

Kauai District 6 Meeting Minutes
March 18, 2022
Lihue Lutheran Church

1, **Call to order:** Anastasia called the meeting to order at 9:43 AM with the **AA Declaration of Unity**

Any New items to add to the Agenda?

a) Attendance: Anastasia, Jim D;; Bob F; Mathea A; Bob B; Shoshah; Aaron (hybrid); Blondy (hybrid). **(6) voting members present.**

b) Reading of the Tradition 3 checklist and questions read by Garrett S.

c) Reading of the Concept III checklist and questions read by Mathea A. Discussion followed: Mathea discussed our Delegate Tommy and how she has watched him over the years and completely trusts him to represent us at the GSC.. Bob F says that Trust shouldn't even be an issue. Jim D feels that at District 6 we may not be able to trust our trusted service. IE when we asked about having it hybrid, our trusted servants said NO. We are doing the best we can right here. That's why we are sitting her today, aren't we? Garrett - tries to not judge anyone or anything. Bob F - we have an open mtg in poipu (GSR) and we have people with other issues. Not sure how to sponsor him when alcohol isn't his issue.

2. **Secretary's Report:** The Secretary emailed the final draft of the February 18, 2023 minutes to the District distribution list. Copies will be sent to the Area Delegate, Alternate Delegate, and Archivist after the minutes are approved. Written copies were presented to the group in attendance.

Motion to accept the February 2023 minutes as and presented and distributed was made by Mathea ; seconded by Jim D . **Vote taken: 9** in favor. No objections or abstentions. Passed unanimously. **Motion** carries.

3. **Treasurer's Report:** Bob F - The Treasurer distributed the report via email and printed copies were available at the meeting. See the spreadsheets for details. Discussed costs for hybrid equipment. Aaron reports that we will have money left over. Go Daddy and Zoom had added expenses and he sent the Treasurer and Secretary the invoices via email today. Our biggest expenses this year will be travel expenses. Right now we have a large overage but this should even out by the end of this year. We are generating a lot of revenue. No GSO allocations made yet this year. Garrett reminded us that the PO fee should be \$216. Amy has a question for Aaron: Why is our zoom fee \$50/month. Shouldn't it be \$ 100/year. We are being billed for 3 zoom accounts and we don't understand why.

Motion to accept the January 2023 Treasury Report as and presented and corrected was made by Mathea A; seconded Amy B. **Vote was taken:** 9 in favor. No objections or abstentions. Passed unanimously. **Motion** carries.

4. **Alt DCM Report:** Jim D - He has questions about the Thursday at 6:30pm Koloa mtg. It is on our schedule as an AA mtg and it is not an AA mtg (ACOA, AA, Alanon, family). Amy enjoys the meeting. They do collect 7th tradition. Mathea reminded us that Denise came on the island trying to put on a youth camp. This meeting is not AA. On behalf of intergroup, mathea sent in a letter with a copy of the physical schedule to marry together the schedule , mobil app and online... if he wants to accept that. It is on the app. Garrett asks about format - speaker meeting. No literature. Bob B reminded us that he has heard that it is a great mtg and should be on the schedule. He suggested that we can designate it as using unapproved literature on the schedule. Mathea - "it is the responsibility of intergroup to make the schedules." She suggested that we "release this topic to Intergroup".

Bob makes a **motion** that we list this meeting into the current schedule with a #. Discussion followed. Amy shared. Mathea said it is not the business of schedule. Garrett - if that's the case, after listening to Jim and Mathea, he says let Intergroup decide. Bob F asks how it gets to Intergroup. Mathea will bring it to Intergroup. Bob B - Mathea is absolutely right. Bob withdraws his motion. He will bring it up at intergroup. Jim D - says that he attends intergroup. One change - Sean G is the new hotline chair and Events chair Mike T (capt). Lydgate Pavilion is reserved for Founders Day. Round up will be held in 2024.

5. **Intergroup Report:** Mathea - Pleased with progress at intergroup. Chairs are filling up. Looking forward to learning more about the phone system/ statistics. How many call we are getting, how much is coming from the meeting app. We are in the 4th interaction of the mtg app right now. Literature - Bob B - gave new updated inventory of the literature available in the literature locker. 22 Big books and he is able to hold the prices down at \$9.00. He also has new schedules. Bob F asked Bob B if he got a check from District for the Red Books. Bob B said that Bob F returned them. Bob F said that he gave some out to his group. Bob B thinks he has 4-6 returned. BOB f to check on the check.

PRAASA - Mathea reporting. 24th PRAASA. She shared the program that she highlighted it: orange is local person reporting. Young people's mtg is at 10:30-midnight. The average age of the attendees (1, 516 people) were young with an average age - 35-40 years. Great energy. She also shared other handouts: Treasury Round Table Minutes: Page 2 is the stuff we are responsible for. Mathea has a thumbdrive of the entire conference. Next year, it will be in SF, in the 1st weekend in March. 7 western states. 15 areas in those states. They go over what is new and upcoming in AA.

