

## **WEST HAWAI'I DISTRICT 8 MEETING MINUTES– June 19th, 2020 - Zoom meeting due to Coronavirus**

**Call To Order.** The meeting was called to order at 5:43 and opened with the Serenity Prayer. Instructions and directions around the Zoom platform were shared.

**Introductions and Birthdays, Members Present.** Jeannie, Cyrus, Andre, Dustin, Gretchen, Dee, Amanda, Catherine, Sonya, Jeannine, Tommy, Elizabeth, Ray, Cheryl (Bday), Jaisy, Donna, Dave, Bethany, Cathie Ann (Bday)

**Tradition 6.** Jaisy

**Concept VI.** Dustin

**Robert Rules of Order.** Members were asked to follow these rules and keep all shares to 2 minutes.

**Establish Quorum.** A quorum was established with 17 voting members. The quorum is 9.

**Secretary Report.** The Chair called for nominations for the secretary position which is currently open. Cathie Ann volunteered and no other members came forward. It was moved that Cathie Ann be voted in as Recording Secretary. Motion passed. A big mahalo goes out to Donna for stepping in while we were without a secretary.

**Treasurer Report.** Dave gave the report which was posted for review and comments. He stated that there were group contributions in the amount of \$624, expenses in the amount of \$213.04 with a working balance of \$1,693.16. No questions were forthcoming. It was moved (Dee/Cyrus) that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented. Motion passed.

### **Old Or Unfinished Business.**

Recording Secretary. The position has been filled by Cathie Ann.

May Committee Meeting. A few of our members attended. Jeannine shared that she felt that she learned a lot about the report and found it interesting. She stated she was glad she had attended.

7th Tradition. Better to send to the entities sooner than later.

### **New Business:**

2021 Hawai'i Area Proposed Budget. Holly, DCM for Puna District will be presenting the budget to our GSR via a virtual meeting on July 18 at 6 pm. **Please share with your groups as soon as possible and get questions to be answered at the July 24 Zoom meeting.** Tommy added that the documents to review are: Proposed Budget includes a 2-page narrative, Budget - 4 pages with numbers, the next four pages are explanations.

Delegate Report Back: Coleen, our Hawai'i Delegate will do a virtual report back via the zoom platform. Date and time to be determined. Many of the agenda items at the General Service Conference were delayed until next year.

Virtual Budget Assembly. August 29 & 30, 2020. 6 hours on Saturday and 4 hours on Sunday. When invited to a Zoom meeting, please click on the link in email to join.

**Standing Committee Reports.** Please email all group/GSR reports and standing committee reports to the secretary in the body of the email. (manamaiakua@hawaii.rr.com)

Archives - Amanda, Good time to document what group is doing during these times! See report below. Tommy shared that you can go back electronically on District 8 archives page. See report below.

PI - Dee, DUI classes continuing, wearing masks, going to become more frequent 3 or 4 a month

Grapevine - Elizabeth, Writing workshop July 18, 9 - 10:30 am flyer on WHAA.ORG She has lots of books and materials

Web Site Liaison - Cheryl, not much going on but we are here willing to do what we can to help

Corrections - Chuck, See Report below.

Treatment - need Chair

**GSR/Home Group Reports and Group Re-openings.** Jeannie spoke to Mayor Kim's document on re-opening with care. She also stated that New York sent out an email with many important aspects to consider. She stressed the fact that it takes planning before re-opening and those plans need to be put in place first. The laws set forth must be followed. Updates from groups are as follows:

Angela - Nooners, face to face, wear masks

Gretchen - Seniors in Sobriety, continue with zoom, taking it week by week

Jaisy - Mana of the Round Table, meeting in person, church limiting to 15 people (if they exceed old-timers will leave and let newcomers stay).

Ray - Drydock/Basket Case, waiting for harbor to let them know. No in-person meetings at this time.

Basket Case Zoom meeting at 7pm on Sundays

Cyrus - Waimea Winners, Zoom meetings 3 times a week

Andre - Kalaoa, re-opening at church with plan submitted to church. Rules in place and followed by taking temp, answering 3 health questions, wearing masks, sanitizing. Homegroup members will leave if overflow.

Jeannine - Room Full of Miracles, church has not reopened, no one is in a hurry.

Sonya - Aloha Mana, continuing Zoom. Compliant with Living Stones Church. Some people meeting at someone's home

Elizabeth - Wonderful Women of Waimea/Dawn Patrol, WWW Zoom on Saturday, not meeting Tuesdays. Dawn Patrol continues with Zoom.

Tom - Daily Reprieve, Zoom meetings continuing, doing it by the book. Some members are meeting at the park.

**Please let Blair (Webmaster) know directly of changes to be posted on the Central Office website. Do not contact Sonya or Jeannie.**

**Central Office Chair Report.** Catherine stated alive and well but small participation at the last meeting. Looking at reopening the office from 10-2, every day starting July 1.

