

Draft Minutes for Alcoholic Anonymous
Area 17 | District 6
April 11, 2026

1. Call to order: Declaration of Unity: This we owe to A.A.'s future: To place our common welfare first; To keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives, And the lives of those to come.

Bob calls the meeting to order at 9:35am, opening with the Serenity Prayer, and Declaration of Unity.

Attendance and Quorum

Introductions followed by attendance/quorum.-

Attendance/roll call: Kathryn, IG; Anne, GIS; Kopa, GSR; Jay, CEC; Devin, GSR; Georgio, PI; Bill, Corrections; John, member; Benita, GSR; Jim, Member. Bob, DCM; Mathea, Archives; Scott, secretary.

Virtual: Christina, GSR; Carolyn, Website chair; Diane, GSR;

 14 Voting members present
 8 Majority votes required for passage
 11 Votes required for substantial

Tradition Four: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole.

1. Do I insist that there are only a few right ways of doing things in AA?
2. Does my group always consider the welfare of the rest of AA? Of nearby groups? Of Loners in Alaska? Of Internationalists miles from port? Of a group in Rome or El Salvador?
3. Do I put down other members' behavior when it is different from mine, or do I learn from it?
4. Do I always bear in mind that, to those outsiders who know I am in AA, I may to some extent represent our entire beloved Fellowship?
5. Am I willing to help a newcomer go to any lengths—his lengths, not mine—to stay sober?
6. Do I share my knowledge of AA tools with other members who may not have heard of them?

Read by Bob.

Comments: Kathryn; Bob; Jay

Concept IV: At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional “Right of Participation,” allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

- Do we understand the spiritual principles underlying the “Right of Participation”?
- What does “in reasonable proportion” mean? Do we understand when it is appropriate for A.A. paid staff to have a vote at the General Service Conference or in our local service structure?
- Do we expect that, because we are A.A. members, we should be allowed to vote at any group, even if we are not active members of that group?

Read by: Mathea;

Comments: Mathea; Bob

2. Secretary Report: Scott S.

- Need to make changes to GSR report and did not get to this yet.
- Vote for March Minutes

Motion: Benita

Seconded: Mathea

Vote: Passes unanimously

3. Treasurer's Report: JoRina.

Bob Discusses report while JoRina is unavailable this month.

- Vote to approve Treasurer’s report

Motion: Mathea

Seconded: Benita

Vote: Passes unanimously

District 6 Treasurer's Report

Group Contributions

	Dec-25	January	February	March	April	Total
	4,705.43					
Northshore Aloha #123155		35.00	35.00	35.00	30.00	135.00
3rd Tradition Group		60.00				60.00
Primary Purpose		68.00				68.00
Intergroup (KauaiAA.org, Zoom, & Chair App)		5.23	32.89			38.12
PayPal Test			5.00			5.00
BB Nooners			10.00			10.00
Princeville Hanalei Group				217.00		217.00
Koloa Aloha				100.00		100.00
Sunday Serenity				111.00		111.00
Sober Eastside Wahine				14.00		14.00
Anahola Jaywalkers					140.00	140.00
Group Contributions Total		168.23	82.89	477.00	170.00	898.12

District 6 Expenses

Expense	2026	January	February	March	April	Actual	Difference	Chair
PO Box	250.00		242.00			242.00	8.00	
PayPal Fee			0.64	0.98	4.68	6.30	(6.30)	
Office Expense	300.00		52.33			52.33	247.67	
Rent	300.00					-	300.00	
DCM Travel & Registration	1,200.00	252.60		439.61		692.21	507.79	Bob
Alt DCM Travel & Registration	500.00					-	500.00	Vacant
PRAASA Travel	1,000.00	731.53				731.53	268.47	Bob
Treatment/Accessibility	5.00					-	5.00	Vacant
Corrections	250.00					-	250.00	Bill G
Public Information (PI)	500.00		439.47			439.47	60.53	Giorgio
Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)	5.00					-	5.00	Vacant
Grapevine	5.00					-	5.00	Vacant
Garden Island Newsletter	500.00					-	500.00	Ann A.
GSR Travel	500.00	104.90				104.90	395.10	
Cooperation with the Elder Community (CEC)	200.00					-	200.00	Jay
Archives	200.00					-	200.00	Mathea
Workshops	200.00					-	200.00	
Website (GoDaddy)	165.00					-	165.00	Carolyn
Meeting App (Hostgator)	200.00	76.25				76.25	123.75	Carolyn
Zoom	175.00					-	175.00	Carolyn
Delegate Expenses	100.00					-	100.00	
Expense Total	6,555.00	1,165.28	734.44	440.59	4.68	2,344.99	4,210.01	
Prudent Reserve	1,200.00					1,200.00		
Operating Balance		2,508.38	1,856.83	1,893.24	2,058.56			
Bank Balance		3,708.38	3,056.83	3,093.24	3,258.56			
Profit or Loss							(1,446.87)	

4. Alt DCM Report: Vacant

5. Intergroup Report: Kathryn B.

IG is alive and well, and strong. Will be traveling to assembly next weekend. Requests groups to please do 7th tradition distributions as funds are needed.

