

Hawaii Invasive Species Council
Public Outreach Working Group
Tuesday, Oct 27, 2005, 10am-Noon
HDOA, Plant Quarantine Branch

1. Call to Order

2. **Attendance:** Penny Levin, Priscilla Billig, Jolie Wanger, Christy Martin, Jody Smith, Rachel Neville, Jackie Kozak, Darcy Oishi, Maile Sakamoto, Mindy Wilkinson, Joylynn Oliveira , Les Matsuura (guest)

3. **Sept 13, 2005 Meeting Minutes approved**, still need to approve July minutes (add to next agenda). Jolie will bring them.

4. Budget Update

- \$50K released of remaining '04/05 funds, but only approximately \$15K available for outreach projects. Remainder of funds in contracts, supplies, pest hotline and PCSU overhead.
- For '06, \$128K available for grants and projects for outreach specialists*

5. Discussion of Grants Program

- Review committee set up (Jolie, Rachel. Suggest Ken and Tony**)
- Discussion about developing score sheet for grants
- Revision of '04 score sheet
 - Change scoring criteria
 - Keep track of target groups that are being addressed by funded proposals
 - Not a score mark, but info for reporting
 - Useful if info lets us know about under-represented groups
 - Tracks geographical distribution (statewide, multiple islands, one island?)
- Suggested changes for '06 scoresheet
 - Score Y/N for “degree to which project integrates new partners”
 - Clarify degree of leverage
 - Change numbering system
 - Add to top of first page of scoring: Total ____, Score ____, Recommendation ____

6. Update on Big Island Specialist

- Interviews completed. Offer made, but may need reconsideration. Recommended: HISC follow-up with BIISC manager.

7. Guest: Les Matsuura '04 Grant Recipient for Video Project w/ LCC

- Discussion of proposed project: Four 1-hour shows in panel format. Target is general public audience statewide. Programs will be aired on `Olelo.

- Possible topics: Terrestrial animals; terrestrial invasive plants; aquatic/marine invasives; diseases.
- Possible format: Overview; Challenges (political, obstacles); implications (economic, cultural); what you can do. Each show would have a similar format.
- Les needs from HISC: Topic clarification; list of experts; available footage of various invasive species

8. Set Next Meeting Date for Monday, December 5th, same place, same time

9. Adjourn

***Post-meeting Discussion Regarding Division of \$128K Outreach Funds**

- Review of projects requested by outreach specialists
- Decision to give \$65K to grants program, \$63K to outreach projects

**Review committee is now composed of Jolie, Rachel, Tony, and Mark