

Draft Kauai District 6 Meeting Minutes
Panel 75
April 19, 2025
Lihu'e Lutheran Church

1. Call to order: Bob F, DCM, called the meeting to order at 9:30am with the Serenity Prayer and the Declaration of Unity.

- a. Attendance: Bob F, DCM; Kathryn B, Intergroup Chair, Heather K, GSR; Jay Y, Alt GSR; William G, Corrections Chair; Shoshanah B, member; Jorina, GSR; Benita, GSR; Doug H, GSR; Jim D, member; Mathea, Archives Chair; Scott S, Secretary

Hybrid: Blondie, GSR; Devin, GSR; Jenn, Alt GSR

Total Attendance: 15 (12 in-person, 3 virtually)

Voting Members present: 11 (8 votes needed for majority), 9 present, 2 virtual

- b. Reading of Tradition 4 by: Heather. Comments: Jay, Bob
- c. Reading of the Concept IV by: Jim. Comments: Jim, Mathea, Bob, Jay

2. New Business:

- a. DCM addresses S&G's
- i. Shoshanah and Jim have been working diligently on drafting new S&G's, putting in many many hours toward the efforts of updating. Shoshana states that Mathea has provided much feedback also. Copies of draft S&G were provided by Shoahanah
 - ii. S&G p.6, number 1: District Treasurer: Bob states he has all past financial records in his garage. That storeroom is full of literature and misc. Items. Assumes current treasure will be storing records for this panel. Propose's we answer this question in two years.
 1. Mathea: suggests we house records for a panel only.
 2. Shoshanah: suggests we house records for two panels. That minutes may best be housed online in email.
 - iii. S&G p.8, number 7: Budget creation. Bob suggests this is reasonable.
 1. **Motion:** Jorina makes motion to accept this line item. **Seconded:** Benita
 - a. Discussion: none
 - b. **Vote: 10 for, 1 abstain. Motion passes**
 - iv. S&G p.9, number 9: Mailing addresses: Bob believes this ought to be maintained due to issues with how Area receives checks without relevant information, not necessarily from us, but is a general issue.
 1. Discussion as to verbiage of the line item to clarify what exactly it

- is that is required by the line item.
- a. Jorina mentions area 17 has changed mailing address 3 times, but is accessible online now.
 - b. Discussion regarding what is required on checks being sent. Jim mentions GIS has the information already being asked of this line item. Mathea shares issues with area receiving checks without proper information. Suggests we add group number to checks. Others mention group numbers have changed also.
 - c. Tabled discussion on this.
 - v. S&G p. 5, Secretary, number
 - 1. Jenn mentions we keep minutes on website, which includes sensitive information, and believes is breaking Tradition 11 by publishing online in the public domain. Asks if possible to have password protected
 - a. Devin: agrees possible violation of Traditional 11. IG IT could figure out how to store minutes in password protected capacity.
 - b. Bob says lets go on to the next item
 - vi. S&G p. 5, number 6, Alt DCM
 - 1. Shoshanah brings to awareness of other new items to discuss, this being one.
 - 2. Bob reads number 6, asks if this is the alt dcm responsibility. Shoshanah replies yes. Bob moves on.
 - vii. Shoshanah brings up creating agenda was DCM responsibility. Bob says we don't want that. That he believes DCM and secretary will work together to create agenda.
 - 1. **Motion:** By Jorina to accept number three under District Recording Secretary. **Seconded:** Benita.
 - a. **Vote:** 9 for, 1 abstain. **Motion Passes**
 - viii. Jenn brings up minutes being published on website again, cannot bring motion as non-voting member. Bob makes the motion but Bob cannot make the motion either.
 - 1. Devin makes **motion**, no second.
 - ix. S&G p. 7. Priority of spending.
 - 1. Number 5 was added (website expenses as shared with IG)
 - a. Shoshanah: Question/discussion, should priority #5 be #1?
 - b. Bob agrees. Jorina adds history and contexts about how the expenses came to be and the issues surrounding the website expenses. That district is not making expenses a priority, that district owes IG a good amount of money. Says Carolyn has not received a check in over a year. Bob says as previous treasurer, he never got an invoice from Carolyn, that she has supplied 2 or 3 invoices.