Bob F is asking about the PRAASA line item for 2023. He will take it off as it is for 2024.

Anastasia: The committee mtg: when you send checks, put district # GSR's need to register for housing/home stay for the Inform the Delegate Assembly, April 1-2. If you booked later, they want you to re-register for the Assembly so they can get you on the list.

She has a copy of Mynah Bird, contribution forms for Hawaii Area Committee, AA/alanon events/bake sale, Saturday April 22. Agenda Items (see handouts) of which there are about 100 : we have the finance questions - 27 items taken up by Hawaii.

Agenda item A: Mathea read most of the literature, background. It was generated by 2 groups in Texas and got the delegate to sign off on it. Under GSB : AAWS (GSO and warehouse in Kansas where the books are stored), a selection committee) and Grapevine. Her question is Where do we send our contributions: everyone says GSO. GSO is the "store" and GSB is "the bank". We do not need to change anything at this time. It is valid but not necessary.

Jim D brought up that the GIS listing of the 4th entities is incorrect. We shared a corrected list and Bob F approved the corrections. "Head in the clouds, feet on the ground" GSO/GSB. The conferenced tells us how to spend the money and the GSB controls the \$. We need to be as cautious and precise as we can by letting people know and understand the distinction.

Shoshanah suggested a workshop. Anastasia took a soft vote: 5 against (majority)

Agenda Item B: Cost for putting on the GSC (\$9,000/participant) for the week - 135 participants. It is suggested that we send 20% and \$1800. Last year we had a lot of \$ because everything was virtual. Delegate expenses are picked up by Area: housing; transportation, food. Mathea explained that this contribution to subsidize the GSC has been increasing . the last time it was raised was in 2017. Average amount of raising the suggested contribution has been about 33%. Service manual (page 30) and we need to raise it. That would be an additional \$600.

Discussion: Jim D has mixed feelings about this. We just went through a pandemic - now we do things differently (ie hybrid meetings). He would encourage people to read the final conference report last year. People got sick and they were not prepared for this first time post pandemic face to face gathering. Why do we not do more of these conferences hybrid? At some point, we have to be prudent about what we do. Maybe we need to consider less expensive ways to do this stuff. We can't keep throwing money away. Mathea agreed. SHe wonders about that also. At the Orientation Assembly, she asked Deborah (alt del) why we are doing it this way. Why are we not doing hybrid anymore. It is not in the numbers. Participation went down with face to face and virtual. Face to face for the orientation assembly. All face to face, the number of participants go back to pre-pandemic. We can get the numbers from this years GSC and see about the attendance. Anastasia feels we build more relationships with face-to-face encounters. Mathea said that GSC was considering moving it to the middle of the US, the transportation costs for all the individuals would be more expensive/ not financially feasible and it is on the Agenda. Jim showed us the map from page 88 in the new service manual.

6. GSR Reports:

Na Wahine Ku Pono - Amy, GSR. Business meeting on Monday and will be discussing the Agenda items.

Na Wahine Virtual welcomes Nikola P from Marina DelRey, CA, as their new Alternate GSR. Contact info : (310) 895-1650 (cell); Email: Saint.Venetian@gmail.com

Waimea Canyon - Shoshanah reporting. At our business meeting, we voted to contribute to the four entities. Our Friday, beach meeting at MacArthur Park will be changing to a Big Book study after we complete reading from Living Sober. See the printed schedule and kauaiaa.org for complete details.

Anahola Jaywalkers - no report

Hui `Ohana - James B, GSR. going well almost had a coffee pot fight . they didn't return. Meeting going fine. He ;will be going over for the Inform the Delegate Assembly - on Archives standing committee.

Hui `Ohana Virtual – Kalani Joe is the liason

Koloa Aloha - Mathea reporting. 2 meetings per week. One in person, one online. 2 officers -no IR, no GSR. people pitching in as they can.

Sunrise Sobriety – Bob F. GSR. Good participation. All positions filled. Intergroup repo, events chair, 2nd saturday of the month business meeting/group conscience. Ramon does breakfast after the meeting. Lively but not violent. Men's retreat last weekend in October at Camp Hale Koa - 30 people. Women's retreat is at Camp Naue the same weekend. His group is interested in PI and looking at online AA-owned app and young people's video agenda items. We need to find alternate ways to get the information out to people. He is grateful for the hotline and their work on island.

Princeville-Hanalei - no report

Happy Hour - Jim reporting. Wednesday meeting is fun. Lately just a couple of people. One day in the past month, a visitor and 2 newcomers really got excited about this stuff. One visitor from CA (got sober in Philadelphia 40 plus years) and had never seen the service manual.

7. Standing Committee Reports:

Archives: position vacant

Cooperation with the Elder Community (CEC): position vacant

Corrections: Garrett S - Spoke with Janene yesterday and she referred him to Clayton Sui (KCCC prison ministries) and said that Kalei, Charlie, and Kalei are authorized now. Haven't gone in since December 20th. Want women to be trained. Want to hold a women's training. They exchanged email addresses. Encouraging us to go there more. It can be every Tuesday

at 7pm. We need to let Clayton know and Clayton want to know who is charge of the AA members. Keola doesn't want to go in by himself so they haven't gone in since December.

