

Minutes for Alcoholic Anonymous
Area 17 | District 6
November 15, 2025

1. Call to order: Declaration of Unity: This we owe to A.A.'s future: To place our common welfare first; To keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives, And the lives of those to come.

Bob calls the meeting to order at 9:32am with the Declaration of Unity.

Attendance: 14 total. Bob F., DCM; JoRina, Treasurer; Jim D., Member; Kathryn B., IG chair; Benita GSR; Christina M., GSR; Giorgio, P.I. Chair; Heather K., GSR; Jay Y., CEC; Mathea A., Archives; Devin D., GSR. Scott S., Secretary. Kopa and Pearl (late)

Zoom: Blondie, GSR; Jenn D., GSR

Quorum Determined: 12 voting members present

7 Majority votes required to pass a motion
9 Votes required for substantial unanimity

Tradition Eleven: Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.

1. Do I sometimes promote AA so fanatically that I make it seem unattractive?
2. Am I always careful to keep the confidences reposed in me as an AA member?
3. Am I careful about throwing AA names around—even within the Fellowship?
4. Am I ashamed of being a recovered, or recovering, alcoholic?
5. What would AA be like if we were not guided by the ideas in Tradition Eleven? Where would I be?
6. Is my AA sobriety attractive enough that a sick drunk would want such a quality for himself?

Read by: Bob; comment: Mathea, Giorgio, Kathryn, Heather, Jenn.

Concept XI: The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern.

- Do we understand how the roles of nontrustee directors and nontrustee appointed committee members help serve and strengthen the committee system?
- How do we encourage our special paid workers to exercise their traditional “Right of Participation”?
- Do we practice rotation in all our service positions?

Read by: Mathea. Comments: Jim, Jay, Devin, Kathryn, Bob, Others

2. Secretary Report: Scott S.

- Thank you Shoshanah for filling in
- GSR Template discussion
- Vote to approve October Minutes

A Motion to accept the minutes as with changes of Anahola Jaywalkers entry was made by: Mathea

Seconded by: Devin

Vote taken: Motion passes

3. Treasurer's Report: JoRina.

- Vote to approve Treasurer's report

District 6 Treasurer's Report

	Dec-24	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	Total
	3,952.62												
Northshore Aloha #123155		35.00		70.00			95.00	30.00	30.00	40.00	25.00	35.00	360.00
Na Wahine Kupono		99.98											99.98
Amarosa Degracia				1,000.00									1,000.00
Hui Ohana							1,250.00					1,250.00	2,500.00
Poipu Beach Sunrise			185.00				104.00		216.80				505.80
Anahola Jaywalkers				105.00									105.00
Happy Hour Kauai				95.00									95.00
Koloa Aloha Group				60.00				60.00			100.00		220.00
Primary Purpose								56.00					56.00
Kauai Intergroup (Website/zoom)							515.45					81.14	596.59
Kapaa Nooners								61.00				61.00	122.00
Hui Lokahi Men's Stag								250.00					250.00
3rd Tradition Group									39.00				39.00
Princeville/Hanalei Group									300.00				300.00
Group Contributions Total		134.98	-	1,515.00	-	-	1,449.00	661.45	307.80	629.00	125.00	1,427.14	6,249.37

