

The meeting was called to order at 3:07 p.m. at the National Tropical Botanical Garden with a quorum.

PRESENT:

Directors: Peter Tausend, (Presiding); David Smith; Blaise Boyle

Associate Directors:

Others: Jenna Dunn, District Conservationist; John Nelson, HACD Conservation Specialist; Rebekah Magers, District Assistant

REVIEW OF AGENDA:

MINUTES: Blaise motioned/ David seconded to approve the Minutes from 5/15/18; the motion was unanimously accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: David presented the Treasurer's Report for 6/19/18:

State of Hawaii DLNR Funds:

Balance as of 5/15/18		\$8,403.88
Income:		
Expenditures:		
.HACD Hotel & Airfare - Check 111	\$1365.05	
.HACD Registration - Check 112	\$885.00	
Current Balance 6/19/18:		\$6,153.83

WK District Funds:

Balance as of 5/15/18		\$9,000.61
Income:		
.Bank Interest	\$0.22	
Expenditures:		
Current Balance 5/15/18:		\$9,000.83

CORRESPONDENCE: Peter distributed the correspondence folder.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. GARDEN ISLAND RC & D: In correspondence folder

B. REVIEW NEW COOPERATOR AGREEMENTS & CONSERVATION PLANS:
None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. NRCS REPORT:

1. Jenna Dunn's report for Lihue Field Office May/June 2018:

General

- a. Assistant to the Director for Field Operations (ADFO): Tony Ingersoll will be the Acting ADFO until 7/25/2018. Adam Reed, currently the state agronomist and water quality specialist has been selected as the new permanent ADFO.
- b. Oahu DC- Selection has been made. Kauai DC will stay as Acting DC until new person starts on 7/9/18.

Farm Bill Programs

- c. FY18- All 10 applications that were selected for funding are now officially EQIP contracts. Total to be obligated is \$373,929.00. PIA will be requesting more funds, so we may get a few more projects funded.
- d. CSP- Conservation Stewardship Program- we have 3 applications

HACD

Have fun! Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend.

B. CONSERVATION SPECIALIST REPORTS:

1. Conservation Specialist Report 6/18/2018 & 6/19/2018– Jenni Scotti
 - **Trainings / Meetings / Learning /**
 - o Rapid Ohia Death Webinar
 - Learned a little bit more about it - Main thing to note is that the one on Kauai it is the less virulent strain
 - **Plans / field visits**
 - o Focused on learning and planning for CSP applications, 3 completed 2 submitted
 - o Planning
 - Planning and follow up with 10 clients
 - New planning 1 client and requests started
 - Completed/assisted with 3 check-outs
 - **Outreach**
 - o Ag Awareness Day
 - With John and Rebekah
 - Did lectures this year instead of a booth.
 - Used watershed model
 - o POSTER CONTEST
 - Becks donated 14 x 22" posters for students to use. MAHALO!
 - Working with Michelle (HACD) to develop the State contest protocols
 - Local contest letter and information will go out last week of July / first week of August
 - o CAP CONEST
 - Developing letters and e-mails to go out to teachers and principals
 - Will go out last week of July / first week of August
 - **Misc/News/upcoming events/future projects/goals**
 - o Working on new planning, catching-up on CTA planning
 - o June HACD meeting

- NRCS Conservation Planning Training on mainland approved for Jul 16th – Aug 3rd
- 2. Conservation Specialist Report 6/19/2018– John Nelson
 - Site visits/checkouts and client meetings
 - AgLearn assignments
 - Working client folders and producer packets.
 - Calling potential clients and setting up site visits for primary contact

OTHER BUSINESS:

- A. Advertising in Garden Isle/Midweek
 - a. Interest in a ‘Conservation Corner’ or monthly article
 - b. Article on conservation topics written by Directors could be in For Kaua‘i or Midweek newspaper
 - c. Rebekah to talk to Leo Azambuja about the environmental section in For Kaua‘i
 - d. Will be discussed further at next monthly meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS: none

NEXT MEETING DATE:

WHEN: 3:00 pm, July 17, 2018

WHERE: National Tropical Botanical Garden, Reading Room

There being no further business the meeting ended at 3:35 pm. Written by Rebekah Magers, District Assistant