

Kauai Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

The Meeting was called to order by Ann W., the Intergroup Chair, at 9:39am with the Serenity Prayer. There were ten people in attendance in person, and no people in attendance on Zoom, as follows:

In Person:

Ann W., Mathea A., Carolyn V., Tom R., Benita A., Mike T., Kathryn B., Jana K., Jeanne L., and Doug H.

ZOOM: 0

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Ann W. entertained a Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes from the August 3, 2024 meeting as received by email.

Tom R. Motioned to Approve the Minutes; Benita A. Seconded the Motion.

All in Favor – Unanimous.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Tom R. provided the Treasurer's Report for the month of September 2024, as follows:

Income	\$ 820.61
Expenses	\$2,722.99
Balance	\$4,176.78
Prudent Reserve	\$1,300.00
Operating Balance	\$2,876.78

Discussion: Tom R. requested to change the Agenda and place "Schedules" first under Committee Reports so it directly follows after the Treasurer's Report. He reports on both items and Schedules tie in with the Treasurer's Report. Everyone was fine with this request.

Secondly, Tom R. brought up the Literature order issue (regarding the purchase made by previous Literature Chair, Bob B., at the International Convention several years back, in the amount of \$944.20, currently, \$1,001.20). Tom R. went to see Bob B, and Bob's memory is declining. Apparently, Bob used a credit card with an expired expiration date. It took the company we-don't-know-how-long to identify the problem. Tom R. stated he is not a collection agent and didn't feel it is his duty to continue to resolve the issue with the late-80-year old couple. The bill has been paid and we are now able to order Literature as usual. It was decided by the group to let this go.

Carolyn V. brought up the Intergroup and District Zoom Account, and on whose credit card account it should be placed. It has apparently always been on the Website Chair's personal credit card, and they submit the bills to the Treasurer who then reimburses them for the fees. Carolyn V. stated she didn't feel the Website Chair is where these charges belong.

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Mathea A. suggested we table this until we determine where to place “Zoom” in the organization. Carolyn V. stated that the account is currently on Charlie S.’s credit card account and he would like it removed. Discussion ensued.

Jana K. noted that groups pay for their own Zoom accounts, why does Intergroup need its own? Benita A. stated there is not a lot of Zoom attendance at Intergroup meetings.

Tom R. made a Motion to dissolve the Zoom account altogether.

Mathea A. Seconded the Motion.

Eight voted in Favor.

Two Abstained.

Ann W. asked Carolyn V. to let Charlie S. know about the decision to dissolve the Zoom account, but to wait until after the District meeting, so we can include their input.

COMMITTEES:

Events:

Mike T. reported for the Roundup Committee that the 2025 Roundup Event will be held at Kumu Camp in Anahola on June 5 – 8, 2025.

For the Thank-A-Thon, Mike T. requested a check in the amount of \$156.00 to secure the deposit for the Lutheran Church of Christ aka the Stone Church in Lihue. This brought up the discussion regarding a \$59.00 credit we have from last year. Mike T. clarified the cost to rent the church on Thanksgiving is \$215.00, minus the credit of \$59.00, equals \$156.00. Mike T. is currently the Thank-A-thon Chair, however, if someone else steps up, he will allow them to take over. He is also in contact with Bob F. because he has a lot of experience, an outline and a punchlist for past Thank-A-Thon events. We still have a lot of decorations left over from last year, and Mathea A. shared her Al-Anon contact information with Mike T.

Doug H. from Hui Ohana, Friday Nightly Reflections Group was present to share a WhatsApp Sober Fun and Fellowship “group” he has created for like-minded activities outside of meetings and AA Events. The kind of activities have included fishing, spear diving, bowling, going out to dinner, sky diving, etc. You must be invited to the group by someone within the group, and it provides real-time communication to the group members. Anonymity issues and discussion followed.

District:

Mathea A. reported for District in the absence of Jim D. On September 21, 2024, District is holding an Election Event instead of their usual meeting, from 9:30am to 11:00am, here at the Lihue Lutheran Church. They need a new DCM, Alternate DCM, a Treasurer, and a Secretary.