	Budget	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	Actual	Difference	Chair	2026	
PO Box	250.00	222.00											222.00	28.00		250.00	
Office Expense	300.00		9.94				208.35						218.29	81.71		300.00	
Rent	300.00						150.00						150.00	150.00		300.00	
DCM Travel & Registration	1,200.00			500.47		698.47			262.06				1,461.00	(261.00)	Bob	1,200.00	
Alt DCM Travel & Registration	500.00												-	500.00		500.00	
PRAASA Travel	1,000.00					1,000.00							1,000.00	-	Bob	1,000.00	
Treatment/Accessibility	5.00												-	5.00		5.00	
Corrections	250.00						239.45	131.50					370.95	(120.95)	Bill G	250.00	
Public Information (PI)	200.00												200.00	200.00	-	Giorgio	500.00
Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)	5.00												-	5.00	Vacant	5.00	
Grapevine	5.00												-	5.00	Vacant	5.00	
Mynah Bird News letter	5.00												-	5.00	Vacant	5.00	
GSR Travel	500.00								96.28				96.28	403.72		500.00	
Cooperation with the Elder Community (CEC)	200.00								90.50				35.59	126.09	73.91	Jay	200.00
GS Board	1,000.00												-	1,000.00			1,000.00
Archives	200.00												-	200.00	Mathea		200.00
Workshops	200.00												-	200.00			200.00
Website (GoDaddy)	500.00						1,114.91						1,114.91	(614.91)	Carolyn	165.00	
Meeting App (Hostgator)	100.00							541.81	(646.95)					(105.14)	205.14	Carolyn	200.00
Zoom	120.00					100.46			63.00				162.27	325.73	(205.73)	Carolyn	175.00
Delegate Expenses	100.00													100.00			100.00
Expense Total	6,940.00	222.00	9.94	500.47	100.46	1,937.92	2,015.07	63.00	352.56	96.28	-		397.86	5,180.11	1,759.89		7,060.00
Prudent Reserve	1,200.00																
Operating Balance	2,665.60	2,655.66	3,670.19	3,569.73	1,631.81	1,065.74	1,664.19	1,619.43	2,248.43	2,277.15	3,306.43						
Bank Balance	3,865.60	3,855.66	4,870.19	4,769.73	2,831.81	2,265.74	2,864.19	2,819.43	3,352.15	3,477.15	4,506.43						
Profit or Loss															1,069.26		

JoRina discusses report. Suggests to reduce the GS board line item; keep PRAASA travel. Jim discusses eliminating line item. Bob: suggest keeping praasa amount because is in HNL this year. Also that we owe church \$150 for rent still. JoRina: expenses for website will end in future panel, but did bring down website expense budget. \$6,060.00 budget.

Mathea moves to approve 2026 budget at \$6,060. Jay seconds.

A Motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented was made by: Mathea

Seconded by: Jay

Vote Taken: Motion passes unanimously

4. Alt DCM Report: Vacant

5. Intergroup Report: Kathryn B.

IG has service opportunities for GIS Chief editor to do newsletter, and IG is looking for qualified IG Alt. Chair as well.

Thank-a-Thon report from Jenn:

Services opportunity for events chair. Need someone to do cold beverages and ice for thank-a-thon. Need to make sure I have a microphone available for the event. Putting out flyer. 7:00 am show up if anyone wants to help out. November 25th cleaning party to help clean up Tuesday (time pending). Bob says he has a microphone available for the event.

6. DCM Report: Bob F.

November is a busy month for an AA in Service.

I was able to attend the 62nd Annual Hawaii Convention in Waikiki over the Halloween weekend.

It was well attended by approximately 1000 members of AA and Alanon. It was my first Hawaii Convention and I was impressed with the amount of participation and work required by many people to present a good show. I went over to volunteer my service and I did. The Marriott Waikiki did a terrific job with the food and accommodations. The speakers at the meal events were from the mainland, were entertaining and yet carried a strong message.

The following weekend were both the Men's and Women's Retreats. I attended the Men's Retreat at the Keala Foundation Spa and Fitness Center below Mount Kahili in Omao. We had 28 men in attendance over the weekend. We are planning to have next years' event on the same weekend, following the Convention, at the same location.

Kathryn will Report on the Gratitude Luncheon held this past Friday and Thankathon coming up on Thursday the 27th.

I think the Treasurer duties and responsibilities, with respect to our Bank of Hawaii accounts will be transferred over to JoRina by the time of the District Meeting. Thank you Shoshannah and Scott for the Minutes.

Thank you for allowing me to be of Service.

Discusses inventory hand out. Handout can be found at:

<https://area17aa.org/panel63/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/2026-HI-Area17-Inventory-Panel75.pdf>

7. GSR Reports:

- **Anahola Jaywalkers:** Christina

Discusses attached report.