6. DCM Report: Bob F.

DCM Report 4.11.26

Inform the Delegate Assembly next weekend Upcountry Maui.

I sit on the Finance Committee for Area 17, along with DCMs from all the Major Islands.

Deborah S, our Delegate also sits on the Finance Committee for the Conference. I attended a couple of On-Line meetings with Deborah and Sean F, Alternate Delegate.

Our Topics were to Review AAs Self Support Packet (Individual, Group, Area Finances interfacing with GSB), Discussing wording in the "Where Money and Spirituality Mix" and Considering a Twelve Step Workbook and Study Guide also, considering Rotating the Location of the GSC. The Workbook is a good idea for inaccessible or incarcerated Groups. The GSC per Charter will always be held in NY, but the Physical Location may change per negotiation of Costs.

Sponsorship Workshop 4.25.26 Hosted by the Princeville/Hanalei Group.

2-4 pm Old Hanalei Courthouse. They are supplying the Pizza and we are supplying the Refreshments. The format is 2 Guest Speakers, Q&A, Fellowship after.

I've attended the InterGroup meeting and Kauai Roundup. Both are well attended. Intergroup has approved upgrading our current On-Line equipment (in which we share the cost). No \$ budget has been approved. Also, Our Hotline Provider, Hawaiian Tel has new rules for participation, which revolve around a Credit line, are not resolved.

Pettie reported that Hui Ohana was splitting into 2 Groups. However, per further communication, Hui Ohana Group still undecided whether their Virtual Meeting will separate from the Face to Face Lydgate Park meeting Group. Group Conscience seems to be Neutral. More to be disclosed.

Still no interested parties in assuming the Alternate DCM for the remainder of this Panel.

Thank you for allowing me to be of Service.

Bob F

7. GSR Reports:

- **Anahola Jaywalkers:** Christina

1. Group Information

Group Name: Anahola Jaywalkers
Meeting Location(s): 3900 Kawelo St., Anahola
GSR Name/contact: Christina M. - cjmgonagle@gmail.com - 781.258.1350

2. Group Health and Activity

Changes from prior month: None
Group: Average of 13
Service Opportunities: Alternate GSR
How may District support group: None at this time
Group conscious District issues: None at this time
Announcements: None at this time

3. Financial Report (7th Tradition)

Group's Prudent Reserve \$ 150

Contribution:

District:	\$	Area:	\$
Intergroup:	\$	GSO:	\$

Notes on Finances: Collecting ~\$5 per meeting, making distributions quarterly/semi-annually due to group size - new treasurer will make distributions as needed -- *March 2026 we made a \$140 contribution**

- **Big Book Nooners (Koloa):** Jennifer D. No Present, no report. Mathea reports: increasing numbers of participants, well attended by 10-14 people now.
- **Happy Hour:** Jim reports: Continues to limp along. M,W,TH meetings. Next month, a 4th meeting will be added and will be a Tuesday 5pm step study meeting as the Salvation Army in Lihue. Have made some changes to format and are considering going back to the old format, or a new format.
- **Hui `Ohana/ Hui Ohana Virtual:** Kopa. Weather has caused an in person attendance lull. Working through some things with online vs in person
- **Kapa'a nooners:** Heather. Jay reports last group conscious meeting decided to make GSR travel a group expense.

No new information to report

- **Koloa Aloha:** Devin: Solid attendance over the last month. They are not sending anyone

to assembly next weekend. Looking to fill alt positions.

- **Princeville-Hanalei:** Dave M

GSR Monthly Report

Report Month/Year: 4/26

1. Group Information

Group Name: Princeville/Hanalei Group

Meeting Location(s): Princeville & Hanalei

GSR Name/contact: David McEntee (808) 635-0338

2. Group Health and Activity

Changes from prior month: Great, positive & healthy

Service Opportunities: _____

How may District support group: _____

Group conscious District issues: _____

Announcements: We are having Sponsorship Workshop 5/25 2:00-4:00 at old Hanalei Court House.

3. Financial Report (7th Tradition) My group is sending me to Assembly in Maui.

Contribution:

District:	\$	<u>Ø</u>	Area:	\$	<u>Ø</u>
Intergroup:	\$	<u>Ø</u>	GSO:	\$	<u>Ø</u>

Notes on Finances: Our treasure was out of town on vacation for our business meetings

4. Other

Any other information: _____

- **Round-up:** Kathryn B.: Roundup is coming together, but lacking registrations. Next meeting is on the 20th of this month. We are looking for others to help put the Roundup together, please feel free to join us. Please register asap! Email kauairoundup@gmail.com if you have any questions or if are willing to join the planning committee.
- **Poipu beach sunrise sobriety:** Benita: group conscious just concluded. Had an issue with a member being expelled from the meeting. Three individuals mentioned involving police if this member is seen. They decided to do group inventory in the near future. It is a touchy issue and group is working through this responsibly. Group is contributing to a

PRAASA/Convention fund they have set up to help fund participation for these events.

