## **Board of Directors Meeting**



Tuesday, January 20, 2014, 6:00 PM Restaurant Row, 500 Ala Moana Blvd, Conference Room next to Opal Fields

## **MINUTES**

- I. Call to Order
  - a. Meeting was called to order at 6:19 PM. Quorum was not established.
  - b. BOD Present: Dale Cripps, Andrew Taylor, Mark Carson, Sharon Gilbert, Tom Wheeler, and Moshe Hakemolo
  - c. ED Present: Bernard Nunies, Sophia Makaimoku-Young
- II. Minutes of Last Meeting unable to approve, no quorum.
- III. Committee Reports
  - A. Executive Director Report Bernard Nunies & Sophia Makaimoku-Young
    - a. Financials Update presented
      - i. BN follow up: 2014 total year performance of mutual fund. Outstanding payment for Sheryl Matsuoka.
    - b. Pending expenses January ED salary, Postage/Envelopes, DCCA registration
    - c. Board Meeting Locations looking for alternative place. Waterfront Plaza to charge \$35/hour going forward. Moshe volunteered to provide next meeting location.
  - B. President's Report
    - a. Membership
      - i. Framed HJA plaque- Moshe & Mark to work on it together to provide style options and cost for board approval.
      - ii. Special BOD certificate approved to move forward. Mark to provide style options and costs for board approval.
      - iii. BOD members Carrie on hiatus. Dale to speak to Mabel, Bruce, and Carrie. Tom to speak to Dana.
    - b. New members sign-ups
      - i. Cut-off date for lapsed member benefits (prior year)
        - 1. Members present agreed that last day of February would be the cut-off date, at which point we would inform the lapsed member that they no longer qualify for HJA benefits.
  - C. Complaints/Consumer Affairs Thomas Wheeler
    - a. Alan Yamada Hawaiian Jewelry Bracelet. Tom to follow-up.
  - D. Associate Member issues Andrew Taylor.
    - a. Nothing to report
  - E. Charity Fund Dale- Carrie Smith personal leave effective immediately
    - a. Seeking BOD volunteer to assume her Charity Committee responsibilities
      - i. Dale to speak to Carrie to see if a member of Na Hoku could staff in her absence
    - b. Visibility of recognition from Make-A-Wish foundation. Other options?
      - i. Jewelers for Children (parent organization) sponsored 4 children in Hawaii (\$7K from national organization). David Rocha Jewelers for Children. SMY to re-establish organizations relationship.
      - ii. ED to contact Make-a-wish Hawaii (Siana Hunt) if they would join/participate @ Annual Banquet and potential HJA recognition.
  - F. Promotional Events/ Security Seminar/ Workshops Bruce Bucky/Dale Cripps
    - a. Proposed Seminars 2014 Affordable Healthcare, Ali'i Coin, Alert Alarm. No discussion.
    - b. Future Seminars 2015 BOD volunteers based on area of expertise
      - i. March Seminar by Dale Cripps. Locations, Topic (Precious Metals)

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- 1. Dale to determine venue and date. Fee \$10 members / \$35 non-members
- ii. American Society of Asset Protection Seminar http://americansocietyap.org/faqs.php
  - 1. Free seminar for members
  - 2. BN to follow up and ask for local Hawaii presentations to vet further.
- c. Pearl Necklace giveaway Mother's Day Giveaway Mark Carson
  - i. Mark Carson to provide details to the ED's of software that he created.
    - 1. March/April promotion
    - 2. No paper entries; On-line entries only (via QR codes or manually entered URL); retailers may make entries on behalf of their customers who have visited their stores during the contest period.
    - 3. Winner / HJA's People Choice Award announced at Annual Banquet
- d. 2015 Design Competition/ Banquet May 2, 2015 / Oahu Country Club.
  - i. Tom to provide jewelry design information to EDs. category, award, judges, parameters, etc.
  - ii. Pieces submitted by April 24th deadline
  - iii. Add to communication avenues once information received
- G. Communication Report (Website, Newsletter, Social Media) Dale Cripps/Mark Carson
  - a. Share updates and changes on website
    - i. Teaser email 2x a year. 1 security alert & 1 newsletter
    - ii. Trading post- create rules. 5% fee or \$100 max? Overstock items?
      - 1. Information is confidential to membership
      - 2. Revise form to review at next meeting
    - iii. Career Opportunities website section help wanted ads?
      - 1. No decision to move forward with this section of the website.
    - iv. Forms section trading posts, social media, feature company of the week. Mark will work with ED's on these.
  - b. Newsletter
    - January newsletter feedback. Everyone liked the January newsletter. No suggestions for improvement.
  - c. Security Alerts one update to be sent out shortly.
  - d. Social Media Update
    - i. Add Designer of the Year with company info as social media cover photo
    - ii. Awaiting Instagram password info from Carrie.
  - e. Press Releases Page open discussion
    - i. No decision to move forward with this section of the website.
- IV. New Business
  - a. Potential Members for follow-up
  - b. EGL/Rapaport Group industry issue. Moshe/Sharon to provide information.
  - c. Magazine participation look at potential partnership (design contest info, invite to annual banquet)
    - i. Hana Hou Hawaiian Airlines
    - ii. Pacific Edge Magazine
  - d. Invite HPD to related seminars
- V. Meeting Adjourned 1/20/15 at 8:20 PM.

Next Meeting: Feb, 17, 2015. Location: TBA. The BOD meetings are the third Tuesday of every Month, except for December/May.