

The address for the board is: akauhanaboard@googlegroups.com  
Sunday April 11, 2010 Meeting notes  
Akau Hana Club Meeting Estimated Total Time: 90 minutes

Note regarding meeting time: The first time in parentheses shows the estimated number of minutes required to cover an item. The second time at the end shows the actual time.

Present at the Board meeting were board members: Gayle Bensusan, Dave Dyc, Tony Francis, Catalina Gomes, Dave Loustalot, Pam Meyers, Kay Miyamoto, Julie Quale, Nichole Robbins, Ruth Romero, Kim Sides, Cat Heron Steele.

I. Called to order: (5:02 PM, 2 minutes)

I.1. Passed out sign up sheet. Reviewed agenda. Welcomed all club members

I.2. Roll call and agenda reviewed for board meeting: (5:02 PM, 3 minutes)

I.2.1. Passed out sign up sheet. Reviewed agenda. Kim kept time. Cat took meeting notes.

II. Secretary's report (5:05 PM, 5 minutes)

II.1. Reviewed and approved February and March 2010 minutes, as follows:

February minutes: Corrected to show Cata as a Rec Coach. 5.1.a. Approved with corrections.

March minutes: Approved by vote. (5:12)

III. Treasurer's report (5:10 PM, 10 minutes)

III.1. Kim's treasury report reviewed and approved. (5:20)

III.2. Kim provided an update on membership dues.

Report includes initiation fee payments for new members.

Last meeting, we agreed that April 1 is the final date for dues/fees after which club members will not be allowed to use equipment. Do we have unpaid active club members? Kim knows who has paid or is paying but does not know who actually shows up to paddle.

III.2.1. Tony anticipates \$3000 for Maka Nui painting.

III.3. Dave Dyc reported on status of free parking passes. Dave Dyc received 7 additional Harbor Parking Passes. Bob distributed them as follows: Dave Dyc, Tony Francis (Tow Vehicle), Kim Sides, TBD, TBD, TBD, TBD.

IV. Old business:

IV.1. Coaches corner (5:20 PM, 20 minutes):

IV.1.1. Coaches report from Bob, sent by email.

IV.1.2. Update on race schedule.

The Head Men's & Women's Coaches have decided to participate in the following early season races:

Saturday, May 8: Berkeley Pier Race (Akau Hana Men & Women)

Saturday, May 15 : Santa Barbara Rig Run (Akau Hana Men & Women)

Saturday, May 29: Monterey Memorial Day Hoe (Akau Hana Men & Women)

Sunday, May 30: Monterey Memorial Day Hoe (Akau Hana Co-Ed Crews)

Saturday, June 19: Avila Beach Pineapple Express (Akau Hana Men & Women). Bob Darling will coordinate the logistics for the above events.

IV.1.3. Report on recreational paddling opportunities - update:

Lynn Soriano is planning to open Rec. Paddles on Tuesday and/or Thursday evenings starting around 5:30pm. She has sent an e-mail to the Club List to: determine interest level of paddlers and best night(s); find experienced steers people that would commit to the program (Lynn will handle one or both evening paddles); determine best start time for the evening Rec. Paddles.

IV.1.4. Safety report from Ruth:

Ruth went to NCOCA race clinic. She reported on suggestions which include the following: All boats and all paddlers should have whistles. Throw ropes with flotation devices. Safety bags have flares and radios. Carry mirror and whistle. What to wear in cold water. Listen to crew members who have doubts. Risk assessment, team communication & coordination, respect concern, prove otherwise, and post-briefing. Spare steering blades and paddles (5:40)

IV.2. Kudo's corner (5:40 PM, 5 minutes):

IV.2.1.) Thanks to Nick for kicking off Keiki program.

