

KISC MEETING

Approved Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 27, 2006
HDOA Conference Room
10:00 am to 12:00 noon

I. Welcome/Introduce Guests/New Members

[Attendees: Tim Flynn (NTBG/KISC), Jayme Patrick (USDA-WS), Bud Soria (KRCP), Al Silva (DOFAW), Ronson Arakaki (KISC), Jonathan Tacata (KISC), Eric Garcia (HDOA), Joe Kona (KISC), David Neville (KISC), Joseph Aguon-Kona (KISC), Lehua P Lafayette (KISC), Jeff Schlueter (KISC), Bill Null (KISC), Amos Arashiro (KISC), Craig Kaneshige (KISC), Mindy Wilkinson (DLNR-DOFAW), Keren Gundersen (KISC), Jeri Ooka (UH-CTAHR), Thomas Kaiakapu (DOFAW), Ellen Coulombe (NTBG), Jackie Kozak (KISC), Sarah Newton (TNC), Kekoa Aana (DOFAW), Kristin Hall (KISC), Sherri Paul (DOFAW)]

II. Review Agenda Items

III. Review and Approve Minutes from January 19, 2006 regular meeting.

Minutes were approved unanimously by committee. Please see www.kauaiisc.org for posting.

IV. Featured Species: *KISC Prevention List – Kristin Hall*

To facilitate early detection and rapid response of invasive species on Kauai, Kristin put together a prevention list culled from species lists the other ISCs were targeting. It was suggested to turn it into a Prevention Poster to further educate the community and give to nurseries. Our Americorps intern, Lehua Prevet-Lafayette, is also working on a field guide for hikers that will incorporate some of this information.

Check out:

http://www.hear.org/kisc/presentations/20060427kiscpreventionlist_files/v3_document.htm for further details.

V. Updates:

- Coqui Control in Lawai – *Keren* Click on: http://www.hear.org/kisc/presentations/20060427kauaicoquiupdate_files/v3_document.htm to see the latest efforts at the frog site. We also passed out a flyer informing neighbors of our infestation site on what is happening. This can be viewed at http://www.hear.org/kisc/pdfs/coqui_lawaiflyer.pdf. Please feel free to print it and pass it along.
- Target overview – *Kristin*
We had an extremely wet first quarter which put us in a “catch-up” mode for most targets. Focus was shifted during this time on partnership projects.
Click on: http://www.hear.org/kisc/presentations/20060427kiscfieldupdate_files/v3_document.htm.
- Outreach activities – *Jackie* Click on: http://www.hear.org/kisc/presentations/20060427kiscoutreachupdate_files/v3_document.htm. Jackie has been busy with many projects and activities these past three months including KISC’s first-ever Newsletter. Check this out at: http://www.hear.org/kisc/pdfs/kiscnewsletter_2006spring.pdf. She has also been working with the Kauai Landscaping Industry Council on finalizing their “Codes of Conduct”.

This would enable them to utilize the Weed Risk assessment for evaluating potential ornamental sales as well as curtail the sale of existing invasive plants.

- **Super Ferry Advisory Board Mtg – Keren**
The SuperFerry Advisory Board Meeting has met once to discuss issues of concern from the community. The purpose of this board is to provide SuperFerry planners with a direct link to the community to try to mitigate concerns from the public. Topics included invasive species, drug trafficking, agricultural theft and rental cars. If there are any concerns you would like Keren to bring to the next meeting, please email them to her at kere.kisc@hawaiiantel.net.
- **Legislative / Budget Update – Mindy Wilkinson**
The legislative session is almost over and it looks like \$2 million has been dedicated for Coqui work. HDOA will be receiving Coqui funding to work on agricultural land or state land adjacent to ag land. DLNR will receive Coqui funding to be passed on to efforts underway in each county. Kauai should be receiving \$50,000. \$2 Million has also been secured for HDOA's Bio Security Plan which will mean more port inspections.

VI. New Items:

- **Pest Hotline – 643-7378 – Jackie**
This state-wide hotline is up and running. Calls are routed automatically to the county HDOA office based on where the call originates from. After-hours calls are routed to HDOA's calling center on Oahu. Please encourage the public to use this resource when reporting pests.
- **Partnership Updates:** DOFAW – *Sherri Paul* Click on:
http://www.hear.org/kisc/presentations/20060427kauaidofawupdate_files/v3_document.htm
TNC – *Sarah Newton* Click on:
http://www.hear.org/kisc/presentations/20060427kauaitncupdate_files/v3_document.htm
USDA-WS – *Jayme Patrick* Click on:
http://www.hear.org/kisc/presentations/20060427kauainenerelocation_files/v3_document.htm
- **Transfer of Chair position – Keren**
Tim's term as KISC Chair will be up at the end of June. Discussion about changing a Chair's term to a 2-year commitment was discussed. The benefit for extending the term would be more continuity for the KISC Project Manager as well as a lengthier collaboration time with the Chair Emeritus (Allan Rietow) and Chair Elect (Jayme Patrick). The committee unanimously extended Tim's term another year (with his approval), and changed the KISC Chair term to two years (with Jayme's approval).

VII. Announcements:

- April 22 – Garden Fair (KCC)
- May 12 – Kauai Conservation Conference (Aloha Beach Resort)
- May 29 – Banana Poka
- July 26-28 – Hawaii Conservation Conference

VIII. Next Meeting – Thursday, July 20, 2006

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