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC): position vacant

Grapevine: Mathea A - nothing to new to report

Mynah Bird: position vacant

PI: Kevin H - not present. No report.

Treatment Settings and Special Needs: position vacant

Website: Aaron L - he just updated the invoices and email to Bob F and secretary. He can remove the extra Zoom accounts. HostGator is a yearly charge. We have an extra microphone and may not need it. Go Daddy security software, which is a MUST, costs \$199.98. Question about email addresses for our officers and will be looking into how to set that up.

8. Old Business

- Elected a new DCM - Anastasia.
- Hybrid meetings: see discussion
- Vacant Standing Committee Members - and GSR
- Update District 6 Structures and Guidelines – up for discussion this month
- On-going discussion: need to revitalize AA and service participation on our island

9. New Business:

- **PRAASA report back - Mathea**
- **Inform the Delegate Assembly** – April 1-2, 2023 Leeward District 3 is hosting. Registration is posted on the website at www.area17aa.org
- We may have to host and optional committee meeting and we didn't
- **Budget Assembly:** September 9-10: District #10 Waikiki, Oahu
- **73rd General Service Conference:** April 23-29, 2023: Conference Theme: “A.A.’s “Three Legacies – Our Common Solution”, Brooklyn, New York
- **International Convention:** July 3 - 6, 2025: Vancouver BC, Canada
- Standing committee chair positions available: Archives, CEC; CPC; Mynah Bird, Tx settings
- **2023 May Committee Meeting** - Hosted by District 11, Kihei, Maui
Saturday, May 20th, 2023 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Breakfast: Saturday, May 20th, **8:00 - 9:00 AM**
Committee Meeting Location: **TBD**
Please Register Early
[Register Here](#)
CHAIR: Tracy Ann dcm11@area17aa.org / **501-703-0498**
for any questions other than transportation.
Transportation: committeetransportation@area17aa.org

- **Upcoming on-island events: Men's Retreat** - Camp Hale Koa **Women's Retreat** - Camp Naue: both last weekend in October
- **Corrections committee** wants to ask our members who might be interested in being trained to bring an AA meeting into the jail. KCCC asked, too, for hopefully some women as well. They want to plan another training. **Contact Garrett S**, Panel 73 Corrections Standing Committee Chair for upcoming training information and questions. Cell: **808.651.9249**

10. **GSR/District concerns:**

11. **Announcements/What to take back**

- **GSR's need to register for housing/home stay for the Inform the Delegate Assembly, April 1-2.** If you register late (after 3/17), the Homestay committee want you to re-register for the Assembly AGAIN so they can get you on the homestay list. **Inform the Delegate Assembly** – April 1-2, 2023 Leeward District 3 is hosting. Registration is posted on the website at www.area17aa.org
- **Upcoming on-island events: Men's Retreat** - Camp Hale Koa **Women's Retreat** - Camp Naue: both last weekend in October
- **Corrections committee** wants to ask Kaua'i AA if our members, especially women, would be interested in being trained to bring an AA meeting into KCCC. Currently, we have a few men who have been trained and certified and bring a meeting to KCCC. The challenge is having 2 members to go in together so more of us trained, the better. Please let Garrett S, Panel 73 Corrections Standing Committee Chair for upcoming training information and questions. Cell: 808.651.9249.
- bringing an AA meeting into the jail as KCCC is working with us and are want to know if we have enough interest within our community. another training. KCCC is asking us to see if we have any women members interested. They want to plan another training and we have support of KCCC. Contact Garrett, **tFounders Day** will be held at Lydgate Pavilion. Stay tuned/ More info to follow
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- Standing committee chair positions available: Archives, CEC; CPC; Mynah Bird, Tx settings
- GSR's and/or Alternate GSR's needed to attend District meetings. Encourage your groups to participate in Service.
- 7th tradition contributions - consider sending splits to the four entities: District, Intergroup, Area 17, and GSO contributions.
- **2023 May Committee Meeting** - Hosted by District 11, Kihei, Maui
Saturday, May 20th, 2023 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Breakfast: Saturday, May 20th, **8:00 - 9:00 AM**

Committee Meeting Location: **TBD**

Please Register Early

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CHAIR: Tracy Ann dcm11@area17aa.org / **501-703-0498**

for any questions other than transportation.

Transportation: committeetransportation@area17aa.org

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12. **Motion made** to adjourn was made by Amy B and seconded by James B . **Vote taken:** **9** votes. **Passed unanimously.** Meeting Adjourned at 11:58 AM.

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.*

The Next District Meeting will be held on April 15, 2023 at 9:30 am at the Lihu`e Lutheran Church, Room 8, 4602 Ho`omana Rd, Lihu`e, HI 96766

Respectfully submitted,

Susan H. Barretto aka Shoshanah
District 6 Secretary
Panel 73