- c. Bob mentions that the last few invoices that have been given to the current treasurer have not been paid and that our treasurer has been negligent in that. That the issue seems to be getting paid.
- d. Jim chimes in that as a chair, it is assumed we have a committee under that chair so that the chair is not just making all the decisions as if they are in charge and in control.
- e. Discussion about intergroup expenses and committee, mostly off topic
- f. Jay brings up that if IG requests money, they need to come to us to request the money. Jorina says the issue was that district wasn't paying because not recognized as a committee. Bob says they are a committee.
- g. **Motion: Jorina motions to accept article IX number 5.**
Bob clarifies if she means listed as number 5, the way it is. Jorina: yes. **Second: Jay. Vote: 10 for, 1 against.** Devin: IG is a service to area and district, as such they have taken on responsibilities, including financing it. IG can choose to ask for help if they need it, to assume IG needs the help is a bit co-dependant. Two voted to change their vote. **Passes**
 - i. **Voted** not to continue discussion and moving on.

3. **Secretary's Report:** Scott S, Treasure, Present.

- a. **Motion** to accept minutes: Mathea **Second:** Jay
- b. Shoshana: Discusses corrections needing to be made, hard to follow minutes with all the attachments.
 - i. Scott: Discusses transcript vs minutes, asks what group how much detail we'd prefer. Will incorporate reports into minutes rather than attachments. Will work with Shoshanah to correct March. Bob: reiterates importance of submitting reports.
- c. **Vote:** Passes unanimously

4. **Treasurer's Report:** Kathyryn, F, not present, no report.

5. **Alt DCM Report:** Jeanne L, Alt DCM, not present, email report read by Scott.

Written report:

Below is my report for alternate DCM for April 19, 2025

TO DISTRICT

My efforts, though slow, continue in my attempts to register all new GSR's to area 17 registrar and our GSO.

I apologize that my progress is slow, however my intention is to finish soon. I

have been extremely busy. Today is my granddaughter's first birthday party so I am not able to be there in person. I will try to zoom you all if possible. I have read the reports that are available as of this morning's meeting.

Aloha to you all and mahalo for your service. I look forward to reading this month's minutes.

Gratefully in service

Jeanne L

ALT DCM panel 75

6. Intergroup Report: Kathryn B, Chair. Present, presented verbal report.

- a. Went to assembly. Separate yet autonomous from district than IG was a take away from assembly. Unity and participation is a goal.

7. DCM Report: Bob F, DCM. Written report submitted and read.

- a. Committee meeting October 4th. Location: Lihue, Missionary Church. Need chair people for transportation, food, registration... we need volunteers.
 - i. Sunday October 5th, we have volunteered to do standing committee workshop. Location: Chiefess Kamakahelei Middle School. Need more time to discuss this
- b. Deborah is coming to do a report back to district 6, June 28. Need location, looking for one closer to the north shore.
- c. Next district meeting will be May 24th, 2025 (one week later than usual)

Written DCM Report:

DCM REPORT DISTRICT MEETING 4/19/2025

ITS BEEN A BUSY MONTH, VISITING THE GROUPS I NORMALLY DON'T ATTEND, LISTENING AND INTRODUCING MYSELF AND MY ROLE IN THE DISTRICT. ENJOYED THE FAMILY DAY EVENT AT LYDGATE PARK.

I HAVE BEEN PLANNING FOR OUR AREA COMMITMENTS THAT WE HAVE IN OCTOBER.

