

HDGA Board Meetings 12/28/2017

Members present: Allen Borsky (Secretary), Eric Ruppen (Vice President), Michelle Lee (Treasurer), Alex Wong

Members Absent: Claire Lager – Excused. Claire was on a pre-planned mainland trip, Allen Bird (no show, no response), Jason Sickmiller (resigned – pending board acceptance)

Meeting started at 6:35PM

Allen Borsky gave a quick financial report stating that the association had a checkbook balance at Territorial Savings, as of November 30, 2017, of \$3998.00.

First order of business was to discuss whether or not to accept Jason Sickmiller's resignation from the HDGA board as President. A motion was made by Michelle to accept Jason's resignation. Allen Borsky seconded the motion, and all other members present (Alex, Eric, and Allen Borsky) agreed to accept Jason's resignation. The board also agreed to have Eric Reppun take over the president's responsibilities until after the upcoming Board member elections. Eric agreed.

Next order of business was to discuss Allen Bird's absence from several meetings, and correspondences between board members with regards to important discussions, events, and meetings. Michelle Lee made a motion that the board move to ask Allen Bird to resign. Allen Borsky seconded the motion. All other board members present were in agreement with the recommendation to ask Allen Bird to resign from the board. Board members who would be attending the upcoming December monthly were asked to personally speak with Allen Bird, and ask him to resign.

Next order of business was to discuss the upcoming elections and general membership meeting. Board members discussed who was up for re-election. Allen Borsky said that he was up for re-election, along with Claire Lager, and Eric Reppun. Allen Borsky also mentioned that Claire Lager was intending to step down from the board at the end of the year, and would not be running for re-election, due to the constraints of her new job.

Other board members who left the board this past year were also mentioned, Chris Stiles stepped down from the board in July, as he moved to North Carolina for school. Thomas Lagrave stepped down this past August due to work constraints. Randell Lazarus, who is in the military had to step down due to being on active duty and being away.

It was brought up that the board should try to replace/add five names to the upcoming election ballot. Allen Borsky mentioned that he would like to nominate Zondre Watson to the board; he said that he has spoken with Zondre who said he was very much interested in running for the HDGA board. Allen also mentioned that he had received an email from a member (Pam Martin) who wanted to nominate herself, along with Mark Gilbert, and Kirk Hohendrf. Allen told Pam that he would need to check the membership roster first to verify if the individuals being

nominated by her were current members, and if not that they would need to pay for their 2017 HDGA membership prior to the election.

The next order on the agenda was to discuss three proposed Bylaw changes to be added to the ballot on the upcoming elections. Allen mentioned that Article I Identification needed to be amended to reflect the association's new registered agent and registered agent's address.

The second bylaw proposal was to add a new section to Article V, Board of Directors. The new section would be related to the failure of duties of an HDGA Officer, and the consequences.

The third bylaw proposal had to do with adding a new Article that had to do with Dissolution of the association, in the event that the club decided to dissolve. Board members had questions regarding why this proposal should be added to the HDGA bylaws, and secretary Borsky mentioned that he had surveyed several mainland club bylaws and that they all had this in their bylaws, and thought that maybe we should have it in our as well.

Year-end monthly at Turtle Bay was discussed, and allen Borsky asked the treasurer for a budget for the year end monthly party after the monthly. The treasurer suggested/motioned a budget of \$200 for the after party, and all board members present agreed this was a fair amount to spend on food.

The updated contract agreement with Hele Huli Adventures Center and Brett Lee was discussed, as was the fact that we have gone an entire year with no signed agreement, although Brett had agreed to honor our prior agreement until a new agreement could be signed. The board also discussed the fact that Brett had not responded to the proposed renewal of our agreement that was sent to him back in September 2017. Brett did technically respond by asking if the board could highlight the parts of the contract that had changed and send it to him, because "he was too busy to read what we had sent him". The board responded that they would not do this and that he needs to read it. The board agreed that Allen Borsky would take Brett a new copy of the proposed new agreement to him and drop it off during the year-end event at Turtle Bay.

The board discussed the proposed 2018 monthly and event schedule and whether or not to hold an event (Foodbank fundraiser) at Ho'omaluhia in February. Eric asked the board to see if the Hawaii Foodbank could possibly secure the grounds of Honolulu Hale for our annual foodbank fundraiser instead. The board agreed to ask Roger Messner to speak with the Foodbank.

The board also discussed the possibility of holding a Birdy Bash, Ace Race, or Trinity Challenge in 2018. Location for this event was also discussed.

Next on the agenda the board discussed whether or not to raise the cost of membership and whether or not to give a disc or t-shirt with membership. The board voted unanimously to keep

the membership fee at \$25 for 2018. Board members also discussed the possibility of ordering a club fundraiser CFR disc for memberships.