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GIS: Ann W. reported for GIS. Intergroup will be holding elections soon. We have the Intergroup General Chair, Alternate General Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and Schedules positions to be filled. All of this will be posted in the GIS.

Hotline: Nothing to report this month.

Literature: Benita A. reported that we received a large order and the Literature locker is full. She has also made a bunch of Newcomer packages for distribution. The new Plain Language Big Book is coming out in November and she is planning on ordering some. Jeanne L. thanked Benita for stepping up for her while she was away last month.

Schedules: Tom R. passed out new Schedules and passed around a copy for edits.

Website: Carolyn V. provided an overview of the changes she's made to the Website since last meeting.

IGR REPORTS:

Primary Purpose: Tom R. reported for this Big Book Study Meeting which meets on Tuesdays at 6:30pm at the Lihu'e Lutheran Church in Lihu'e. Attendance is doing well. (On a side note, Tom R. also reported that work has begun on the Koloa Church.)

Koloa Aloha: Mathea A. reported for this South Shore Open Meeting which meets every Friday at 8:00am for the virtual meeting, and Sunday at 8:15am for the in-person meeting. This in-person meeting is held in the far West Pavilion on Po'ipu Beach, and it is growing.

Hui Ohana: Jeanne L. reported for this Wailua Open Meeting that has both in-person and virtual meetings, with different formats every day at 7:00am at Lydgate Beach Park. Jeanne L. brought their Treasurer's Report, and reported that there have been a lot of newcomer's lately. She took this opportunity to thank Benita A. for the Newcomer Packets. She also announced their Zoom Picnic which will be held on November 9, 2024. Hui Ohana provided two Scholarships, one each for the Women's Retreat and the Men's Retreat this year.

Hui Ohana Nightly Reflections: Doug H. reported for this Friday night meeting that also meets at Lydgate Beach Park, but at 6:30p. It is preceded with a potluck at 6:00pm with good food and good fellowship. The meeting is very well attending with anywhere between 20 – 25 people depending on the weather.

Sunrise Sobriety: Kathryn B. reported for this South Shore meeting that meets every day at 7:00am at Po'ipu Beach Park. They have had a lot of visitors lately. They've been pushing their Venmo account due to people not carrying cash. They, too, provided Scholarships, two total, one each, for the Women's Retreat and the Men's Retreat this year.

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North Shore Groups: Jana K. reported for all of the North Shore meeting groups. The Daily Reflections Group is maxing out, Monday nights in Kilauea's attendance is 50-60 people, and Princeville groups are huge. Hanalei groups still need support.

OLD BUSINESS:

a) Budget Assembly

Mathea A. reported on the Budget Assembly that took place on Oahu September 7 -8, 2024. There were 110 people, 90 of which were voters. The purpose was to pass the budget, which was approximately \$40,000.00. All money is now being transferred electronically instead of by hand written checks.

There was much discussion regarding whether the Hawaiian Conference should be separated throughout the islands, however it was tabled until the Election Assembly.

NEW BUSINESS:

a) Elections for Intergroup

Ann W. began with the stating that the new panel starts on January 1, 2025. Benita A. suggested we have pizza; people always show up if there's food. Kathryn B. suggested we hold the elections in December 2024. Mathea A. stated, over the years, we have typically held them in November, early December.

Tom R. made a Motion we have our Intergroup Election on December 7, 2024.

Benita A. Seconded the Motion.

All in Favor – Unanimous.

DISCUSSION ITEM(S):

None

CLOSING:

Carolyn V. Motioned to close the meeting.

Tom R. Seconded.

All in Favor – Unanimous.

The meeting was closed with the Responsibility Pledge at 11:27am.

The next meeting will be held on October 5, 2024 at 9:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Vierra

Intergroup Secretary

Addendum

Check <https://kauaiaa.org> at Announcements for further details