THE FIRST IS THE AREA COMMITTEE MEETING ON THE 4 TH FOR APPROXIMATELY 40 AREA

OFFICERS, PAST DELEGATES, STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND DCMS. I'VE PUT OUR

APPLICATION IN AT THE LIHUE MISSIONARY CHURCH HALL. I HAVE NOT RECEIVED A

CONFIRMATION YET, BUT I AM CONFIDENT IT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR US. LOCATIONS TO HAVE

THAT SIZE EVENT ARE LIMITED HERE ON KAUAI AND LOCATIONS ARE RESERVED WELL IN

ADVANCE. WE HAVE REQUESTED THE SPACE FROM 7AM – 5PM ON SATURDAY.

WE WILL NEED TO COORDINATE A REGISTRER, TRANSPORTATION

CHAIR, HOMESTAY CHAIR,
BEVERAGE AND FOOD CHAIR.
THE SECOND EVENT WOULD BE THE SAME WEEKEND ON SUNDAY
OCTOBER 5, IS OPTIONAL.
IT IS A STANDING COMMITTEE WORKSHOP FOR ALL OR A FEW OF
SERVICE COMMITTEES. THIS
EVENT, SIMILAR IN SIZE TO AN ASSEMBLY, IS FOR ABOUT 100 PEOPLE. I
HAVE TENTATIVELY
RESERVED THE CHIEFESS KAMAKAHELE CATERIA FOR THAT EVENT.
THE TIME I REQUESTED
ARE THE SAME THOUGH WITH LESSER REQUIREMENTS.
THE NEXT EVENT IS COMING ON JUNE 28 TH , WHICH IS THE DELEGATE'S
REPORT BACK FROM HER
EXPERIENCE AT THE GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE. I HAVE
RECENTLY CONFIRMED THE DATE
WITH DEBORAH BUT I HAVE NO LOCATION COMMITMENT TO DATE. I
WOULD LIKE TO PLAN A
LOCATION IN THE WAILUA/KAPAA AREA. I MENTIONED TO DEBORAH
THAT WE CAN PLAN TO
START AT 10 WITH SET-UP AND FELLOWSHIP, DELEGATE PRESENTATION
AND
ANNOUNCEMENTS UNTIL NOON, LIGHT LUNCH AND FINISHED BY 2:00.
PLENTY OF TIME TO GET
HER BACK TO THE AIRPORT.
OUR NEXT DISTRICT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 17, TO WHICH I
HAVE A SCHEDULE
CONFLICT. I HAVE A FAMILY CEREMONY COMMITMENT ON MAUI AND THE
COMMITTEE
MEETING IN HILO IS ALSO THE SAME DAY. I WOULD LIKE TO
RECOMMEND AND DISCUSS TO
POSSIBILITY OF CHANGING OUR DISTRICT MEETING TO THE FOLLOWING
SATURDAY, MAY 24 TH .
THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO BE OF SERVICE.
BOB F
DCM DISTRICT 6

8. GSR Reports:

- a. Anahola Jaywalkers: Jorina:
Written report:
I am reporting for Anahola Jaywalkers and Kauai Roundup
Anahola Jaywalkers meets every Wednesday at 7pm at the
Anahola Clubhouse. We have 4 solid members that attend each week. We
need more support.
- b. Happy Hour: Jim. Reports meetings have been a magical experience.
- c. Hui `Ohana: Doug. 8 in-person meetings plus 7 online meetings. Avg. 20 people.
Group has set up Venmo for 7th tradition. New treasurer and Alt-GSR. June 21

summer solstice event in talks.

d. Kapa'a Nooners: Jay. Filling in for Heather. MWF meetings, doing really well.

e. Koloa Aloha: Devin.

