

HPPOA Playground Committee Draft Minutes – of November 19, 2015

APPROVED DECEMBER 2, 2015

Members present: David Prager, Jim Bowers, Judi Houle, Leilani Bronson-Crelly, Randi Larzalere, and June Conant.

Members excused Judy Sumter and Moani Pai-Paige. Meeting location: HPP Library

Meeting convened at 5:07 p.m. and called to order by Leilani Bronson-Crelly. A quorum was established. No minutes were available as there was no quorum at the previous meeting on November 5.

Leilani Bronson-Crelly moved to appoint Judi Houle as chair of the committee. David Prager seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Randi Larzalere moved to appoint Leilani Bronson-Crelly secretary of the committee. Judi Houle seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Leilani suggested that in order to be ready to present our findings at the next General Membership meeting in February that the committee consider meeting once per month in person and then a second time through virtual email, for a total of two meetings per month.

At the General Membership meeting, the committee hopes to have a PowerPoint presentation to report on the most viable playground equipment and location that should be considered to install.

David reminded the committee that we need to investigate the additional insurance that might be needed for the new playground.

Judi said she knew someone in the Park who makes swings that we might consider his services in our deliberation.

Randi suggested that the playground area be fenced off and that the overall ground be kept in natural grass.

Judi shared that she had spoken to a County of Hawaii Parks & Recreation personnel who observed that adults and not kids were vandalizing and “tagging” much of the abuse done to the equipment.

Judi and Leilani both would like to see small covered bench areas, and agreed that much of the build-out and installation might be done with volunteers.

Judi suggested that we consider applying for grant monies to expand on the current budget we already have ear-marked for the project. Leilani responded that there might not be enough time to write, apply and be awarded funding by February 2016.

June Conant asked to be added to the email list as a “friend” of the committee.

Members were assigned to contact seven subdivisions in lower Puna to obtain information regarding their playground equipment: their inventory, cost, installation, ground cover, and sources. Members are to provide a written report at the next meeting on December 2, 2015.

Leilani Estates	Judy Sumter
Cooper Center in Volcano	June Conant
Ainaloa	Judi Houle
Nanawale	Leilani Bronson-Crelly
Hawaiian Beaches	Jim Bowers
Hawaiian Shores Rec	David Prager
Hawaiian Acres and Sea View Estates	Randi Larzalere

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Leilani Bronson-Crelly, Secretary