

Akau Hana Club Meeting

Total Time: 110 minutes

I. Call to order: (2 minutes)

Amos called the meeting to order at 5:06, at which time Laura began running the meeting. Gayle agreed to be time keeper.

II. Roll call and agenda review: (5 minutes)

1. The following Board members signed in: **Pam Myer, Kristen Dowell, Lynn Soriano, Gayle Bensusan, Laura Ruff, Amos Hahn, Robert Boltje, Yoko McMillin, Judy Sintetos, Tony Francis.** The following general members signed in: **Jeri Ann Smith, Cici Stebbins, Lisa Franklin.**
2. Review agenda.

III. Secretary's report (5 minutes)

- I. Review previous minutes and approve.

Amos motioned to approve the minutes. Tony 2nd.

IV. Treasurer's report (5 minutes)

Judy reported that there were no significant changes to our bank accounts. Lynn motioned to approve the Treasurer's report. Tony 2nd.

V. Committee reports

- I. Report on NCOCA: **Gayle and Kristin report on activities.**(5 minutes)

Gayle reported the following: We don't need to host a regatta this year, but in 2008, we're expected to host a sprint race. Because of our club's small size, we can share hosting responsibilities with another club.

Gayle suggested that we consider hosting this side of the Monterey Bay crossing next Oct. (to be discussed in the future).

The next NCOCA meeting is Jan. 21st.

On April 22nd, there will be an all day clinic as well as an NCOCA meeting. Two members from every club must attend the race registration portion of the clinic.

The NCOCA is also planning to adopt some rules changes next year, which may include: if a club doesn't send 2 people to the race they've been assigned to help, a \$150 fine will be imposed; every club needs a VHF1 radio; if you are racing, you must be signed into a race by 2:30 PM. More details about rules changes will follow.

Gayle asked all OC1 and OC2 racers to let Wave Chaser organizers know when you're racing, so that the Wave Chaser organizers can prepare the right amount of food for lunch.

2. Coaches corner: [Update from Lynn \(5 minutes\)](#)

Lynn reported: Lots of people are getting close to becoming coaches. Yoko is taking the lead on the Wave Chaser racing program. We held a small canoe scrimmage that was a lot of fun. We should continue the small canoe scrimmages, perhaps on a monthly basis.

3. Kudo's corner: [\(5 minutes\)](#)

Congratulations to RJ, Lisa, Robert, Yoko, and Jim for their Half Moon Bay Wave Chaser results. Thanks to Robert and Lisa for great end-of-year party! Congratulations to RJ for being the only OC 1 to race in the storm at Wave Chaser race in Sausalito. Thanks to all who participated in the small boat scrimmage. Thanks to Lisa for organizing the moon-light paddle! Awesome sign, Kristen! Thanks to Yoko for Saturday's paddle to 4 mile with 4 OC-6 canoes. Thanks to Judy for counting election ballots. Thanks to Lynn and Yoko for bringing Akau Hana and SCOCC together for fun paddles.

4. New certifications: [Are there other new certifications for OC-6 steering? Are there new certifications for small boats? \(3 minutes\)](#)

Lynn reported: A number of people are moving up fast on the small canoes. We'll assess over the next month. Laura and Tony are getting close to becoming certified for steering OC6's outside of the harbor.

VI Old business:

1. Elections: [Judy report on board member elections.\(5 minutes\)](#)

Board member election results:

- Only 12 people voted, and nearly everybody who voted said they wanted everybody who was nominated to be on the board.
- There was discussion about whether to include everybody who was nominated. Tony motioned to do so; Lynn 2nd; vote was unanimous. The board members starting their 2-year terms on Jan., 2001 are: Gayle Bensusan, Tony Francis, Lisa Franklin, Robert (RJ) Hermann, Pam Myers, Laura Ruff, Jeri Ann Smith, and Lynn Soriano

2. New OC-6 canoe: [Get update from NCOCA meeting on requirements Open discussion \(5 minutes\)](#)

Gayle heard a report that the new Bradley Lighting ran "like lightening" at the Molokai Crossing.

To get more information about purchasing a Bradley Lightning, Gayle has been trying to contact Auntie Marilyn via email, but Auntie Marilyn hasn't responded. Pam volunteered to call Auntie Marilyn.

After a general discussion, Yoko motioned that we purchase a Bradley Lighting, contingent on it being available by spring. 2nd by Gayle. All voted "yes."