- **Sunday Serenity:** Mike:
- **Waimea Canyon Group:** Diane. Is looking for some guidance to best show up to this position. Has made a flyer and would like to have it in the GIS. Working hard to build up the meeting format, treasury, and other aspects of the meeting. The group is working on a labor day event, which will be held at Salt Pond, Sept 7th.

8. Standing Committee Reports

- **Website Committee:** Carolyn V

Having troubles finding the website report. No current costs coming up until the end of year. JoRina is a rockstar with the website. Devin finds the report: 1052 visitors this month to the website. 75% of website visitors are mobile. JoRina has security for the website handled. Working on updating binders. Working to review procedures to ensure compliance with traditions. Discusses other billing/costs.

- **Archives:** Mathea A.

RECOUNT! With Registrar Area and GSO guidelines, and Happy Hour Group presenting their GSO letter, We now, District 6, have 23 groups, 2 other
In these 23 groups and 2 unregistered entities,, regardless of GSO classification, we have a total of 79 meetings per week on the island with 58 meetings in person and 21 virtual meetings. Archives information for Kauai is posted in an archives section on our website.

- **Cooperation with the Elder Community (CEC):** Jay Y

Not much for report today. Funded 3 year subscription for Grapevine for one organization. Has a receipt which will be given to the treasurer next month.

- **Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC):**
- **Corrections:** Bill G

Not much change from last month. Have been able to attend meeting at the facility now after some troubles due to facility policy regarding weather. Training date is TBD to train for those wishing to be approved to go into the jail. Corrections are good for literature for now. Working a bridging the gap program with jail to help those inmates reentering the community.

- **Grapevine:** Vacant
- **GIS:** Anne

Changed some formatting with email. Ordered 100 copies of April newsletter. Printing 50 additional copies due to need. Would like feedback if we're printing too many. Cost discrepancies to resolve with the printing company, which she is working to resolve. Received a report related to archives that would like to get online on our website. Color edition can be found on website.

- **Public Information:** Giorgio

Got new brochures

Has a bunch of stuffs in the works. Radio, posters, QR codes, Buses, and more.

Please reach out if you're willing to help participate in the PI initiatives, your support is needed! Asking who could help support the purchase of the Spanish version of grapevine. Please share in your groups, if anyone is spanish speaking and would like to help Giorgio with starting spanish speaking meeting, please have them reach out.

- **Treatment Settings / Special Needs:** Vacant

9. Old Business:

- Giorgio - Spanish Meeting. Discussed with PI

- Anything new on Founder's day? The date is June 10th, a Wednesday.

10. New Business:

- Equipment - Devin. Discuss possible upgrade of equipment. Today is not a great example as working off Devin's Macbook. The Owl is expensive, and we have a possible opportunity to buy JoRina's Owl equipment. Discusses the possible need for a technology position within the website committee, or at district, and would recommend this be a voting position. Mathea mentions other areas/districts are doing this, separating website and technology to be their own position with their own budget. JoRina mentions the technology is about including and enhancing. Our reach is better if we are able to include a hybrid option.
- Jim discusses the idea of possibly doing away with intergroup. Jay speaks in favor and asks us to have an open mind. Kathryn mentions that IG voted on this in the recent past and it was voted down. Jim disagrees with a vote occurring.

11. GSR/District concerns:

- Open Discussion
- All standing committees could use additional participation to build out an actual committee.

12. Announcements/What to take back:

- **Inform the Delegate:** April 18-19. Hosted by District 5, Maui. Registration form available on Area website (area17aa.org).
- **HICYPAA Hike & Beach Day:** April 18. Shipwreck's Beach
- **Women's Retreat:** April 24-27, 2026. Hale Koa Kokee.
- **Sponsorship Workshop:** April 25, 2026 2-4PM. Old Hanalei Court House, 5-5370 Kuhio Hwy, Hanalei, HI. Pizza will be provided.
- **2026 Spring Assembly Fund Raiser:** April 25, 2026. 12:30-3:00. Lihue Lutheran Church. 4602 Hoomana Rd, Lihue.
- **General Service Conference:** April 27-May 3, 2026. New York, NY
- **Kauai Roundup:** May 22-24, 2026. Kahili Mountain Park. 2-4035 Kaumualii Hwy, Koloa, HI. Registration at www.kauairoundup.org.
- **Founders Day:** June 10, 2026. No other info at this time.
- **Women's Retreat:** September 11-14. More info to come.
- **63rd Annual Hawaii Convention** at Waikiki Beach Marriott. October 29 - Nov. 1. More information and registration at <https://www.annualhawaiiConvention.com/>
- **HICYPAA 26 on Kauai:** September 18 - 20th. Hale Koa, Kokee State Park (13 mile marker on Koke'e Road). Pre-register \$60 per person.
- Visit our Area 17's website (area17aa.org) and our District 6 website (<https://kauaiaa.org/>) for the most up to date list of announcements/events.

13. Meeting Adjourned: Motion needed. Close with Responsibility pledge:

"I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible."

Motion to close made by Bill, Seconded by Jay. Passes unanimously. We close at 11:29 with the responsibility pledge.

Next District Meeting will be held on May 16, 2026 at 9:30 am at the Lihue Lutheran Church, Conference Room, 4602 Ho'omana Rd, Lihue, HI 96766