**Alternate DCM Report.** Donna stated nothing to report.

**DCM Report: See the report below. Suggested July meeting be moved to the following week, July 24.**

**Next District Meeting – Friday, July 24th, 2020 @ 5:30 pm**

**Takebacks:**

- Hawai'i Area 17 2021 Proposed Budget will be presented via a virtual meeting on Saturday, July 18th at 6 pm. All are welcome.
- GSRs present the area budget to home groups as soon as possible.
- Delegate Report Back: Coleen, our Hawai'i Delegate will do a virtual report back via the zoom platform. Date and time to be determined.
- Virtual Budget Assembly. August 29 & 30, 2020. 6 hours on Saturday and 4 hours on Sunday. When invited to a Zoom meeting, please click on the link in the email to join.
- 7th Tradition Contributions through Venmo account even if doing face-to-face meetings to increase contributions. Send out to the entities more often.
- Hawai'i Area is still getting checks made out incorrectly. Please make checks or money orders payable to **Hawai'i Area Committee** and send to Hawaii Area Committee, PO Box 1413 Honolulu, HI 96806.
- 2020 International Convention - A virtual Experience - Coming Soon in July 2020. Go to [aa.org](http://aa.org) for up to date information on the convention.
- Go to West Hawai'i Central Office website for the most up to date meeting information: [westhawaiiiaa.org](http://westhawaiiiaa.org)
- Central Office re-opening 5 days a week starting July 1. The hours are 10 - 2.

**Reminder:** Again, please email all group/GSR reports and standing committee reports to Cathie in the body of the email. ([manamaiakua@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:manamaiakua@hawaii.rr.com))

**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.

**Adjourned.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 PM with thanks to all for attending.

**Reports:**Corrections Committee Report 6/19/20

Hope this finds a smile! Our Corrections Team remains intact & ready to take our Program into Kulani & Hale Nani (both Men's & Women's). We have adequate materials (miniature Big Books & Twelve & Twelves) for distribution from your generous past budget allotments. Donations of past issues of the Grapevine are also in good supply (yes, please keep them coming).

The Department of Public Safety has not yet released a clearance date for us to resume our regular Tuesday visits to Hale Nani &/or Saturdays @ Kulani.

Mahalo for your support & service!

Chuck H  
Corrections Chair

### Archives Report 6/19/2020

- We are looking to document AA members and their Home Group or individual experience of being a member of AA during this pandemic.
- HOME GROUP PANDEMIC COVID-19 EXPERIENCE FORM: please fill out so we can reflect personal experiences staying sober during the COVID-19 pandemic and how different groups have responded: what has been struggles and benefits of doing ZOOM meetings
- If you feel motivated and just want to share your personal experience as a member of District 8 during the COVID -19 pandemic please email it to me with subject line COVID-ARCHIVES.

Mahalo,  
Amanda H  
Archives Chair

### DCM Report 6/19/2020

Recently I attended an Oahu Intergroup discussion meeting about "Reopening Meetings" and it was very informative. Bob H, our past Delegate, hosted and 100 people were in attendance. Many expressed the importance of reopening with care. We discussed our Traditions, liability issues, how to handle 7th tradition collection, contact tracing protocol if a member comes down with COVID-19, safe practices, and many other important aspects of how to reopen safely for our members, their families, the group, AA as a whole and our local community. I attached a few of the documents that were shared that may help groups with how to proceed in reopening.

The governor has left many of the decisions up to the mayors of each island. Mayor Kim's new Rule 8 for Big Island, effective June 15th states on page 3, Section C - Gatherings:

- "Indoor gatherings of groups of up to 10 persons are permitted with a maximum of 50 people provided that physical distancing and safe practices can be maintained unless a greater amount of people are permitted under this rule.
- Outdoor gatherings of groups of up to 10 persons are permitted with a maximum of 100 people provided that physical distancing and safe practices can be maintained unless a greater amount of people are permitted under this rule."

Here is the link to the document:

[https://governor.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/2006115-COH\\_Mayors-COVID-19-Emergency-Rule-No.-8-distribution-signed.pdf](https://governor.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/2006115-COH_Mayors-COVID-19-Emergency-Rule-No.-8-distribution-signed.pdf)

I spoke with Mayor Kim's office yesterday to clarify. They said if groups are larger than 10 people they need to be separated into groups of 10, with face masks and social distancing and sanitation practices. The intent of this is if one person is sick, hopefully only 10 people would be affected rather than everyone mingling and potentially infecting 11 - 100 people.

Our hope is that our groups make informed decisions and give much consideration to safety, respect, and responsibility to those around us and beyond us.

Jeannie G  
DCM West Hawaii District 8

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