Minutes for the District Meeting of May 17, 2014

The meeting was <u>called to order</u> at 9:37 by Alejandro with the Declaration of Unity.

A new item was <u>added to the agenda</u> under New Business regarding amending the budget (although it certainly sounded like old business to me).

The **Twelve Traditions Checklist**, Tradition 5 was read by Jon S.

The **Twelve Concepts Checklist**, Concept 5 was read by Crystal B.

The <u>Secretary's Report</u> was absent due to a lack of ink in George K's printer; however, the online report was accepted and approved.

The <u>Treasurer's Report</u> was presented by Steve Q., showing income this month of \$335 and no expenses, leaving a current bank balance of \$3,561.58. The report was approved.

Alejandro gave the Alternate DCM Report, starting with a welcome to the new members in General Service. He recalled being afraid during his first General Service position and assured them he had empathy for their feelings. Alejandro will be going to the Committee Meeting in Waianae tomorrow (May 18). He reminded everyone of the upcoming Budget Assembly, August 16-17, on Maui and the Elections Assembly, October 18-19, in Puna on the Big Island. This prompted a question from Paul M about who should attend the Elections Assembly: the current GSR's or the newly elected GSR's that take their positions between now and the Assembly. The answer was that until the newly elected GSR's attend the orientation assembly in January, the current GSR's should attend the Elections Assembly. Alejandro also brought up the question of inviting the Area delegate to the island to give his report but this was delayed until new business.

<u>Intergroup Report</u> was also given by Alejandro. He said Intergroup will be sponsoring Founder's Day on Saturday, June 7th, as well as the 4th of July celebration and the Labor Day celebration. Intergroup discussed having a booth at the county fair this year and was concerned about this breaking the tradition of anonymity. Dean has requested a report from the Garden Island Sobriety newsletter. Also, they have ordered more books and the new schedules are printed and available.

<u>DCM report</u> was deferred as the DCM is off gallivanting around the mainland, all the while supplying us with pictures on Facebook of his carefree adventures.

GSR reports:

<u>Sobriety in Paradise</u> - Geoff G reported that there was nothing new. Attendance has been good and they have their major positions filled.

Steps to Freedom - Steve Q is the new GSR. They continue to have their Big Book meetings every Monday, with the Birthday meeting being on the last Monday of every month. Attendance has been good and they welcome new members and visitors with shell leis.

<u>Princeville/Hanalei</u> - Paul M said the 10 meetings are going well with great attendance. The rotation for service positions is coming up at the end of June.

<u>Hui Ohana</u> - Kalei reported that the meetings every day at Lydgate are great with 25-30 people in attendance. They have lots of new people and they are now using the Grapevine in the Friday meetings (which earned him great praise from Paul M, the Grapevine rep).

<u>Waimea Canyon</u> - Shoshanah was elated to state that the meetings are doing great with anywhere from 4 to 18 people in attendance. They have elected a new Intergroup rep (Brandi R) and a new treasurer (Zach R).

<u>Happy Hour</u> - Crystal B said the daily meetings at Nawiliwili are drawwing an average of 15 people. Their cookouts are a success. They have a new Intergroup rep (Brad).

<u>Keep It Simple</u> - Jon S reported that attendance is great. They continue to give a copy of Living Sober to newcomers. The current GSR, Alison, is moving to Oahu for school so they are looking for a new GSR.

<u>Hui Lokahi</u> - Jon S says the meetings are strong with lots of visitors. They are having 35-40 people per meeting.

<u>Koloa Aloha</u> - Mathea proudly stated that the Friday and Sunday meetings are going well. They have collected \$350 so far to send their GSR to PRAASA next year. There are 35-40 people per meeting with about half being visitors.

<u>Koloa Nooners</u> - George K said that the meetings are going well. The Last Saturday meeting this month will be on the 31st and the theme is a Soup and Chili Pot Luck. Everyone is invited.

<u>Step Sisters</u> - Barbie said the Friday Women's meeting is doing well with about 12 people in attendance.

<u>Meditation Meeting</u> - Barbie reported that the meeting, which is every Monday at 11:15 AM at the First Hawaiian Church in Kapaa, is in great need of help.

<u>Saturday Night Third Tradition</u> - Barbie was ecstatic that the meetings are having an average of 50-60 people.

