



Aloha Arborist Association
Monthly Meeting
February 19, 2020, 6:30PM
Dixie Grill | 99-016 Kamehameha Hwy, Aiea, HI

In Attendance: Carin Prechtel, John McComas, Sergio Vasquez

1. Call to Order and Approval of November 2019 and January 2020 Meeting Minutes
 - a. Called to order at 6:35PM
 - b. There was no quorum, so minutes could not be approved.
2. Welcome Guests
3. Reports of Officers and Standing Committees
 - a. Treasurer's Report *Andrew Kendall*
 - i. Andrew not in attendance.
 - b. Jamboree Committee *Desiree Page*
 - i. AAA prize to highest placing Hawaiian Resident - (Please see attached information)
 1. Desiree proposes:
 - a. \$1000 prize as a "Sponsorship" to Western Chapter TCC
 - b. \$500 cash prize and we pay the registration fee if they commit to going to WCTCC
 - c. We discussed and like the idea that the winner gets to choose from the above two.
 - ii. Training Committee *Andrew Kendall*
 - iii. Should we do an Aerial rescue training soon?
 1. CTW Exam – April 11th. Enrollment deadline March 25th
 2. Last year we did one before April and another in October
 3. John has list of what you need to be certified.
 - a. He is going to share flow chart/list .
 - b. He is also going to call ISA for the proper documents.
 - iv. Training Event Calendar - First Aid, Aerial Rescue 2x/yr., Arbor Day Event
 1. Discussion around community outreach and being a non-profit v. promoting profit
 2. Providing CEU's for monthly meetings to get more engagement.
 - a. Re-promote AAA – Grand kick-off party?
 - b. John will get information for what we would need to talk about to have the meetings count for CEU's.
 - c. Having meetings be more professional and less personal discussions.
 - v. Providing Regular Workshops
 1. Second Saturday Workshop Ideas:
 - a. Fixing Chainsaws, Coco Climbing Training, Recognizing Tree Hazards
 - vi. Would we like to present our own seminar on Diagnosis/Treatment of Pests & Diseases, since Western Chapter Regional Conference will be on safety?
 1. Diagnosing coconut palm failures – How to determine if it's on the verge of failing.

4. Unfinished Business and General Orders

- a. Shirts?
- b. Membership Drive
 - i. Send email with one click to registration.
 - ii. Include new things coming up that have been discussed.

Carin Prechtl

5. New Business

- a. Moving Monthly Meeting Location?
 - i. Ok for now. Talking to Tylor about Lyon Arboretum.
- b. Navy Exchange is having an Earth Day Event and invited us to present/ have a booth.
 - i. Yes; we are interested.
- c. Updated Website
 - i. Other ways to communicate if can't come to meetings – chat rooms or sign-up area

6. Announcements

- a. Matt Ritter will join us in March to present his work in collaboration with Smart Trees Pacific and Kauai Community College to develop an online tool for tree selection and identification for the Hawaiian urban forest.
 - i. Example of his similar work in California is here: <https://selectree.calpoly.edu>

b. ***Please Join Us On:***

March 18th, 6:30PM – Monthly Meeting – Location: Dixie Grill