

**Akau Hana Board Minutes for August 8, 2010**  
**with additions, corrections, and update from Gayle, Kim, and Cata**

**Akau Hana Club Meeting Estimated Total Time: 105 minutes**

**I. Call to order: (5:00 PM, 2 minutes) Actual time: 5:15 pm**

**Present at meeting: Gayle Bensusan, Bob Darling, Tony Francis, Cata Gomes, Dave Loustalot, Kay Miyamota, Pam Myers, Julie Quale, Jeri Ann Smith, Cat Heron Steele.**

**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 for Board. Reviewed agenda.. Gayle kept time . Cat took meeting minutes.**

**II. Secretary's report (5:05 PM, 5 minutes) 5:17 pm**

**II.1. Reviewed and MSP to approve June minutes.**

**III. Treasurer's report (5:10 PM, 10 minutes) 5:20 pm**

**III.1. Kim will send treasury report as she couldn't be here. Gayle has discussed reserve with Kim and new figures are forthcoming.**

**IV. Old business:**

**IV.1. Coaches corner: (5:20 PM, 25 minutes) 5:35 pm**

**IV.1.1. Bob Darling reported on coaching activities. Updated racing plans.**

**IV.1.2. Race teams will do four more races this season: Tony Gora, Angel Island, Catalina, and Monterey Bay Crossing. Four crews competed in Alcatraz "Round the Rock" race this weekend.**

**IV.1.3. First week of Keiki Camp for 6 yrs to 10 yrs was very successful, kudos to Cata, Ruthie, Kay, and coaches Nick and Tracy. Second group is 11 yrs to 14 yrs and starts tomorrow. All keiki camp kids will compete at Aloha Races.**

**IV.1.4. Sunday Recreation crew is going strong. New policy is "1 free and \$10.00 thereafter".**

**IV.1.5. We have entered crews outside of our practice site: Vancouver crew took a 3rd place. Liberty race in NY Harbor, our ladies took a 2nd place. Na Pali race features Akau Hana paddlers. Truckee Club donated \$60.00 to our club for use of canoe.**

**IV.2. Kudo's corner: (5:45 PM, 5 minutes) 5:37 pm**

**1.) Thanks to Dave Dyc for coordinating the canoe weighing and to everyone who came to help.**

**2.) Thanks to Bob for coordinating the Avila race and to Nate and Dave W. for towing.**

**3.) Thanks to Ruthee for doing race registration at the last Sprint Race.**

**4.) Thanks to Yoko for organizing Shared Adventures.**

**5.) Thanks to Lisa Storer for assistance with setting up practice and race signups for the women.**

**6.) Thanks to Kim for obtaining business cards.**

**7.) Thanks to Bob Darling & crews who helped get our canoes weighed.**

**8.) Thanks to Yoko and others who helped with Shared Adventures.**

**9.) Congratulations to NY crew on 2nd place finish.**

**10.) Thanks to coaches for organizing Alcatraz race.**

**11.) Thanks to Ruthie for attending NCOCA meeting and PICA.**

**IV.3. Equipment plans: (5:50 PM, 10 minutes) 5:40 pm**

**IV.3.1. Dave Dyc not present, sent note: equipment is functional for races. Pam talked with Ryan who built uila. Said a gel coat would prevent chafing of bare skin.**

**IV.4. Fund Raising: (6:00 PM, 10 minutes) 5:50 pm**

**IV.4.1.** Dave Loustalot reported on fund raising activities. Re-branding, name change, and 25th anniversary coming up. Lynn is selling Wai Uli tee-shirts & caps as a fund-raiser. Ruthie is still collecting recycling for the club.

**IV.5. Club name change: (6:10 PM, 10 minutes) 6:17 pm**

**IV.5.1.** Tony provided the status of the name change committee.

**IV.5.2.** Described voting procedure. Will probably use "Survey Monkey" for Board and Coaches; if it works, we will use it for club vote.

**IV.5.3.** He proposed that the Board and Coaches narrow the suggested names down to four choices. MSP to accept proposal.

**IV.5.4.** What goes out to Club: Criteria for how we selected potential names and section for comments.

**IV.5.5.** Dave Loustalot spoke of connection to Santa Cruz as a club name and Outrigger Santa Cruz.

**IV.6. Aloha Festival: (6:20 PM, 15 minutes) 6:25 pm**

**IV.6.1.** Cata provided update on Aloha Festival plans. She needs checks for Aloha festival purchases.

**IV.6.2.** We will have two booths: one for shave ice and coconuts; the other is a fund-raiser for Wai Uli the sailing canoe.

**IV.6.3.** Aloha Races: Who is paddling over in the morning? Sign-up sheet is in shed for past week.

Sign-ups will also go to club google group. Majority of steerers and strokeers will be from our club.

Who wants to be point person to coordinate with Linda Dresbach and communicate with her.

Estimate need for 12 steerspersons and 12 strokeers. Follow-up with Linda Dresbach the night before. We need sign-ups for Paddle Over and Paddle Back. We need steerspersons and strokeers for the morning of the races. 6:35 pm

**IV.7. Monterey Bay Crossing:**

**IV.7.1.** Lisa Storer will arrange bus for us.

**IV.7.2.** Flyer for soliciting chase boats is prepared by Jeri Ann. We have 6 commitments from chase boats.

**IV.7.3.** Tony Francis has made arrangements for insurance. Gayle volunteered to do food on the Santa Cruz side of the bay.

**IV.7.4.** Cata will be greeter on Monterey side with water and snacks.

**IV.7.5.** Need a race coordinator for Monterey Bay Crossing. Ask Nate if he can make arrangements for Zodiaks. Tony will talk with Linda about loaner canoes for other clubs and trailering. Kim will arrange for after party at London Bridge. Dan Sweet will help Pam with awards. Tony will be point person for de-rigging and loading canoes. Ask Judy if she can do race registration.

**IV.8. NCOCA:**

**IV.8.1.** NCOCA is considering reducing sprint races from 6 to 4 during June and July and reducing distance races to half the current number.

**V. New business:**

**V.1.1. Elections 2011:**

**V.1.2. Discussion on process.** Gayle will consider "driving" the election process. Tony does not intend to continue as President although he will continue on Board and will continue to maintain website.

**V.1.3.** Tony will ask Nichole to send formal letter of resignation. 6:55 pm

**V.1.4.** Cata announced that Clinton passed away suddenly and memorial is planned for August 28, expected to be a large gathering.

**V.2. Next meeting agenda items:**

Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday September 12 which is Catalina Island weekend.

Should we change to Sunday September 19? MSP: Yes.

Any agenda items to add to our next meeting? Yes--Elections.

(6:35 PM, 5 minutes)

**VI Meeting retrospective:**

**VI.1.** Should we make any changes to our meeting organization or process? (6:40 PM , 5 minutes)

**VII. Delayed for Future meetings:**

**VII.1. Naming the OC-2:** The canoe has previously been named and blessed. Cata knows the name. 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)

**VII.1. Updated with information from Cata:**

Update on our club's OC-2: The canoe name is \_\_\_\_\_ and means "Double Moon". It was named and blessed when Chris McGinnis was President. Cata will verify the Hawaiian name and tell Cat so that it can be recorded in Board minutes. The name needs to be lettered on the canoe and should be added to our website.

**VII.2. New paddler brochure:** Develop new paddler brochure. (5 minutes)

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

**VII.4. Keiki Budget:** Tony will report on Nick's budget proposal? (5 minutes)

**Meeting Adjourned: MSP 7:10 pm**