

Rotary Minutes, August 11, 2020

ROTARY CLUB OF HONOLULU
ZOOM MEETING
DATE: AUGUST 11, 2020
PRESIDING: **PRESIDENT RICH PROCTOR**

President Rich called the Zoom meeting to order. The meeting was technically coordinated by **Brian Dunkel**. Inspiration by **Linda Coble** who spoke of an act of kindness. While meaning to phone a Rotary friend, **Linda** accidentally called a former Rotarian who moved to the mainland, and re-connected with him on a personal level. It was a mistaken and unexpected call that resulted in a renewal of friendship. It was a reminder of the importance of staying connected, especially in trying times such as these. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Sam Haas**. The singing of America the Beautiful was led by **Kent Reinker**. **President Rich** introduced and welcomed several RCOH visitors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Birthdays, Week of 8/11 – 8/17

Takamasa Yamamura	8/16
John Keene	8/17

Club Anniversaries, Week of 8/11 – 8/17

Erin Auerbach	1 Year (sponsor: Sid Snyder)
Lee Labrash	1 Year (sponsor: Robyn McCreary)
Lyla Berg	20 Years (sponsor: Linda Coble)
Kiersten Faulkner	10 Years (sponsor: Tim Johns)

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Rich announced the Celebration of Rotary campaign has reached over 76% of the goal so far. We need to continue to push for 100%.

Ernesto Arizala, President of the Rotaract Club of Honolulu, updated the attendees on their work. The Rotaract Club currently has 8 members (primarily HPU students) with a goal of 20 members by the end of the year. Their focus is local community service, international service and team building. They plan to join the upcoming volunteer activities associated with the Centennial Park.

President Rich announced the Breakout Rooms. The attendees were split into groups of 4-5 members and shared which place they would love to go back to if they could travel at this moment.

Vocational Minute was presented by **Peg Jackson**. Her field of work is Risk Management. Her company advises on Risk Management issues, crafts a business road map, and a business continuity plan for managing risk.

Alice Tucker introduced the guest speaker, Dave Kennedy, CRO of Oahu Publications, Inc. Besides working on the Honolulu Star Advertiser, Dave also helped launch the Hawaii Luxury Magazine and Oahu Media Group. He is also the President of Manoa Valley Theatre. Dave spoke of the company's challenges through the COVID-related problems. There has been a significant decrease in advertisers as well as a decrease in hotel in-room publications. Thus, the newspaper was forced to furlough a number of employees. He urged us to shop local and support local during these trying times. The newspaper needs to continue to have strong local advertising and a strong subscription base.

President Rich reminded participants that the Peacemaker Committee will meet after the regular meeting today.

President Rich wrapped up the meeting by announcing the next week's Zoom meeting with infectious disease specialist and club member **Dr. Eileen Hilton**, who will be our guest speaker.

Brian Dunkel showed the video of Hawaii Aloha.

At 1 pm, **President Rich** gonged the bell and adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Sakurai, Scribe