<u>Experience, Strength and Hope</u> - Alejandro said the meetings, every Friday at 10 AM, have good attendance but could use some support. They read stories from the Big Book. There is no coffee at the meetings.

<u>Came To Believe</u> - The meetings are Wednesdays at 6 PM in Lihue at the St. Michael's Church. Alejandro said this meeting also needs support. Every last Wednesday of the month is 'Pizza Night'.

Standing Committee Reports

Archives - No Report

<u>Corrections</u> - Jon S began by thanking Intergroup for donating 12 softcover copies of the Big Book. Attendance has been great and the meetings have been phenomenal. There are opportunities for speakers at the meetings; they only need a week's notice and you can contact either Jon or Alejandro if you're interested. They have also developed 'Bridge Packets' for those getting out of incarceration.

<u>CPC</u> (Cooperation with the Professional Community) - No Report

<u>Grapevine/Mynah Bird</u> - Paul M proudly announced that a Grapevine workshop today from 12 -2 PM. It will be a potluck. They have also scheduled Grapevine events for Founder's Day, the Fourth of July and Labor Day. Please contact Paul for any upcoming events that involve the Grapevine. He related that the Princeville group raffles off a subscription to the Grapevine every month. Paul also reminded everyone that groups are not send donations directly to the Grapevine Board.

PI - No Report

<u>CEC</u> (cooperation with the Elder Community) - No Report

<u>Treatment Settings/Special Needs</u> - Mathea once again reiterated that there are no inpatient treatment centers on this island. There is an outpatient treatment center at Dr. McKenna's office and a detoxification center at Mahalona but most of the acute work with alcoholics on the island is done by the police and judicial system. She also restated that 85% of the island's meetings are accessible to the handicapped with the only one not being so is the Salvation Army center in Koloa.

Website - Jon S said that the website is doing well.

District Business

Old Business -

<u>Amendment of the District Structures and Guidelines</u> - Alejandro brought a formal proposal for changes to bring the District up to date with the current nomenclature. Copies of the changes are attached. They were approved.

<u>Fourth of July</u> - George K brought up the upcoming event to try and clarify exactly who was in charge. After wading through a few minutes of murkiness it was decided that the discussion would take place after the meeting and involve Bob from the Intergroup.

<u>Shoshanah</u> enthusiastically thanked the District for supporting the Waimea Canyon group by sending their GSR to the recent meeting on Oahu.

New Business -

<u>County Fair</u> - The booth for the upcoming event in August will cost \$\$575 and is already in the budget. The question remains about the conflict of anonymity. Everyone is asked to discuss the situation with their groups and let the District know how they feel about it.

<u>Invite the Delegate</u> - Alejandro brought up the possibility of inviting the Area Delegate to present his report from the recent General Service Conference. He will see Ken at the conference tomorrow and ask him for dates. The general consensus was to invite him on a Friday/Saturday schedule so he could present to the North Shore groups on Friday and to the South Shore at the Saturday End-of-the-Month meeting in Koloa.

<u>Budget Amendment</u> - Steve Q brought in the written proposal for the budget changes which consisted of: (1) Omit the Garden Island Sobriety Newsletter funding, (2) Add \$100 to the Grapevine budget taking it from \$100 to \$200, (3) Add \$220 to the workshop budget taking it from \$180 to \$400, (4) Add \$2000 to the GSR travel budget taking it from \$500 to \$2500. There was some discussion, mostly centered around the GIS funding, but the amendments passed.

Announcements -

Paul M reminded everyone of the Founder's Day event, June 7th, from 4 PM to 7 PM, at the Hanalei Community Center.

Jon S told everyone that the website for HICYPAA is u for anyone wanting to register for the conference which is August 1-3 on the Big Island.

The meeting was closed at 10:58 with the Responsibility Pledge.