3. Boat painting: [Open discussion.](#) (5 minutes)

Roger will paint Makani Akua for free. Tony will contact Roger (510-783-9703 wk, 510-458-5199; helicomp@earthlink.net) about scheduling a time to have Makani Akua painted. Tony also needs to coordinate with Brett, who's storing his boat on our trailer.

4. Club Shirts and Paddle shirts: [Ask Kristen order status? Ask about pocket logo for paddle shirts](#) (5 minutes)

Judy will write a club check to pay for 50 sweatshirts. Then club members will write personal checks to Akau Hana. Judy will handle the money. Kristen will ask the manufacturer about sizing and for a sample. Kristen will also help troubleshoot font problems with our logo for shirts and race jerseys.

5. Lighted Boat parade: [Parade is Saturday, December 2. Report from Laura. Application deadline on Nov 25. \\$30/boat which includes event turtleneck.](#) (5 minutes)

Laura has to work the night of the Boat Parade, so she can't help. There's not enough interest to participate. We'll reconsider participating in 2007.

VII New business:

1. Additional by-laws: [Proposal to restrict board membership for partners/spouses.](#) (3 minutes)

Gayle would like to see how the Board operates next year, and then reconsider her proposal next year.

2. Disposal of old sign: [How should we dispose of all sign.](#) (2 minutes)

Gayle will dispose of the old sign in the dumpster at Surf Tech.

3. Inter-club activities and scrimmages: [How can we promote inter-club activities? Should we have monthly small canoe scrimmages?](#) (2 minutes)

There was general agreement that we want to continue these kinds of activities. Lynn will find out how to easily communicate with SCOC and Pu Pu about future events.

4. Storing green monster: [Should we rent space to store green monster at harbor?](#) (3 minutes)

Judy offered the following proposal: people who use small canoes can help defray the cost for rental storage. If club members get their own canoes, they might consider sharing a storage arm with the “green monster.”

Lynn offered the following additional proposal: ask rec paddlers to make a one-time donation. There was general agreement to this proposal. Tony will add this information to the web site.

Current fees are \$45/mo. per rack.

Judy will come to next meeting with a proposal for storing the “green monster” on the harbor.

5. Bathroom key: [Should we try to get replacement for bathroom key?](#) (2 minutes)

Gayle will check with Harbor Office about getting a replacement key.

6. Next meeting agenda items: [When and Where next meeting? Proposal to meet next in January since people are busy with holidays in December](#) (3 minutes)

Laura proposed that we skip the December meeting, and reconvene on 3rd Sunday of January (January 21). After some discussion, it was agreed that the only business that the board would need to attend to before January 21 is whether to rent additional small canoe storage, and that this can be done via email.

Therefore, per general agreement, the next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 21, at 5:00 PM in the Yacht Harbor Public Meeting Room.

VII. Election of Officers

7. Elections of officers: [Follow process below](#) (35 minutes)

- a. [Identify officer positions \(President, Vice President, Secretary, and Head Coach\) that are up for re-election. \(2 min\)](#)
- b. [Each person that is interested in particular position talks about what role they would like to have in the board and what they would like to contribute. \(10 min\)](#)
- c. [Open discussion and comments regarding whom to elect for each office. \(10 min\)](#)
- d. [Review election format. Decide whether the group wants to elect one officer at a time, or elect all officers on one ballot. \(3 min\)](#)
- e. [Use form to elect officers by secret ballot.\(10 min\)](#)

Officer election results:

- **President: Tony**
 - **Vice President: Robert**
 - **Secretary: Jeri Ann**
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• Head Coach: Lynn

Amos motioned that the meeting be adjourned at 6:50. Tony 2nd.

VII Delayed for Future meetings:

1. Fund Raising: Ed has suggested making leis for weddings. Open discussion. Do we need to establish subcommittee to identify specific plans and propose to the board? (5 minutes)
 2. UCSC Community Outreach, Connecting Communities Catherrine Report
 3. Waivers: Change format to request email address (3 minutes)
 4. Swim certification: Open discussion (5 minutes)
 5. 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)
 5. OC-6 steers person certification: The subcommittee is Lynn, Cheryl, Judy. Cata, Yoko, and Jeri Ann and are asked to give updates. Lynn has consolidated feedback and plans to meet with Jeri Ann. , Jeri Ann will work on draft for steers person certification similar format of small canoe site. Jeri Ann will work on this during the winter months. (2 minutes)
 6. Cleaning canoes: How are we doing? (5 minutes)
 7. Lei Making for graduations: Discuss fund raiser in March (5 minutes)
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