

District 50 Leo Meeting
Zoom
January 23, 2022
Minutes

Meeting Called to Order

- Meeting called to order by President Elana at 1:01 PM
- Present:
 - **District 50 Advisors & Officers:** Winston Watarai, Jade Custer, Elana Ingwers, Lenard Topenio, Kalyn Tom, Angela Grace Piso
 - **Lions Advisors:** Kathy Higa (Moanalua), Sean Benito (Hilo Crescent City), Shari Ann Ogi (Konawaena), Steven Yoshimura (Roosevelt), Carmie J Namcot (Kapolei), Jason Locke (James Campbell)
 - **Faculty Advisors:**
 - **Leo Club President:** Elana Ingwers (Kaiser), Mark Galeon (Waiakea), Kalyn Tom (Moanalua), Chastytie Lopes (Hilo Crescent City)
 - **Leo Club Officers:** Mina Taniyama (Konawaena-VP), Jade Custer (Moanalua-VP), Rhane Kalaola (Pearl City-Historian),
 - **Leo Club Members:**
 - **Lions:**
 - **Other:** Aren Pai (L4L)

Leo Pledge

- Leo pledge presented by Vice President Kalyn Tom
 - "I pledge of my hands, extended and open to help those in need. I pledge of my heart, reach for it, and it will be touched. I pledge of my ears to hear another's outcry, my eyes, to see the plight of others. My knowledge, to bring a person closer to their dreams. I pledge of myself, for the betterment of my Community, my State, and my Country."

Secretary's Report

1. Presented by Jade Custer
- Minutes of the last meeting were circulated electronically on November 2nd to everyone on the email list.
 - Minutes of the last meeting have been accepted.
 - Please be sure to put your name, club, and position into the chat at every District Meeting.

Treasurer's Report

2. Presented by Lenard Topenio

- Balance: \$16,230.18
- Who paid their dues: (19 clubs in good standing)
 - Kapolei
 - Lanai
 - Molokai
 - Roosevelt
 - Hilo
 - Kaiser
 - Waipahu
 - Hilo Crescent City
 - Pearl City
 - Laupahoehoe
 - Mililani
 - Moanalua
 - Konawaena
 - Waiakea
 - James Campbell
 - Saint Louis
 - Kalani
 - Sacred Hearts
 - La Pietralf
- Please email Treasurer Lenard at llenardtopenio@gmail.com for the Invoice Form or if you have any questions

Vice-President's Report- KALYN

- Reports must be received by the end of the month for project reports occurring between the 1st and the 20th of said month. Projects held on or after the 20th will carry over to the following month's deadline. Reports will be submitted to the LEO Council Vice President and the LEO District Chairperson.
- Please turn in project reports in a timely manner to make them easier to record.
- If you need the Project Form or if you have questions contact Vice President Kalyn at tomkal.mohs@gmail.com
- **Project Reports:**
 - Moanalua High School: 28
 - Waiakea: 2
 - Konawaena: 13
 - Roosevelt: 18
 - Mililani: 10
 - Pearl City: 2

- Molokai: 1
- Hilo: 1
- Lanai: 1
- If you are reporting your project reports through MyLCI, please message or email me at tomkal.mohs@gmail.com.

President's Report

3. Presented by Elana Ingwers

- Club projects
 - Roosevelt
 - Lots of their projects have been cancelled
 - Currently doing fundraising and should be happening into April
 - Konawaena
 - Soil and Water Conservation Project
 - Maintenance and transformed a slope to not have weeds but native plants instead
 - Helps the custodians and teaches the students about conservation
 - Kaiser
 - Annual Eyeglass Cleaning with the Hawaii Kai Lions Club
 - Happened at a park
 - Installation Night for Officers and New Members
 - Pearl City
 - Created crafts with the elderly in a nursing home
 - Good experience to talk with them and have fun with them.
 - Waiakea
 - Sign waving at a dealership
 - Lets Leos show their artistic side and have some interaction with each other
 - Moanalua
 - Sony Open
 - Volunteer on the courses
 - Open and close the green
 - Baby Fair
 - Supporting small businesses
 - Dressing up
 - Hilo Crescent Leos
 - Please check out what projects they have been doing!
 - <https://www.instagram.com/hilo.crescent.city.leos/>

District Leo Chair Report

4. Presented by Winston Watarai

- USA Canada Leo Forum

- Leadership forum
 - Will be held in Visalia, California
 - July 27-31
 - Can hang out with Leos and Lions from other places
 - If there are any questions or if you want to learn more please contact Mr.Watarai at watagai98@gmail.com
 - Website to check out more: <https://leosforum.org/>

New Business

- District Colors
 - Can't change colors in myLCI
 - Stick to the colors we have now
- District 50 Calendar
 - Allows clubs to plan ahead
 - Possible Ideas
 - Link tree
 - Canva

Old Business

- December Social
 - Icebreakers
 - Bowling
 - Leos had lots of fun!
 - Total cost \$508
 - Attendance was free
- Honolulu City Lights
 - Lion King Characters
 - Eyeglass Donation Section
 - Next year we are probably going to have a plot again
 - Hope to have 3 different trees
 - Possibly 2 spaces

Committee Reports

- If there are any questions regarding any of the committee reports please contact the chair.
 - *Telecommunications + Social Media:*
 - Chaired by the District 50 Officers
 - New Instagram Account
 - <https://www.instagram.com/hawaiileos/>
 - Process of getting website up and getting the email back
 - *Constitution and Bylaws:*
 - Chaired by the District 50 Officers
 - Small changes can be made for a year

