Minutes of the District Meeting July 20, 2013

The meeting was <u>called to order</u> at 9:38 by Ron A. with the reading of the Declaration of Unity. No new items were added to the agenda.

The <u>Twelve Concepts checklist</u>, Concept 7, was read by Jay.

The <u>Twelve Traditions checklist</u>, Tradition 7, was read by Jay Y.

The <u>Secretary's Minutes</u> from the last meeting of June 15, were presented by George K. and were accepted.

The <u>Treasurer's Report</u> was presented by Jay Y. and accepted. He announced that he has paid for the booth at the upcoming county fair.

The meeting was then delayed while a rousing and informative <u>workshop</u> was presented by Jay Y. entitled <u>'Where Money and Spirituality Mix'</u>. Jay talked about the structure of AA and the fact that money matters are a very emotionally charged issue among the members of AA. They are handled in a well-thought-out process and are not taken lightly. He asked Bob B. to mention some of the financial obligations of the Kauai Intergroup and Bob stated that the two primary outlays of money go to supporting island functions (i.e. Thank-A-Thon, Fourth-of-July, etc.) and literature. Jay then mentioned that the District also has expenses, primarily travel expenses to attend conferences and to keep the Kauai groups connected to the whole of AA. He encouraged everyone to express their opinions about money. Ron A. then encouraged everyone to make use of the available AA pamphlets regarding money. http://www.aa.org/pdf/products/f-3_selfsupport.pdf

The meeting then resumed.

The combined Alt DCM and Intergroup report was given by Alejandro.

He stated that Intergroup reported they had \$3300 in the bank.

The Kauai AA hotline is doing well with no staff vacancies at this time.

The literature person, Linda, is asking anyone interested in purchasing sobriety chips to contact Mark. Also there is a question as to who pays for the literature used in the racks around the island that are put out by the district PI committee. Intergroup states that their funds are only to be used for group literature. Ron A stated that they are looking into this.

The Intergroup Caravan to meetings has been put on hold for now due to poor participation.

Laurel is the new GSR for the Sunday Serenity Group that meets at 10 am in Kapaa.

The Kamalani group is still very much alive.

The Friday meeting at the Lihue Neighborhood Center needs support.

DCM report - Ron A

Ron stated that there was nothing significant to report.

Copies of the proposed 2014 budget are available online.

Also, the planning for the upcoming Committee Meeting in February needs to start soon.

GSR reports:

T.G.I.F.: Stew stated the meetings are strong and there is plenty of parking.

Young Peoples: Susannah C reported that they need an Alt. GSR for the meeting as well as a new treasurer as the current treasurer's commitment ends soon. They have been plagued with poor attendance at the business meetings. Also the water meetings are poorly attended. They are considering a friendship/fellowship liaison.

Happy Hour: Jenn D stated she has finished the survey and it went well. The membership has expressed the desire to have more fun activities.

Saturday Third Tradition: Barbie said that the group has a new secretary. They have been having some good speakers and the meetings have been very well attended with about sixty people. They also are having poor attendance at their business meetings though. There was some concern expressed about

who sets the format for the group meetings and Ron A referred her to the pamphlet 'The AA Group'. The format changes are done at the business meetings which are attended by home group members. Ron stated that he will attend the next business meeting to help with any clarification or guidance.

Keep It Simple: Jon S. The group has elected him as Alt. GSR. They continue to give out free copies of 'Living Sober' to all new members. Allison has requested that the district pay for half of her plane fare to the upcoming October conference. A motion was proposed concerning this and was passed.

Hui Lokahi: Jon S. He was also elected Alt. GSR for this group. He states that meeting attendance is great and is standing room only. He is concerned that they do not have regular business meetings and that he has never heard a treasurer's report.

Princeville/Hanalei: Paul M stated that they still have ten meetings a week and attendance is good. They are having a business meeting tonight.

Koloa Nooners: George K said the group is doing well with about thirty meetings per month. The treasurer has just put out a treasurer's report. Also the upcoming Saturday Dinner and a Speaker meeting was mentioned. It will be a chili supper and Ken K, the Area 17 delegate, will be the speaker.

Experience, Strength and Hope: Alejandro reports that the group, which meets at the Hawaiian Church on Fridays, is doing well though they could use more support.

Hui Ohana: Susan Ok said that there was very good Fourth of July attendance at Lydgate Park. There was some concern about the group selling T-shirts to its members so they have segregated that activity to resolve the controversy.

Standing Committees:

Website: Susan Ok requested that Jon S act as website manager back up if needed and he agreed. **Corrections**: Jon S said everything is going well at this time. They giving away copies of the Grapevine and the prison is getting their subscription to the Grapevine.

PI: Jenn D reported for Jim. The upcoming county fair booth will have coffee. Al- Anon members are supposed to be present as well at the booth. There are still volunteer positions available.

Grapevine: Alejandro reported for Pattilyne. There are two more subscriptions for the Grapevine on Kauai. He encouraged members to continue their support.

Old Business:

The proposal to combine the PI and the CPC committees was brought up but was tabled so further research could be done on the matter.

New Business:

A suggestion was made to put out a sheet giving the suggested percentages to contribute to the different levels of AA for the groups and the address for the same. The information is below:

Kauai Intergroup P.O. Box 3606 Lihue, HI 9676

Suggested contribution: 50%

Kauai District Committee P.O. Box 1503 Kapaa, HI 96746 Suggested contribution: 10%

Hawaii Area Committee 1253 S. Beretania St., #2107 Honolulu, HI 96814-1822 Suggested contribution: 10% The General Service Office Post Office Box 459 Grand Central Station New York, NY 10163-0459 Suggested Contribution: 30%

Announcements:

George K reiterated the upcoming Saturday Dinner and a Meeting event at the Koloa Salvation Army Chapel next Saturday, July 27th, at 7:00 PM with the Speaker at 8:00.

The meeting was closed at 11:35 with the Responsibility Pledge.

Meeting attendees:

George K.

Ron L.

Jay Y.

Susan O.

Amorosa D.

Stew A.

Susannah C.

Jennifer D.

Barbie

Jay

Jon S.

Paul M.

Bob B.