**Aloha Arborist Association**

**Monthly Meeting**

**September 23rd, 2020, 6:30PM**

**Zoom Link Here**

Present: Desiree Page, Dudley Hulbert, Tylor Schwarz, Will Loomis, Justin Barrios, Carol Kwan, Angela Liu, Jolie Dollar

Absent: Carin Prechtl, Sergio Vasquez

\*Quorum present\*

Meeting called to order: 6:30 PM

1. Call to Order and Approval of Draft [July 2020](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1M7GfG16ZZn6nXJkKQMjfrO_QkZ8vx7_Q/view?usp=sharing) and [August 2020](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_HcY4tDbo8GWPHg9ljdxV0ajTrdAOKnb/view?usp=sharing) Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve August minutes (Carol), seconded (Dudley); all approve –> Aug. Minutes APPROVED

Motion to approve July minutes (Dudley), seconded (Justin B.); all approve –> July Minutes APPROVED

1. Welcome Guests

Will Loomis is welcomed as a guest.

1. Reports of Officers ~~and Standing Committees~~
   1. Treasurer’s Report
   2. Training Committee
      1. Training event Calendar
         1. Western Tree Failure Database training (Carol Kwan to explain more)

California Tree Failure Database (old name)

Action Item: Carol Kwan to follow-up with Rose (Western ISA) about potential training.

Website: https://ucanr.edu/sites/treefail/

* + - 1. [Maui Association of Landscape Professionals Fall Training Series](https://maui-workforce.malp.org/landscape-workforce-education-series-fall-2020/)
      2. ISA exams (All Levels): Saturday, October 10, 2020 @ Paki Hale
         1. Need to apply now and then register for exam
         2. First Aid needed for tree climber exam

Action Item: Desiree to reach out to JM Decker (first aid instructor), recommended by Justin Barrios

Website: https://jmdeckergroup.com/first-aid%2Fcpr

* + - 1. Proper Pruning – Webinar featuring Dr. Jim Downer: Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020 - [Register](https://www.wcisa.net/meeting/5885)
         1. $10 COVID-19 Limited Time Discount, 1.0 ISA CEU
      2. Free On-Demand Webinars – [Coordinating Group on Alien Pest Species (CGAPS)](https://www.cgaps.org/free-webinars-on-demand/)
         1. Examples of webinars: Biocontrol on Strawberry Guava, Little Fire Ants in Hawaii
    1. Open Chair position

Decision: AAA Board will share responsibility. No longer have standing committees…change this section in the agenda to the “Reports of Officers.”

* 1. Jamboree Committee
     1. Progress update

Tylor gives update that Lyon Arboretum is willing to host.

Desiree decided to push date back due to COVID.

Action Item: Desiree to poll women climbers and reconsider format and Masters planning.

Need to develop a calendar of other tree climbing competitions.

1. Unfinished Business and General Orders
   1. [Revisiting our Vision Statement and Mission Statement](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1YYr5KkJ54-PybFhzIDu1SbXJR-TLQtSEpn9_BoHG4eY/edit?usp=sharing)
   2. [Carol’s revision](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1QDH3WPHgceaK5auVDiEfAhhRlzuPMC4y/view?usp=sharing)

Conversation about educating the public about the value of existing trees.

Action Item: Jolie to share information about past Kaulunani applicant focused on educating realtors about the value of trees on properties.

1. Educational Discussion (ambrosia beetle, CRB, and LFA)
   1. [New ambrosia beetle in Hawaii](https://peerj.com/articles/9987/?fbclid=IwAR1oJ7q1GFNJeu-E1SewceD_HBCl8LpQiXRCTHKM4NhgM9Fewcj21_21zoc) (detected in macadamia orchards on Hawaii Island)

Action Item: Carol to inquire with HDOA about a fact sheet for this pest.

* 1. Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Update
     1. [Map showing Jan-June 2020 trap hits](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PDzISOFmxDa9dGtr6TPOsDQEwH0YT_pE/view?usp=sharing) and [How to Report](https://drive.google.com/file/d/14eeGdajhNmmqhbHha3uiZ22NfQVyW1bS/view?usp=sharing)
  2. Little Fire Ant (LFA)
     1. October is [Spot the Ant, Stop the Ant month](http://stoptheant.org/)

1. Announcements
   1. ***Please Join Us On****:*

*October 21st, 6:30PM – Monthly Meeting – Location: Zoom*

Meeting Adjourned: 8:50 PM