- Any permanent changes to the constitution and bylaw have to be voted on by the district
 - Are there any changes that would like to be proposed at this time?
 - [Constitution and Bylaws PDF](#)
 - If there are any questions or proposal please send them to Jade Custer at jadecuster2@gmail.com
- *Contest and Awards:*
 - Co-chaired by Waiakea High School Leo Club and Hilo High School Leo Club
 - No report
 - Mr.Watarai proposed having divisions
 - Best Club Recognition based on total points accumulated through the year
 - Divisions makes it fairer and allows for more clubs to be recognized
 - Brought on because some clubs require adult supervision and some require faculty advisor
 - If this is going to be done this year an email or announcement needs to go out district-wide.
- *District Service Project:*
 - Chaired by Mililani High School Leo Club
 - Project description:
 - Clubs will clean up trash around a specific area and dispose of the garbage responsibly.
 - Litter and trash negatively impact our communities, as it doesn't just affect humans, it affects our ecosystems, and it affects every one of us, big or small. To tackle a problem of this size, we need to educate others on where this trash goes and promote safe essential practices to limit waste in the environment.
 - **Resources about why we should pick up trash:**
 - [10 Reasons to Pick Up 10 Pieces of Trash — Plastic Pollution Coalition](#)
 - [How Our Trash Impacts the Environment - Earth Day](#)

- [How does litter harm the environment? | Unisan UK.](#)

- **Our Goal:**

- “Lions and Leos serve to strengthen the relationship between the community and its environment. We’ve seen how our stewardship of natural resources can improve quality of life and increase engagement in our local communities.” - Lions CLub international

- **Total cleaning time recommended: 1 hour-1 1/2 hours**

- Try to split up in shifts due to covid gathering restrictions
 - Have a school wide project or invite other organizations to participate in the project

- **TIME FRAME:**

- March 1, 2022 - March 31, 2022
- To make it easier for clubs across the state the project will not have a set date that it has to be done on so instead clubs will choose a day that works with them and plan When, where, and how they will complete the project.

- **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Clubs will choose a day within the time frame and plan the cleanup project that better fits their needs. So it will be up to the clubs to decide where/what they want to clean up whether that be a beach clean-up, street, neighborhood, etc.
- There are two options for this project:
 - **OPTION 1:** The club will plan an in-person project for there members to attend together
 - Ex. The club will pick a date within the time frame and they plan to do a clean-up.
 - To plan the club will need to make sure they have permission forms

- Times for when they want to clean up
 - Have shifts if they want to
 - Make Sure they take a photo to verify they actually completed the project
 - OPTION 2: The club will plan an asynchronous project meaning you announce a project but leos do it within a certain time frame that you provide
 - Ex. The club announces the trash pick up the project for around their neighborhood
 - You will give the leos about a week to complete the project on their own time
 - Timing is up to you
 - Leos will send in a photo verification so you know they actually participated in the project
 - You will also need to add a disclaimer to your project permissions forms as there is no advisor or supervisor watching the leos since it will be on their own time
 - **Ways to verify your participation and completion of the project:**
 - The trash verification/submission will send out on a google form
 - Instructions to verify completion:
 - Take a group/selfie picture with filled up trash bags
 - Provide signature by parent/guardian on the permission form for the event
 - Clubs will be in charge of making their permission forms
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PLEASE LOOK OUT FOR FURTHER UPDATES:

- There will be a district project flyer going out in mid-February so please be on the lookout for that.
- There will also be more detailed instructions on how to complete the project as well.
- *Convention Report:*
 - Co-chaired by Moanalua High School Leo Club and Konawaena High School Leo Club
 - Arrival time will be 3pm at KMC
 - Registration fees:
 - Leos: \$200
 - Lions: \$250
 - If Lion doesn't mind being in the dormitory then their cost would be the same as Leos
 - Sub-Committees that still need chairing
 - Sign-up deadlines: January 31st, 2022
 - Program
 - Social Media
 - Tours
 - Icebreakers
 - Please email both of the committee chairs if you wish to chair a sub-committee:
 - tom.kal.mohs@gmail.com
 - laceyyoung567@gmail.com
- *Fundraising:*
 - Chaired by Konawaena High School Leo Club
 - Carwash
 - 2 month window (February to March)
 - Clubs individually plan their own carwash
 - 2 different tickets
 - Sell one ticket to the lion's club and this money can be used for conference
 - Sell other ticket to the public and these funds can be used to give back to the community
 - Money could be donated to an organization (ex. Food Bank)
 - Flyer will be distributed soon

- Some issues for clubs in Honolulu area since there is a City and County restriction on how much businesses can use water
- If there are any questions please contact the committee's president or vice president.
 - President: laceyyoung567@gmail.com
 - Vice President: taniyamamina@gmail.com
- *Nomination and Elections*
 - Chaired by Moanalua High School Leo Club
 - Nominees cant be over 18
 - Leo has to be in good standing and the club has to be in good standing
 - Nominations of any qualified Leo for president can be made if no such written nomination was made.
 - Each club gets one vote for every 10 members and each club can only vote at the conference for every member present up to the club allowance
 - Nominations have to be on time.
 - District President cannot hold any club officer positions.
 - Lions club and Leo Club needs to endorse the candidate
 - Nominations should be written and sent to the District Secretary by April 28 (one month before the convention)
 - [Nominations Form](#)
 - Please send the nominations to Jade Custer at jadecuster2@gmail.com

Next Meeting

- TBD

Meeting adjourned at 2:06 pm