- IV.2.2.) Thanks to Gayle, Pam, Ruth, and Tony for attending NCOCA race clinic.
- IV.2.3.) Thanks to Amy C for presentation at NCOCA steering clinic.
- IV.2.4.) Thanks to Lisa S for repairing canoe covers.
- IV.2.5.) Thank to Lisa F and Nichole for cleaning and organizing the shed.
- IV.2.6.) Thanks from the Harbor Office for moving canoes early. Thanks from PuPu for including them in the move.
- IV.2.7.) Thanks to Dave Loustalot for negotiating insurance for Keiki summer camp.

IV.3. Equipment plans (5:45 PM, 15 minutes):

- IV.3.1. Dave Dyc provided an update on equipment status. Third ama has been repaired and is back on Makani Akua. Dave talked with John Aiman.
- IV.3.2. Dave Dyc provided update on purchase of new wheels and cradles: New wheels arrived and are assembled, ready to go. (5:50)
- IV.3.3. Pam provided an update on new canoe purchase:  
Canoe weighs 330 pounds. Do we need to add weights? Dave Dyc said take it light and add our own weights when needed. Canoe will probably ship week of April 15-20. When does the canoe become our canoe: when it arrives here or when it leaves the builder's shop? What does it cost to insure our canoe while in transit? Dave L will add it to the club's insurance schedule.

IV.3.4. Pam provided an update for naming of our new canoe: Pam suggested we name it "uila" (Hawaiian for "Lightning"). The Board approved her suggestion, pending confirmation from our Hawaiian language expert friends that "uila" means what we intend. (6:02)

IV.3.5. Tony reported on Maka Nui's paint job. Tony left phone messages with Roger Stouffers who is in charge of painting the canoe. Roger has not returned the phone calls.

IV.4. Fund Raising (6:00 PM, 5 minutes):

- IV.4.1. Dave Loustalot agreed to coordinate our club's fundraising activities. (6:15)

IV.5. Business cards (6:05 PM, 5 minutes):

Kim provided an update on business cards. We don't have the cards yet and cards have not been ordered. (6:16)

IV.6. Club name change (6:10 PM, 10 minutes):

Tony provided the status of the name change committee. All the Hawaiian names have some concern for meaning. No confirmation of alternatives. Kalae is willing to meet with the naming committee and give guidance in choosing and creating a name. Our goal is to find our new name before Molokai. Cata has added a possible name to Hawaiian contact: it is Hua Mua which means cresting a swell and moving forward.(6:30)

IV.6.1. Cata introduced the need to remind ourselves of protocol and respect of the canoes.

IV.7. Google Groups (6:20 PM, 10 minutes):

Tony provided update on Google Groups. Discussed rollout and usage of Google groups. 45 members have joined the google club list. JeriAnn sent invitations to people to join the club google list. Ask JeriAnn to send new google board invitations to Nicole and Dave L.

IV.8. NCOCA Race Clinic (6:30 PM, 15 minutes):

Tony, Ruth, Gayle, and Pam reported on race clinic. They will write up notes and submit for club website.

V. New business:

V.1. NCOCA upcoming meeting:

The next NCOCA meeting is on Sunday, April 25th. Tony will be out of town and unable to attend the meeting. Who can represent us at the meeting? Ruth and Cata will attend on behalf of club.

V.2. Other new business (6:45 PM, 5 minutes)

- V.2.1. Keiki budget: Dave Loustalot acquired insurance for the Keiki summer canoe camp.

V.3. Next meeting agenda items (6:50 PM, 5 minutes):

Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, May 9th. This is Mother's Day. Can we change to another Sunday? The Board agreed to move the next meeting to Sunday May 23rd. Any items to

add? (6:50 PM, 5 minutes)

VI. Delayed for Future meetings:

VI.1. 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)

VI.2. New paddler brochure/web pages (5 minutes): Tony is developing new paddler web pages.

VI.3. Liability Insurance: Should we get liability insurance for our directors? Should we get accident insurance for club members? (Dave L.) (5 minutes)

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm

Notes submitted by Cat Heron Steele