

**Akau Hana Board Meeting, November 8, 2009** (Draft 2)  
(Harbor meeting room, 1 hour 55 minutes)

**1. Call to order and roll call:** Tony calls the meeting to order at 4:30pm. Robert is taking notes. Kim acts as time keeper. Board members present: Gayle Bensusan, CatHeron Steele, Bob Darling, Pam Myers, JeriAnn Smith, Tony Francis, Cata Gomes, Ruth Romero, Kim Sides, Amy Waynar, Dave Waynar, Judy Sintetos, Robert Boltje (13). Further club members present: Dave Dyc, Kay Miyamoto, Tina Wallis, Amy Culver, Dave Loustalot, Julie Quale.

**2. Secretary's report:** Kim motions to approve the minutes of the October board meeting. Cata seconds, everybody approves.

**3. Treasurer's report:** Kim presents the treasurer's report. The account balances on November 3 are \$10,576 for the checking account and \$3,304 for the savings account. Dave W. motions to approve the treasurer's report, Amy W. seconds, everybody approves.

**4. Board members, officer positions and other functions for next year:** The new board determines its officers and other positions for the next year.

(a) Listed are the fourteen board members for 2010 with officer positions or other functions they are responsible for (\* means newly voted in):

- Gayle Bensusan (Race Representative)
- Bob Darling\* (Head Coach)
- Dave Dyc\* (Equipment Manager).
- Tony Francis (President, Assisting Public Relations Chair)
- Cata Gomes (Cultural Chair, Community Service Co-Chair)
- Dave Loustalot\*
- Kay Miyamoto\*
- Pam Myers (Vice President, Membership Chair)
- Julie Quale\*
- Nicole Robbins\*
- Ruth Romero
- Kim Sides (Treasurer, Assisting Membership Chair)
- Jeri Ann Smith (Race Coordinator Chair).
- CatHeron Steele\* (Secretary, Community Service Co-Chair)

(b) Next are listed general club members who have generously assumed responsibilities to assist the board:

- Susan Ashley (Safety Co-Chair)
- Tracy Cone (Public Relations Chair)
- Lisa Storer (Safety Co-Chair)
- Amy Waynar (Fund-Raising Chair)

(c) Volunteers who want to take on the role of Social Chair are encouraged to contact the board.

**5. Coaches' corner:** Bob announces coaching and certification positions for next year as of now:

CLUB'S HEAD COACH: Bob Darling.

MEN'S PROGRAM: Robert Boltje (head coach), Dave Loustalot, Dave Waynar (assistant coaches).

WOMEN'S PROGRAM: Amy Culver and Leslie Eurs will be assistant coaches. Women's head coach not yet determined.

KEIKI: Nick Calubaquib and Tracy Cone.

RECREATIONAL: Lynn Soriano.

SMALL BOATS: Reservations will be done with Judy Sintetos. Becky will assist with determining level. Formal coaches to be determined.

STEERING COMMITTEE: Head coaches and Lynn.

NOVICE PROGRAM: Still to be determined.

Bob suggests to schedule men's and women's weekday practices for the same evenings. This would leave more possibilities for other programs (Rec, fitness, advanced rec, coed, novice, etc.). It can only work when we have the new canoe. A discussion about this suggestion evolves. Even with the new canoe it can be very tight. We don't have to decide this now. Bob will continue to discuss this with the coaches.

**6. Fundraising suggestion:** Tina Wallis suggests to use eScrip to raise funds for the club. Tina explains that in addition to the online purchase options that were presented during the last board meeting, one can also buy gift certificates online via eScrip.

Jeri Ann motions to authorize Tina to register our club with E-Script, Dave W seconds, everybody votes yes.

**7. Insurance:** Dave Loustalot reports: To cover \$65,000 value of equipment, the premium would be just under \$1,5000. Including sailing canoe (\$25,000)

and all canoes (average \$8,000). Jeri Ann motions to insure the canoes at the purchase value, Dave W. seconds, everybody approves.

**NCOCA Samoa tsunami relief donation:** Tony reports that the NCOCA will collect donations for a Samoa tsunami relief fund. Cata motions that the club contributes \$100. Amy W. seconds, everybody approves.

**8. Name Change:** Cata reports that a Hawaiian native she talked to was taken in with the part "Akau" (North) of our name, because it is a main term in canoe navigation. Cata suggests the name "Akau Outrigger Canoe Club Santa Cruz". Tony wants to send out an email to the whole club with where we stand with the name change and what suggestions we have so far.

Through informal channels we heard that Rex Walters wants Akau Hana's promise honored not to use the name "Santa Cruz Outrigger Canoe Club". Everybody agrees that we will honor this promise.

**9. Kudo's corner:** 1) thanks to Pam for hosting the year end party. 2) Thanks to Tony and Jeri Ann for towing Maka Nui for the painting job. 3) Thanks to everyone that helped move the canoes from the beach to the parking lot. 4) Thanks to the coaches for putting together thoughtful gifts.

**10. Next Meeting:** Bob motions to have the next board meeting January 10, 2010, Pam seconds, everybody approves.

**11. Adjournment:** Kim motions to adjourn the meeting, Dave W. seconds, everybody approves. Time: 6:25pm.