



**HAWAII CHAPTER  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AND  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2014**

**Meeting Place:** Our meeting was held Wednesday, May 14, 2014, at the Embassy Suites Waikiki Resort.

**Attendance:** Seventy-nine attendees were listed on our RSVP list (see attachment).

**Meeting Called to Order:** The Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by President Rose Galera at 9:15 a.m. and the General Meeting at 10:30 a.m.

**Collect/Pledge:** Angela Padigos did the Collect and Pledge of Allegiance.

**Sponsor:** A big MAHALO to the General Manager Bob Yeoman and Executive Housekeeper Carol Lopes for sponsoring today's chapter meeting and the delicious breakfast!

There were a lot of guests and new members attending this meeting. David Crouch, President of the Maui Chapter was here and also one of our past president, Roy Honda. Special guests, to name some, were Andrew Giles of Straub Hospital; Charlene Gray and Stacey Pope of Hawaii Hospitality Magazine; Vicky Cayetano and William Santos-Joaquin of United Laundry; and Gene Carin and Howard Fisher of Hilton Waikiki Beach Hotel. Jin Lee of Hilton Waikiki Beach Hotel was also in attendance and Rose mentioned that whenever we e-mailed him, it always returns back. She would like Jin Lee to update his e-mail address. Pauline Galera introduced to us her guests Shelsea Pinera of Fasternal Company and Shayna Sanai of Koko Resorts. Two new members were also in attendance and they were Alicia Cinense of Aston Waikiki Sunset and Kevin Shim of Ramada Plaza Waikiki. All guests and new members were presented leis from Hospitality Chair Juana Barit.

**Secretary's Report:** Secretary Veronica Mayer thanked Jo-Ann Yonamine and Gary Nushida for taking the minutes from the last meeting because she was absent due to illness. Thank you Jo-Ann and Gary, for your helpfulness! Your helpfulness was very much appreciated!

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Diane Lum was absent at our meeting but Rose discussed the March and April financial reports for her (see attachments). The financials will be posted and subject for audit.



**Correspondence:** Rose presented a recommended IEHA Bylaw Proposal Amendment in reference to Article VIII-A.1.f . It was submitted to the IEHA Bylaw Committee for consideration and is currently pending an outcome. For more information, please go to our website [ieha-hawaii.org](http://ieha-hawaii.org) and click on News Blog.

**Membership Update:** We currently have an estimate of 120+ members.

**Information/Resource:** Karina Villaroel mentioned that there was a guest who requested a crib to use at a hotel. That hotel gave them a drop side crib which is illegal to use. Does your hotel still have them?

Karina also told us about an incident that happened in another hotel where a child about 9 years old dialed 911 because she heard her mother needing help in an adjoining room. Unfortunately, her mother died. The point was that the child had to dial 9 first to get an outside phone line and then 911. This is not a law yet but does your hotel phone system have to dial 9 first and then 911?

Another awareness that Karina mentioned was that OSHA was inspecting hotels. Some Aston and Outrigger hotels were already visited by OSHA and passed inspection. Don't let your hotel be cited for any safety violations. Train your employees!

**Bosses Night Event:** Derrick Demello updated us on Bosses Night Masquerade Event being held on October 24, 2014 at the Hawaii Prince Hotel. The menu is still pending and invitations are being created and will be given out at our July IEHA meeting. We will also have our Silent Auction, so donations are very much appreciated!

**Ways & Means:** No Ways & Means was reported.

**Hospitality:** No Hospitality was reported.

**Community Services:** Gary Nushida updated us that the 100<sup>th</sup> Battalion Club House clean-up will probably be after August and renovation is currently being done at Washington Place. Also, the donation drive for the homeless will probably be in September.

**Public Relations / Website:** Elaine Simon mentioned that we should go to our Chapter website and check out YouTube, Facebook, etc. Let us know if you "like" us too!



**HLH&FS 2014 Expo:** Expo and Uniform Fashion Show Chair John Yamamoto reported that the Hawaii Lodging, Hospitality & Foodservice 2014 Expo is being held July 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at the Neal Blaisdell Center. Our Hawaii IEHA booth is #810 and we are looking for volunteers to help man the booth for at least 2 hours.

John also mentioned that on September 10, 2014, we will be having a Uniform Fashion Show along with a Vendor Fair. We are currently looking for uniforms from the past to the present and also volunteers to model the uniforms for the fashion show. Are there any volunteers? Vendors will also be able to show their products at their booths.

**Unfinished Business:** See **Correspondence** regarding Unfinished Business.

**New Business:** No New Business was reported.

**Adjournment:** Rose adjourned the Board of Directors Meeting at 9:30 a.m. and the General Meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Our next IEHA Chapter meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 16, 2014 at Hilton Waikiki Beach. Our guest speaker will be State of Hawaii Energy Analyst Gail Suzuki-Jones. The presentation will be Hawaii Green Business Program. See all of you there!

Respectfully submitted by:

Veronica Mayer

Secretary