In Attendance:

George K

Mathea A

Jon S

Crystal B Amorosa D

Kalei K

Paul M

Steve Q Geoff G

Shoshanah B

Barbie

DISTRICT 6 ELECTIONS FOR PANEL 65 SEPTEMBER 20TH 2014 LOCATION - LIHUE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

ELECTIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

- DCM
- ALTERNATE DCM
- DISTRICT TREASURER
- DISTRICT SECRETARY

EVERY GROUP IS AUTONOMOUS BUT DISTRICT ENCOURAGE GROUPS TO:

- **❖** ELECT THEIR GROUP STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOLLOWING STRUCTURES AND GUIDELINES, AND SERVICE MANUAL AS GUIDES FOR THE VOTING PROCEDURE.
- ❖ TO ELECT THEIR GSR BEFORE THE HAWAII AREA 17 ELECTION ASSEMBLY OCTOBER 19/18 2014 HELD AT PUNA HAWAII.
- **❖ SEND THEIR GSR TO VOTE FOR THE NEW DCM AND DISTRICT OFFICERS.**

DISTRICT 6 STRUCTURES AND GUIDELINES

2012 VERSION

Article XIII District Meeting

District Meeting Schedule

1. The District #6 meeting is held once a month on date decided by the group.

Typical Meeting Agenda

- Secretary's report
- Treasurer's report
- Alt. DCM report
- DCM report
- GSR reports
- Standing Committee Members Report
- District Business
 - 1. Old business
 - 2. New business
- GSR and District concerns
- Announcements
- CLOSING/Responsibility Pledge

2014 UPDATE

Article XIII District Meeting

- District Meeting Schedule
 - 1. The District #6 meeting is held once a month on date decided by the group.

Typical Meeting Agenda

- Opening/ Declaration of Unity
- Any items to add to the Agenda?
- The Twelve Traditions Checklist of the Month
- The Twelve Concepts Checklist of the Month
- ❖ Secretary's report
- Treasurer's report
- Alt. DCM report
- ❖ Intergroup Report
- ❖ DCM report
- GSR reports
- Standing Committee Members Report
- District Business
 - 1. Old business
 - 2. New business
- **❖ GSR and District concerns**
- Announcements
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Arranged in same order as on agenda, and added several new items from agenda.

DISTRICT 6 STRUCTURES AND GUIDELINES

2012 VERSION

Article III District Membership

6. Standing Committee Chairs: Archives, CPC,
Grapevine/Mynah Bird, Hospitals, Public Information, Corrections,
Treatment, and any other committees the District might have.

2014 UPDATE Article III District Membership

 Standing Committee Chairs: Archives, Corrections, CPC, Grapevine/Mynah Bird, Public Information, CEC, Treatment Settings/ Special Needs, Website, and any other committees the District might have.

Deleted Hospitals and Treatment.

Added CEC, Treatment Settings/ Special Needs and Website.

2012 VERSION

Article VII Standing Committee Members

Archives
Corrections
Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)
Grapevine/Mynah Bird
Hospitals
Public Information
Treatment Facilities
Website (added Oct 2012)

2014 UPDATE

Article VII Standing Committee Members

- * Archives
- Corrections
- Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)
- ❖ Grapevine/Mynah Bird
- ❖ Public Information
- ♦ CEC
- Treatment Settings/Special Needs
- Website

Arranged the standing committees in same order of agenda. Added CEC, Treatment Settings/Special Needs.

KAUAI AA PRESENTS THE

ANNUAL ATH OF JULY CELEBRATIONS

COME JOIN US AT THE POIPU BEACH PARK FRIDAY, JULY 4TH, AT THE LARGE PAVILION. HAMBURGERS, HOTDOGS, POTATO SALAD, DRINKS AND CONDIMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED. GAMES WILL BE SET UP. KEIKI POOL NEARBY. FAMILIES AND KEIKI WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED.



Setup starts at 8:00 AM Festivities begin at 9:00 AM Meetings will be held at:

> 10:00 AM 2:00 PM 4:00 PM

Food will be served at 11:00 AM A Grapevine Skit will be held at 1:00 PM



Don't forget to bring your favorite sides: Salads, Veggies, Desserts. The pavilion is open until 10:00 PM so stay and watch the fireworks!





SOUP AND CHILI POTLUCK!

Come join us for our monthly get-together and bring your favorite soup, chili or side.

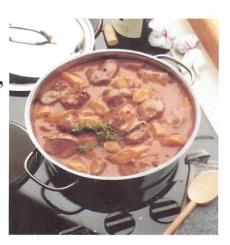
(Bread, cornbread, salad, whatever...)

Saturday, May 31st, at the Koloa Salvation Army

Chapel.



Dinner at 7 PM,
Speaker at 8
PM.
Families
welcome and
encouraged.





Sit down and take part in the fun, fellowship and merriment.