Written report:

Reporting in as GSR for Koloa Aloha, which meets online Fridays at 8AM on Zoom and Sundays at 8:15AM at Western Pavilion of Poipu Beach. We are well attended on both platforms, averaging between 15-25 attendees. We were tasked with taking two CPC agenda items and presented our voice in Area 17, and we delivered that through Panel 4 at the Inform the Delegate Assembly on April 5@ 1:30PM in Kihei. 14 panels presented agenda topics over the assembly's 2 days and the experience was not to be missed. KA's next business meeting will be April 27 after the meeting where more will be revealed.

f. Koloa Nooners:

g. Na Wahine Ku Pono: Mathea reporting for group. Reported meeting times.

h. Princeville-Hanalei: Not Present (received written report after meeting)

Written report:

GSR Report Princeville/Hanalei Group

We are absolutely crushing it!!!! Meetings are amazing. New members joining regularly. Tons of anniversaries in April for our members with at least half of them first year celebrations. Meetings in hanalei have been a little sleepy. But hey, it's a sleepy town. Our business meeting have no news to report other than that we are announcing the round up and carrying the message.

Love and light,

Micaiah

i. Round-up: Jorina.

Written Report

Kauai Roundup meets every 2nd Saturday of each month at Lydgate Hui Ohana tables at 8:15am. We have a solid 4 members, we need more support. We need more people to register for the roundup, we currently have 25 individuals registered. We are

fundraising by selling t-shirts \$25 for small, medium, large, x-large and \$32 for 2XL. We have blue, green, and black t-shirts.

j. Sunrise Sobriety: Benita. Business meeting on 12th, 17 members present. 25 avg meeting attendance. Gave report back from Assembly. Increased Grapevine subscription from 18 to 25. New secretary. Issues with disruptive group member, discussing with group for individual to return to meeting.

Written report

Poipu beach sunrise sobriety

District report

4/19/2025

Sunrise sobriety met on 4/12/25 for the monthly business meeting. 17 members were present including 3 on zoom.

We have had good attendance with over 25 in person daily and over 8 on zoom.

Benita gave the report back as suggested from the assembly and suggested members look at area 17 for areas they want specifics on what the vote was. We are increasing our Grapevine subscription from 15 to 25 for our Saturday meeting who will now have Sherry replacing Garrett as secretary

There was further discussion regarding a disruptive group member who had been escorted out of the meeting in the prior month and what might be required for her to attend the meetings again. No decision was made.

- k. Waimea Canyon Group: Blondie, Shoshanah read.

Written Report:

Thank you all for your service. Three of us gathered for a Waimea Canyon Group Business meeting on March 27th, Shoshana took notes and should be able to provide those. There have been no changes with our meetings, attendance has been averaging 10 people at any given time. Birthday potlucks have been very well attended!

*We are on track for the Labor Day Potluck discussing some setup time savers and the schedule.

*Also discussed and voted on were events requiring scholarships and what our group we can do toward that. We will be reviewing budgets in upcoming business meetings with hopes of more member participation. Mahalo, Blondy

9. Standing Committee Reports

- a. **Archives:** Mathea A: Reported three historical dates.

Written Report:

TO DISTRICT

Here are four notable dates for our Alcoholics Anonymous:

1) FIRST AA MEETING IN HAWAII 1943. The very first AA meeting in Hawaii was on Oahu at the Honolulu WMCA on December 14, 1943. Five attended. It was arranged, probably by Euell Gibbon (of Plants-for-food fame). Euell G was a 32 year old soldier based on Oahu.

2) AA BECAME AREA 17 WITH GSO IN 1974

3) FIRST OAHU INTERGROUP 1985. This group grew out of what was then called "Hawaii Area Committee".