Group Name: Anahola Jaywalkers
Meeting Location(s): 3900 Kawelo St., Anahola
GSR Name/contact: Christina M. - cjmgonagle@gmail.com - 781.258.1350

2. Group Health and Activity

Changes from prior month: None
Group: Average of 8
Service Opportunities: Secretary.
How may District support group: Attendance
Group conscious District issues: None at this time
Announcements: None at this time

3. Financial Report (7th Tradition)

Group's Prudent Reserve \$ 150

Contribution:

District:	\$ 105	Area:	\$ 45
Intergroup:	\$ 120	GSO:	\$ 30

- **Big Book Nooners (Koloa):** Jennifer D
Meets Thursday at Noon at Koloa Neighborhood center.
All is well

- **Happy Hour:** Jim

The gratitude luncheon was great success in many ways, disappointing in others. Good participation from many groups. 36 participants, cooked for 60. Discusses gratitude in sobriety. Special thanks to women from happy hour for stepping up. Met with Salvation Army in discussion Salvation Army asks to bring meeting to their facility. Salvation Army looking for 5pm meeting.

- **Hui 'Ohana/ Hui Ohana Virtual: Kopa.** Mathea reporting.

Good attendance. Discusses meeting dates and structure. Meeting has 7 positions of service to run meeting (online). Very well run meeting. Money goes to Hui O'hana under general service number for Hui O'hana. Giorgio says group uses Venmo very successfully.
Hui O'hana annual event today. Meetings are at 10 and 12.

- **Kapa'a nooners:** Heather

Submitted form: Working on review of treasury and how to allocate funds, as well as possibly using venmo. Asking for district for support with airfare and registration for January assembly. Open position for Alternate IG representative.

- **Koloa Aloha:** Devin

Koloa Aloha Group Service Representative Report

Meeting Attendance and Updates - given verbally on Saturday, 15th of November

Format

Koloa Aloha Group meets twice a week in either virtual or in-person gatherings. Daily Reflection literature with a volunteer picked out ahead of time to start the sharing.

Meeting Schedule

- Sundays at 8:15 AM (In-person at Western Pavilion, Poipu Beach)
- Fridays at 8:00 AM (Virtual via Zoom)
 - Business meeting, last Friday of month immediately after

Monthly Update

Attendance declined around 25% for the month of November, with a dip on the weekend of Men's and Women's weekend. Thanks to our alternate GSR for chairing the last business meeting. We encourage new and old members to participate in available and future service opportunities. Next business meeting will be Black Friday, November 28th at 9:00 AM sharp.

- **Princeville-Hanalei:** Janice: not GSR but trying to help connect the North Shore. Business meeting today.

Received late email from Micaiah: Princeville hanalei group is thriving. All meetings have been well attended. New big book study Friday nights at Princeville community vent 7pm.

- **Round-up:** Kathryn

Near finding a location. Will have a committee meeting in December.

- **Poipu beach sunrise sobriety:** Benita

Attendance has increased about 10 people over the last couple weeks. Service opportunities, coffee person for Tuesday and Saturday. Attended retreat and gratitude luncheon. Will do distributions of funds likely in December.

- **Sunday Serenity:** Pearl. No report.

- **Waimea Canyon Group:** Shoshanah submitted report. Blondie reporting during meeting.

Waimea Canyon Group continues to be a small group with committed members. We meet 3x/week at 5:30pm- 6:30pm. Tuesdays and Thursdays are at the Waimea Plantation Cottages

Conference Room. Fridays are held on the waters' edge at MacArthur Park in Kekaha. The last Friday of the month is our birthday meeting, and we have a potluck from 5:30pm-6:30pm followed by a Speaker meeting til 7:30pm. We gave scholarships for two members to attend the Men's and Women's Retreats this past weekend. Our beloved Blondy and Clay, who have been the backbone of the Waimea Canyon Group and westside meetings, will be moving back to the mainland to be close to their mo'opuna. They will be missed. We want to wish them all the best and say, "Mahalo Blondy and Clay - you will always have a place to come home to on Kaua'i." Needless to say, we will be electing new group officers at our next business group conscience meeting.

Lastly, we recently updated Tommy R and JoRina H regarding our current Meeting Name/Descriptions. Tuesdays (no change needed) - Daily Reflections. Changes that we would like made: Thursdays - **Big Book Study and Discussion**; and Fridays - **Living Sober**.

