

## Akau Hana Club Meeting

### I. Call to order: (5:10 PM)

1. The following people attended the board meeting: Amy Waynar, Dave Waynar, Tony Francis, Jeri Ann Smith, Lisa Franklin, Robert Boltje, Cata Gomes, Megan Thomas, and Judy Sintetos.
1. Coaches corner: There were no updates from coaches.
1. Safety update: Susan Ashley sent out a message that the new radios are in a box in the shed and are ready to take out. All the radios are placed in a individual radio dry bag. Radios should always be used when canoes are taken out of the harbor. Cata also mentioned that the inflatable life vests should be worn to meet the Coast Guard specifications. We also discussed the need to have more certified steers people. We need more steers people for practices, particularly recreational and keiki. At a minimum we need more steers people for the harbor. It was noted that with the racing season complete, now is a good time for people to work on their steering skills.
2. Kudo's corner: 1) Congratulations to Men's Molokai team. Thanks to Dan Sweet for designing race jersey. 2) Thanks to Kim for Lobster Row coordination. 3) Thanks to Tracy for Santa Cruz Wavechaser coordination. 4) Thanks to Dan Sweet for designing the Jamfest flyer.
3. Review Upcoming Events:
  - 3.1. October 26: End-of-year party: Review committees: 1.) Food (Toby already has the ball rolling with this via Aloha Island Grille) 2.) Publicity/fliers (this will include writing a public service announcement and getting it to radio stations). 3.) Raffle/silent auction (organize, solicit donations, set it up, run it, etc.) 4.) Set up/break down (decorations, video projection, helping the food people, Akau Hana concessions etc. 5.) Bands/entertainers/schedule. Tony will add sponsors to our website when the raffle committee tells him who donated raffle prizes.
  - 3.2. November 2: Review end-of-year party plans. Pam is hosting the party at her house.
  - 3.3. See website club calendar for more events. Jeri Ann will add the Wavechaser races to the club calendar. (Note: This has been completed.)

### IV. Old business:

1. Equipment plans: Amy and Dave reviewed the 1st priority equipment needs for winter. The first need is to build new saddles. They will set up a saddle building/repair party. We also need to consider painting canoes and repairing damaged canoes. Jeri Ann also requested that Amy and Dave put together a a prioritize list of equipment needs and an estimated equipment budget prior to the November 15 club strategy meeting.
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2. Race/Event coordinators: We need race coordinators for Redwood City Wavechaser on December 13 and Crissy Field on January 10. Jeri Ann will send an email asking for volunteers.

**v. New business:**

1. None.

**vi. Roll call and agenda review for board meeting:**

**vii. Secretary's report**

1. Previous minutes were approved. (Amy proposed/Bob seconded. Vote to approve was unanimous.)

**viii. Treasurer's report**

1. Tony provided an update on the men's Molokai expenses and fundraising. Tony requested and received Board approval for \$1138 to pay for the food served at fundraiser. (Meghan proposed/Dave seconded. Vote to approve was unanimous.) The total income from the golf tournament and dinner was \$4173. Total costs for food, golf fees, Molokai race registration, and Molokai chase boat was \$4155. The club made \$7.
2. Judy's treasury report. Checking \$6243, Savings \$2500. Treasurer's report was approved. (Tony/Dave. Unanimous.)

**ix. Old business:**

1. None

**x. New business:**

2. Elections: Judy and Robert reported on nominations to the board. Board terms are up for Gayle Bensusan (Race Representative), Tony Francis (President), Lisa Franklin (Fund Raising co-chair) Pam Myers (Vice President), Jeri Ann Smith (Secretary), Lynn Soriano (Head Coach), and Cata Gomes. (Remaining board members include: Robert Boltje (Fund Raising Co-chair), Tracy Cone, Bob Darling (Safety Officer), Amy Kleinfeldt (Equipment Co-Manager), Judy Sintetos (Treasurer), Catherine Steele, Meghan Thomas, Dave Waynar (Equipment Co-Manager). The following people were nominated to the board: Pam, Tony, Jeri Ann, Cata, Gayle, Kim, and Kate. Dave proposed that we accept these nominees to our board and close the elections. At the Nov. 9 meeting, the new board members will meet and elect officers for the open offices (i.e., President, Vice President, Secretary, and Head Coach) from the newly elected board of directors.
  2. Review last year: We have a potluck scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 15. We discussed moving the meeting from 5 PM to Noon to 4 PM. The board agreed to move the meeting to Noon. (Note: subsequent to the meeting, we decided to not have a potluck, but to instead start at 1:00 PM.) Pam and
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Jeri Ann proposed conducting a survey of club members, and the board agreed to proceeding with a survey.

## **xI. Next Meeting:**

1. Next meeting agenda items: The next meeting is scheduled for November 9.

## **VII Meeting retrospective:**

1. The meeting format was changed several months ago to encourage club members to attend the meetings. The agenda changed to cover general club items first. Jeri Ann proposed moving back to the prior format. The new format is not bringing in any more club members, and some of the important board items are not covered until near the end of the meeting when people are tired or need to leave. All agreed to change the format back to the original format.
2. Compare the short agenda for this month, coming only 3 weeks after our last meeting, with the long agenda we had for the Sept. meeting, which came 6 weeks after our August meeting. We discussed whether our meetings are more manageable if we keep more regular: roughly every 4 weeks. All agreed that the more frequent meetings are more manageable. All agreed to start our meetings on time at 5:00 PM so that we can end earlier.

Cata motioned that we adjourn the meeting. Judy seconded. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

## **VII Delayed for Future meetings:**

1. Swim certification: Open discussion (5 minutes)
  2. Naming the OC-2: The canoe name is Huaka'i. Who volunteers to letter the canoe and host a blessing for her? In prior meeting, we agreed to coordinate with blessing for completion of SCOCC merger celebration. (2 minutes)
  3. UCSC paddling program. Report from Robert. (5 minutes)
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