign time keeper (Gayle volunteers)

Amos motioned to end the meeting at 6:45. Gayle 2nd.

VII Delayed for Future meetings:

- I. Club Shirts: Ask Kristen for update on shirts? (5 minutes)
- 2. UCSC Community Outreach, Connecting Communites Catherrine Report
- 3. Waivers: Change format to request email address (3 minutes)
- 4. Swim certification: Open discussion (5 minutes)
- Election of other officers: Need to identify other officers. First brainstorm on other offices. Ask for volunteers for each office. If more than one volunteer, then will need to have ballots to elect officers.(12 minutes)