4) FIRST HAWAII CONFERENCE 1962

This information and much more is available in Area 17 Archives. Most of it was gathered over the 20 year Area 17 Permanent Archives chair position of Ted K

Love and Service

Mathea A

Out of order: Benita asks about treasurer report. Bob confirms isn't one. Jorina asks if there is anything we can do about this. Scott reports the S&G's state if one misses two meetings AND doesn't submit a report, automatically removed. Someone says attendance is vital. Bob says this isn't the right place for this, lets move on.

b. **Cooperation with the Elder Community (CEC):**

c. **Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC):**

Written report:

For CPC, I've spoken with a couple front desk people at doctor's offices and haven't been able to speak with any doctors as of yet. I have left pamphlets that Benita has given me and am taking those to offices. I met with a couple people at the VA and have contact info for the new addiction person there named Sandy. I have an appointment next week with another doctor. I have met with Chris K who's involved at Mahelona and he's helping spread the word there. I am making a bit of progress and my goal is to try and get to one office a week. Also talking with Jim about a panel/lunch for professionals. I'm always open to any ideas and suggestions so please send them my way.

Amy B

d. **Corrections:** Bill

i. Assembly expenses \$211.91 and \$27.54 (\$239.45)

1. **Motion:** to reimburse for assembly expenses: Jorina; Second: Doug (I think it was Doug, several seconded). **Vote: Passes** unanimously.

Written report:

Area 17 Inform The Delegate Assembly 4/6/25

Attended Sunday the 7h arrived at 930am met with Poipu Beach Sunrise Sobriety Bob E, Katherine I Benita A. and Doug H. (Hui Ohana). The Day was mostly information on voting procedures used by committee's. How to lead a discussion finalize reports. How to vote on agendas items. Who is a voting member. There were mock issues vote on and how votes are counted. Had a chance to see the process. Had to see what a note takers j at the assembly. doesI was able to purchase a AA service manual to understand the structure of General Service Practic and procedures. Duties and responsibilities of being a Delegate and trusted servant for AA.I was able to watch a AA public service announcement commercial.I was brought up to speed with information on Edovo tablets for the jails. I also made new connections with Corrections From Big Island And Maui.I brought back the information I got from assembly to Zach Sui to see what can work here in Kauai KCCC. We're in the process of working with the warden to see what's allowed. Bill G

e. **Grapevine:**

f. **Mynah Bird:**

g. **Public Information:** Doug. Great experience at assembly, expanding network. Nothing new with drivers ed. Charity walk coming up May 3rd, trying to get a table and needs people to sit at table. Started a committee for the float.

h. **Treatment Settings / Special Needs:**

i. **Website Committee:** No report

10. Old Business:

- a. None

11. GSR/District concerns:

12. Announcements/What to take back:

- Concepts workshop: In-progress. Wednesday night at 6:30 on District/IG Zoom, anyone can join.
- A.A. International Convention in Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 3-6, 2025, at the Vancouver Convention Center and BC Place Stadium. Registration is open. You can also attend hybrid.
<https://www.aa.org/international-convention>
- Women's Retreat April 26-29th, Camp Hale Hoa, Kokee. Registration [Link](#)
- Golf Event hosted by Happy Hour Group: May 2, 2025. Ocean Course Hokuala. See flyer on district website for number to text for registration details.
- PRAASA 2026 is in Hawaii. Contact Kunane to volunteer.
- 2025 Kauai Roundup Event at Kumu Camp, Anahola June 5-8, 2025. Registration: <https://kauairoundup.org/>

Out of Order: Jorina asks what we're doing about treasurer. Bob: reiterates guidelines. Jorina: says each committee member must be present, without an excuse. Scott: reads what S&G, must miss two months meetings AND two reports. Mathea: tradition 4, area chair can move for vote of no confidence.

13. Meeting Adjourned: Motion to close meeting made by Scott, seconded by Jay.

Vote taken. Passed Unanimously. No objections or abstentions. Meeting closed at 11:37am.

Closing with the **Responsibility Pledge**: *I am responsible when anyone anywhere reaches out for help I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that I am responsible.*

Next District Meeting will be held on May 24, 2025 at 9:30 AM at the Lihu'e Lutheran Church on German Hill, 4602 Ho'omana Rd, Lihu'e, HI 96766

Respectfully submitted by,
Scott Surface
Secretary, District 6
Hawai'i Area 17
Panel 75