Hawaii Farmers Union United - Hana Chapter General Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 6, 2018 at Boudreaux/Mahele Farm

In attendance: Mikala Minn (P), Brad Taylor (VP), Scott Crawford (S), AJ Murray (T), Matthew Van Paepeghem (D), Tom Bacon, Barbara Joy Bogorad, Robert Boudreaux, Chris Gaarder, Eric Gage, Kari Hagedorn, Terry Kristiansen, Michael Kristiansen, Duane Lammers, Andrew Rayner, Joshua Roe. [Bold are current members eligible to vote.]

4:10 Farm tour of Haloa Farm led by Robert Boudreaux, sharing information about cacao plantation.

4:40 Group moved to Mahale Farm for remainder of meeting.

Locavore potluck served

Treasurer's Report

Mikala introduced AJ Murray as the new treasurer. AJ reported that the current balance in the Chapter account is \$1,168.37. Made \$274.25 at Taro Festival.

Chapter Business

- o HFUU-Hana will host farmer's market at the Hana Cultural Center Ho'olaule'a on August 18, and donate sales to HCC. Mahele Farms provided seeds, trays and medium which were planted during the meeting for members to take and grow to be ready for the Ho'olaule'a.
- O Duane Lammers from Hana Ranch gave an update on the Hana Water Systems proposed rate increases; members asked questions and discussed; Duane indicated that they expect to PUC to approve a lesser rate increase than was requested, and that a rate comparable to the county water rate would be reasonable and acceptable to them; members didn't feel it was necessary for chapter to take a position on the proposed rate increases.
- Mikala shared a request from Hukilike No Maui to support a donation of 15% of A&B land for conservation, agriculture and affordable housing; due to Hana not being directly affected by the issue and the vagueness of the proposal, the members did not feel that Hana Chapter should take a position on the issue.

Next Meeting

Board Meeting: Thursday, July 5, 2018, 4 p.m. at Hana Tropicals Oasis General Meeting: Wednesday, August 1, 2018, 4-6 p.m. location TBD

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Minutes certified by Scott Crawford, Secretary: