

Kauai Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

The Meeting was called to order by Ann W., the Intergroup Chair, at 9:37am with the Serenity Prayer. There were nine people in attendance in person, and four people in attendance on Zoom, as follows:

In Person:

Ann W.	Marcos L.	Carolyn V.	Jim D.	Jenn D.	Benita A.
Jeanne L.	Shoshanah B.	Kathryn B.			

ZOOM:

Blondy M.	David	Lori S.	Mike T.
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SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Ann W. entertained a Motion to Approve the May 4, 2024 Kauai AA Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes as distributed by email.

Jeanne L. Motioned to approve the Minutes.

Benita A. Seconded the Motion.

All in Favor – Unanimous.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Ann W. provided the Treasurer's report for Tom R. for the month of June 2024, as follows:

Income	\$3,901.25
Expenses	\$1,653.33
Balance	\$6,888.95
Prudent Reserve	\$1,300.00
Operating Balance	\$5,588.95

There was a little discrepancy in the checkbook whereas Hui Ohana mistakenly wrote two checks in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Intergroup; one of the checks was supposed to go to District. Tom R. reimbursed the \$1,000.00 back to Hui Ohana.

Ann W. entertained a Motion to approve the June 2024 Treasurer's Report.

Benita A. Motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Carolyn V. Seconded the Motion.

All in Favor – Unanimous.

COMMITTEES:

Events: Mike T. arrived into the meeting a little late via ZOOM, therefore the first item discussed was the Roundup Event scheduled to take place, starting on Thursday, June 6th with a Potluck, through Sunday, June 9th, 2024. Day Passes are \$30.00, and children under 17 can attend free of cost.

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Shoshanah B. announced the Labor Day Event, being hosted by the Waimea Group, happening on Labor Day, Monday, September 2nd, 2024, at the Waimea Plantation Pavilions at Salt Pond Beach Park. Setup to start at 9am, the Event to take place from 11am – 3pm.

District: Jim D., Alternate DCM, reported for District. Jim directed us to take a look at the last page of the GIS for a quick view of “Where We Are Headed”. This group is in its last quarter. We need to do our elections in early September; Area is conducting their elections in October. We need to start our discussions now.

Our Delegate, Tommy G., is coming to Kauai on July 20, 2024, for the Delegate Report Back Event to be held at Hanamaulu Beach Park at the Pavilion, from 10am – 2pm. There will be no District Meeting that day. Anastasia will Chair this Event.

Ann W. provided the Intergroup attendees with a brief summary of the AA hierarchy, i.e., District, Area, etc., there are 93 Delegates in the US that attend the General Services Conference in New York once a year for a week, our Delegate reports back by traveling to each Hawaii District (Kauai is the only Island that has only 1 District; Maui has 3 Districts; Oahu has 7), to share his report and tasks for our Area. This is a very time consuming process for our Delegate and our attendance and gratitude is much appreciated. There will be food at this Event.

Other important upcoming Events that Jim D. shared are:

- The 90th Anniversary of AA is the 1st weekend in July 2025.
- In July 2026, Kanani will be Hosting as the Chair for PRAASA on Oahu and it will also be virtual.

GIS: Ann W. reported for this Committee and brought the newly printed June GIS. Pursuant to inquiries made last month, Ann W. reported that there are 150 people on the GIS website distribution list. Instructions to join this list are located on the GIS, as well as the instructions to get on the Birthday Announcement list. There was a comment regarding the need to change the Website Chair from Aaron to Charlie S.

Hotline: Ann W. reported for Sean G. The Hotline is still getting calls, and it persistently ebbs and flows.

Literature: Benita A. reported that she and Jeanne L. have conducted a new inventory and have been preparing Newcomer Packets, which were much needed. There is a need for a new pricelist for pamphlets since the last one was before COVID. Shoshanah B. brought up the need to update the pricelist on the Website. Jenn D. inquired about literature that explains Service Positions, i.e., GSR, etc.; Lori S. texted her a link to “Everything AA” app. Jenn D. also shared that aa.org has the Big Book and the 12x12 online. And **very importantly**, Benita A. is asking everyone to advise their groups to refer to the GIS

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Literature Article that clearly states for their Literature people to PLEASE TEXT FIRST so she knows it's a Literature Request.

Schedules: Nothing to report.

Website: Carolyn V., Alternate Website Chair, reported that Charlie S. will be off Island for the entire month of July, so she will be filling in as Website Chair.

