

AIHA Hawaii Local Section  
Executive Committee Meeting  
March 21, 2006

| <b>Present</b> | <b>Name</b>           | <b>Position</b>               |
|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| X              | Shelley Wheeling-Park | Past President                |
| X              | Jim Peck              | President                     |
| X              | Tony Barnard          | President-Elect               |
| X              | Jennifer Shishido     | Secretary                     |
| X              | Chris Gongora         | Treasurer                     |
| X              | Banafsheh Sadeghi     | Director                      |
| X              | Jim Newberry          | Director/Communications       |
|                | Loren Kaehn           | Director                      |
|                | Tom Goob              | CIH Review Course Coordinator |
|                | Jas Singh             | Ambassador to Southeast Asia  |
|                | Jaye Gray             | HI Assn of OH Nurses          |

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by President Jim Peck at Chili's, Kahala Mall in Honolulu, Hawaii. A quorum was present to conduct business.

II. **MINUTES:**  
February 21, 2006 minutes were approved as distributed.

III. **REPORTS:**

1. Treasurer's Report, C. Gongora:
  - a. Checking balance at \$ 4,965.83
  - b. Signature cards for new officers completed.
  - c. Monthly report deferred due to power outage at Treasurer's office.
  
2. Membership, J. Shishido:
  - a. 100 members as of 3/20/06.
  - b. Received 3 applications, all approved as full members: Hank Paresa of Navy, and Harlan Hashimoto and Jane McKee of Hawaiian Telcom. Harlan Hashimoto was former member.
  - c. Tony Barnard reported on discussion at AIHA Leadership Workshop on subject of reinstating former members who lapse membership due to nonpayment of dues. Most local sections do whatever works: some keep members on list for 3 years, then drop; some don't. Motion made, seconded and approved that the policy of the Hawai'i local section will be to reinstate former members through December 31, 2006 upon payment of current dues. There will be no prorating. Policy from January 2007 is as stated in by-laws – members must pay dues by March 31 of calendar year to remain a member. Former members will be moved to “distribution list”, where they receive

notices of meetings/events but not job postings or for events with limited seating.

3. AIHA Leadership Workshop Report, T Barnard
  - a. Membership reinstatement – see discussion in Membership Report above.
  - b. Science Fair categories – categories are from National Science Academy (NSA). Made suggestion that AIHA national should lobby NSA for safety and health category.
  - c. Aaron Tripler: Did not get to talk to him about speaking engagement in Hawai'i.
  - d. Strategic Focus: Will send notes from workshop later.
  - e. Future Leadership: Should send someone.
4. HIOSH Advisory Committee (HAC), S. Wheeling-Park:
  - a. Meeting held on March 16
  - b. Lots of discussion on training. Director said although special fund sunset, there is money so want to do the one-days again. Agreed to form a sub-committee for training
  - c. FY 2005 Evaluation: Said HIOSH meeting all federal goals and measures.
  - d. Clayton Winger spoke about the Governor's PacRim S&H recognition awards.
5. Hawai'i Federal Safety & Health Council, B. Sadeghi
  - a. The Federal S&H Council reported that there was no money in their budget to be able to sponsor people to attend review courses.
  - b. B. Sadeghi send out announcement for CIH Review course to all federal organizations, with note that funding is on their own.
6. CIH Review Course, B. Sadeghi:
  - a. B. Sadeghi sent an e-mail to Synergist. No reply yet.
  - b. To put notice in Professional Safety in listing of upcoming events.
7. Hawai'i Association of Occupational Health Nurses, J. Gray  
deferred

#### IV. **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS:**

1. Aging Workforce Presentation, Feb 22:
  - a. Well attended, approx 30 persons.
  - b. Jim Newberry to post PowerPoint presentation on website.
2. March 3 Teleweb, Chemical/Bio and Nuclear/Rad Weapons:
  - a. Well attended, approx 25 persons. New telephone sound system at DLS was excellent.

- b. Though teleweb was too basic and should have emphasized more on what the IH responsibilities should be in such events.
  - c. More differential diagnoses would have been helpful – symptoms were too repetitious.
3. April 4 Teleweb, Cost Effective Ergonomics
  - a. More information became available and distributed via internet. Moved, seconded and approved to sponsor this TeleWeb at the Queens Conference Center. Members can choose to go to either of two sites: DLS or Queens. Non-members must go to Queens – don't want to burden DLS with having to collect money etc.
  - b. Sandra Wataoka has 18 already, and Chris can make room for more than 10 if necessary.
4. June 28, Avian Flu with Dr. Sarah Park:
  - a. Chris Gongora sent in the \$200 deposit to Hale Ikena on March 1.
  - b. Jennie Shishido to prepare draft flyer and send to Jim Newberry to post on website calendar.
5. NFPA70E PDC, Electrical Standards:
  - a. Cost is \$2,100 including travel, which breaks down to \$140 per person if have 15 persons, and \$180 with book.
  - b. Good course to partner with ASSE on. Jim to check with ASSE – Joanna or Neil about partnering.
  - c. Looking at later in year, e.g. September or October since calendar is booked through August.
6. Governor's PacRim, May 10 – 12:

AIHA Booth has been ordered, arrives May 5.
7. Board of Water Supply Tour to Waihee Tunnel

To be discussed later as has to be later in year due to schedule.
8. Ethics for IHs:
  - a. Discussion on Vernon Hoo's concerns (sent e-mail) regarding unethical behavior by IHs, as well as how ethical IHs can respond to pressure to "look the other way" etc.
  - b. Decision to have a session – possibly a panel or roundtable discussion, invite experts from AIHA and ASSE.
  - c. Possible partner with ASSE also.
  - d. This too would be later in year or early in 2007 (February)
  - e. Made note that in future, each President-elect should plan events through February as difficult for new person to plan and put on an event in just 1 month. Thereafter, responsibility is March 1 thru February 28.

**V. OLD BUSINESS:**

1. ASSE Meeting on April 20 with Jim Newberry, and Gaylord Yoshimura and Barbara Yee.
  - a. Send word to membership
  - b. Location is Hale Ikena, ½ day workshop, breakfast and lunch included in price.
  - c. Preview of their presentation for the ASSE PDC.
2. Governor's PacRim, May 10-12  
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3. 2006 AIHA HI Goals & Objectives, Jim Peck:
  - a. Jim to send out to members.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**VII. NEXT MEETING DATE:**

April 27, Thursday evening. Location at midpoint where committee members live, e.g. Mapunapuna (Bob's Big Boy)

Meeting Adjourned at 7:53 p.m.