Hawaii Ophthalmological Society Meeting

Thursday June 19, 2014 6:30 pm

Kahala Hotel

Agenda

1. Call meeting to order 6:30 pm - Bill Wong

2. Introduction of guests - Charles Djou, former U.S. Congressman, candidate for Congress.

3. Approve minutes from May Meeting

1. Announcements - HOS Annual Meeting 9/6/2014, 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm— Waikiki Prince Hotel, Organizer: Ming Chen
2. Old business

Treasurer Report - Brandon Lee

Legislative Report Joe Zobian - resigning, request new member

Secretary Report Gene Ng

Councilor Report George Nardin

Ophthalmic technician training program - partnering with MASH to develop an eye tech training program - Applying for AAO Innovation in State Society Grant - Need seed money to support the first class through completion. Thereafter, students will be eligible for public financial aid. Asking for donations of equipment, and practices willing to take in students for clinical training.

New HOS Website is ready for release - will have separate membership and public access. Will function as a center of communication and information dissemination among members. Many more functions will be available, event calendar, archives, blog, forum, and offer links to Ophthalmology specific resources.

[www.hawaiiophthalmology.org](http://www.hawaiiophthalmology.org)

Nebraska has successfully thwarted OD surgical scope expansion bill. The OD bill was stripped of language allowing OD’s to perform injections and eyelid surgery.

Louisiana has fallen. OD surgical scope bill passed, OD’s now may perform injections and eyelid surgery. Tennessee has also lost to OD bills. California is again facing OD scope expansion bill. Please make your EyePAC and Surgical Scope donations ASAP!

AAO/EyeCare America request for help. Vision Screening event at the National Medical Association Conference, August 2-5, Convention Center - seeking volunteers to assist. Docs, techs, residents, students. Good PR opportunity. Rhoads Stevens and Connie Cox have expressed interest in participating.

Ohana Health Care and Premier Eye Care administration update - Gene Ng

1. New business

IRS scam targets physician practices. All 49 states except Hawaii have been hit. Identity thieves are successfully filing false Tax returns to the IRS under Medical Practice names. Look out for any suspicious activity in your practice financials. Report to HMA, Chris Flanders immediately.

Proposal for HOS members to create an open appointment policy for VA backlog - how can we help the VA process the VA backlog in eye specialty consultations?

Speaker - Charles Djou, Former U.S. Congressman, Congressional candidate for 2014.

Speaker/Sponsor - Phillip Hoopes MD

Refractive and Intraocular Lens Surgery

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1. Next meeting rescheduled back to July 17 , 2014 - Bausch and Lomb