IGR REPORTS:

Hui Ohana: Jeanne L. reported for this Wailua Open Meeting Group that has both an in-person and virtual meeting with different formats every day at 7:00am, at Lydgate Park. All meetings are well attended, anywhere from 12-30 people. Their Service positions are currently rotating, they get a lot of tourists, and they are a very loyal group. The Birthday Meetings are doing very well, 50+ people, with a lot of Birthdays and sobriety. Doug has started a Friday night BBQ meeting, with the BBQ at 5pm, meeting at 6pm. Service Positions are being filled as needed, and this meeting will be added to the Schedule at a later date. Jim D. mentioned that there is a process for new meetings to maintain structure, formality and unity. Ann W. asked if this meeting is an extension of Hui Ohana(?) and if a group decides they want to make a change to their meetings, they need to have a group conscience and make a decision. Much discussion followed.

Sunrise Sobriety: Kathryn B. reported for this South Shore Open Meeting, which meets every day at 7:00am, at Po'ipu Beach Park; it's also a Zoom meeting. This is a literature based meeting with regular attendance and a lot of newcomers. They are planning a 4th of July Panel of Sponsorship Brunch with Food (Potluck) from 9am – 11am on Thursday, July 4th, 2024. They will put this Event Request through Mike T., the Events Chair.

Whiskey and Milk Stick Meeting: Lori S. reported for this South Shore Meeting, which meets on Wednesdays at 7:30pm, at the Salvation Army in Koloa. They've had several newcomers lately.

Na Wahine Ku Pono: Lori S. reported for this South Shore Closed Women's Meeting, which meets on Mondays at 5pm, at the Church at Koloa. She is the Intergroup Rep, they have a GSR, and the attendance is at about 20+ people. They also have an online 5pm ZOOM presence every day.

Waimea Canyon: Shoshana B. reported for these 3 West Side, Waimea Canyon Group Meetings. They meet at 5:30pm Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at the Waimea Plantation Cottages at Salt Pond Beach Park. The last Friday of the month is a Potluck and Birthday celebration. The Potluck is always well attended.

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Happy Hour: Jim D. reported for this Lihu'e Open Meeting, which meets on Wednesdays (Big Book) and on Thursdays (12x12) at 5pm, at Nawiliwili Beach Park. The Thursday meeting is not listed on the Schedule or the Chair due to lack of attendance or weather. They've recently had some people from the ships attend. These meetings still need support but it's getting better.

Koloa Aloha: Ann W. reported for this South Shore Open Meeting, which meets every Friday, 8:00am virtual meeting, and Sunday, 8:15am in-person meeting. This in-person meeting is held in the far West Pavilion on Po'ipu Beach. Approximately 1/3 of the virtual participants are not on Island. They're doing well and their Service positions are filled. Both meetings have good attendance.

OLD BUSINESS:

a) No Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

a) Proposal – Combine Intergroup and District Meetings

Ann W. provided an overview for this proposal. For your information, all of England has only one entity. Jim D. interjected on the reason for the proposal.

Kathryn B. stated this same conversation goes on all over the country and feels Intergroup needs to exist separately.

Benita A. suggested this needs to be determined before the next election.

Jeanne L. stated it was an item of New Business at their Hui Ohana Business Meeting, and people felt it made sense to combine them.

Carolyn V. stated that the nuts and bolts of each group need to be clearly identified, then clearly defined how the meeting would work to address the "like" subject matters, and the different subject matters, i.e., "how is the meeting going to take place effectively?"

Marcos L. brought up the Bylaws for each group; discussion on this topic between both parties should take place.

Shoshanah B. stated that, if we were to combine the meetings, we would have more man power.

Marcos L. suggested the GSR's bring the topic to their Home Groups, which brings in the attraction and unity; and suggested doing the Bylaws by Section.

Ann W. stated there ARE currently written Bylaws for both entities. Not all District Positions are filled.

Jim D. provided a written proposal (see addendum).

Ann W. Inquired as to Next Steps:

- District and Intergroup need to meet and discuss further
- Jenn D. suggested a steering committee
- Shoshanah suggested we add this item to our Agenda as Old Business for our next meeting

DISCUSSION ITEM(S):

a) No Discussion Items

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Ann W. entertained a Motion to close the Meeting.

Carolyn V. Motioned to close the Meeting.

Benita A. Seconded the Motion.

All in Favor – Unanimous.

CLOSING: The Meeting was closed with the Responsibility Pledge at 11:47am.

The next meeting will be held on July 6, 2024 at 9:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Vierra

Kauai Intergroup Secretary

Addendum

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