8. Standing Committee Reports

- **Archives:** Mathea A

The Archives chair asks that you review what is currently in our Kauai Archives now. Here is How:

1. Go to KauaiAA.org
2. Click "More": on far right side on menu top of page
3. Click "Kauai Archives" from list
4. Contents:
 - A. 1. Na Wahini Ku Pono History (download)
 2. Sheila L Long timer History (download)
 3. Archives of Neighbor Islands by Ted Kramer (1943-2017) (download)
- B. Thank-A-Thon, origin and History
- C. Kauai District 6 Groups time line, 1960-2006

Bob: suggests asking Linda to write something up about GIS for Archives. Kathryn says Linda doesn't want a lot of communication from us due to personal reasons.

- **Cooperation with the Elder Community (CEC):** Jay Y. Did a presentation on Agency for elderly affairs which went well and believes was effective and helpful.
- **Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC):** Vacant
- **Corrections:** Bill G

Aloha District 6 Apologies for my attendance at the meetings I have been at work on Saturdays. My report for Corrections is unfortunately the same with low attendance being turned away on arrival. We're still tossing around the idea for tablets but have no response yet. We will continue to show up for meetings in person until we get word anything different. We were turned away last Tuesday for Veterans day. We're ok on literature for now and I'm also taking names for the next training pending a date. Mahalo for letting me be of service.

- **Grapevine:** Vacant
- **Mynah Bird:** Vacant

JoRina discusses making a committee from GIS/Mynah bird. Has several people who would like to be on committee, but do not want to be in charge. Would like it to be a committee with a chair. Devin: Clarify if asking if requesting GIS and Mynah bird be merged. JoRina Mynah bird is area responsibility. Pearl asking about GIS budget, Kathryn says this is all in discussion with IG.

- **Public Information:** Giorgio

Shows a photo of a table that he sets up at different events. Has a rack at Kapa'a library. Previously was just a QR code on laminated printout. Believes more literature in physical form may be more helpful and effective. Heather says assigned to PI committee for Area 17. Christina says Princeville-hanalei doesn't have new schedules.

- **Treatment Settings / Special Needs:** Vacant
- **Website Committee:** Carolyn V. No report. JoRina reporting. Budget: fixing hostgator and godaddy charges were significant in getting refunds. Has had communications from groups or individuals in regards to adding items to website. Devin: committee paid for Zoom. Discusses getting microphone, that a recommendation was given. JoRina: IG buys hardware, district pays for software. Bob asks about where is microphone. Kathryn say she doesnt know.

9. Old Business:

- DCM: S&G was never signed, and asked for another copy to sign it. Completed

10. New Business:

- **GSR Template:**
 - JoRina brings up, added to the website. Likes uniformity and believes is helpful. Heather asks about what "Group" meant under item 2. Scott Discuss that this is optional, groups can use or report in their own way. To remove item groups prudent reserve line item.

11. GSR/District concerns:

- None

12. Announcements/What to take back:

- PRAASA 2026 is in Hawaii. Contact Kunane to volunteer.
- Gratitude Luncheon. November 14, 2025 Gratitude Luncheon. Lihu`e Lutheran Church. Register with the Happy Hour group. Flier on website. Tables 8-10 people, \$200/table.
- Thank-a-thon. Nov 27. Lihue United Church 4340 Nawiliwili Rd, Lihue, HI, United States. Newcomers encouraged to get involved!
- January 8, 2026: GSR Orientation. 8am-5pm (zoom)
- Area January Inventory Assembly: January 24 & 25. Hosted by District 13. Lahaina Civic Center. 1840 Honoapiilani Hwy., Lahaina, HI 96761.
- Visit our Area 17's website (area17aa.org) and our District 6 website (<https://kauaiaa.org/>) for the most up to date list of announcements/events.
- PRAASA: Feb 27-March 1, 2026. Hilton Hawaiian Village - Waikiki. 2005 Kalia Rd, Honolulu, HI.

13. Meeting Adjourned: Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Benita Seconded by JoRina. Passes unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:28 with responsibility pledge.

Next District Meeting will be held on December 20, 2025 at 9:30 am at the Lihu`e Lutheran Church, Conference Room, 4602 Ho`omana Rd, Lihu`e, HI 96766