

MINUTES WEST HAWAII DISTRICT 8 – January 15, 2021 - Zoom meeting due to Coronavirus

Call to order... The meeting was called to order at 5:45 pm and opened with the “Responsibility Statement.” Instructions and directions on using the Zoom platform were shared.

Introductions and Birthdays since December 18th:

Victoria, (1/1 bday), Michelle N, Cindy, Tom O., Lyons, Jaisy, Jeannie G, Heather, Ray, Jeannine, Beth S., Eric C, Jen B., Michelle B (1/1 birthday), Selvy, Steve, Dee, Chuck, Catherine, Karen, Bonnie, Marianne, Dustin (1/2), Elizabeth, Tommy, Joe, Cheryl

Tradition 1: Dee

Concept 1: Beth

Volunteer to read Tradition 2 next month: Ray

Volunteer to read Concept 2 next month: Jeannine

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 20 voting members. The quorum is 11.

Secretary Report: The secretary presented the draft of minutes and entertained corrections/additions. None were forthcoming. Minutes accepted as presented

Treasurer Report: Heather gave the report which was also posted. She reported a beginning balance of \$4,624.89 and a balance of \$4687.15 after expenses. It was moved by Catherine that the treasurer’s report be accepted as presented, Seconded by Dee. Motion Passed.

Old or Unfinished Business:

- Founders’ Day/Delegate Report Back: June 12, 2020, Spencer Beach Park

New Business:

- Confirm Panel 71 District 8 Standing Committee Chairs: All Standing Committee Chairs were confirmed.
- Plan for Panel 71 Workshops: Members were asked for ideas on workshops. Heather suggested a Home Group Workshop, Traditions Workshop, and a Zoom Hosting/Training Workshop. Please put your name in the chat if you are interested in helping with workshops.
- Virtual Hawaii Area 17 Orientation Assembly: Was held January 9 and 10, 2021.
- PRAASA (Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly) March 5th - 7th, 2021 – Registration open, fee is \$15.00 Kerwin encouraged all GSR’s to attend.
- Service at PRAASA: If you are interested in being in service for PRAASA please email Delegate at delegate@area17aa.org. Tommy shared what PRAASA is. It is a service assembly that looks at what topics are going to be discussed at the General Convention every April.
- DCM to attend February Committee Meeting February 21 Hosted by District 12, Puna.

- Prep (Tommy) Inform the Delegate Assembly March 27 & 28, 2021 Hosted by District 10, Waikiki. Tommy shared on the Inform the Delegate Assembly and what it entails. Thank you, Tommy for your service!
- Service Committee Resources: https://aa.org/pages/en_US/aa-service-committees

Standing Committee Reports:

- Archives: Thomas O - Will be meeting with Amanda to discuss what was done in the last panel and will work with Greg O.
- Cooperation with the Elder Community: Michelle N - Looking forward to this service position. If anyone has experience and can share their experience, it would be appreciated.
- Corrections: Chuck - Plenty of printed materials and waiting on the prisons to allow them to go back in.
- Cooperation with the Professional Community: Joe R - Anxious to look over the kit, has another person on his committee and by next month hopes to have more of an update.
- Grapevine: Elizabeth-
- Mynah Bird: Beth S - Appreciates the opportunity to be of service. Karen reached out to me recently and sent me a link to the past issues of the Mynah Bird, our Area newsletter, which I am reviewing.
- Public Information: Michelle B - Will need some assistance in the next few months, especially with being on the committee and/or speaking at the DUI class.
- Treatment and Accessibilities: Philip - Visited Lokahi treatment in Waimea and has started recruiting speakers for them. Hopes to have a schedule in place by the first of February. They want speakers 9AM -10AM on Wednesdays.
- Website: Cheryl-Please look at the central office website. There is tab for West Hawaii district that has all our information on it.

GSR Standing Committee Liaison Report Back from Assemblies:

Dee - Corrections Committee - Everything is on hold. She is grateful to be on the Corrections Committee.

Elizabeth - Convention Committee - Nothing to report yet. Jeannie shared that the Hawaii Annual Convention may be held in October in person. The theme is “Without help, it is too much for us.”

Eric - Cooperation with the Elder Community.

Area Treatment- Jen

Treatment Committee

Treatment - 9 members

- Sean Treatment Chair Oahu
- Ansen GSR Oahu
- Autumn GSR Oahu
- Jamie Co-host Maui
- Jen GSR Hawaii
- Lyde GSR Oahu
- Lynda GSR Oahu
- Mike GSR Maui
- Pete GSR Maui

Topics/notes:

- Sean reviews what Treatment Committee does
- Purpose as chair for the Treatments Committee is to bridge the gap and support accessibilities.

- Purpose of the Area Treatment Committee is to let Chair know what is needed from him for our district.
- Sean asked where do we stand on islands other than Oahu as far as treatment centers?
- Asked each island how many treatment centers and what they need.
- Many islands need to take it as a takeaway and provide confirmation later.
- Not just treatment centers but also halfway houses etc. ...
- How do we get our information into Treatments centers?
- Reference Service Manual page S27 and ask Home Group to have a district Treatment Committee member.
- Since not meeting in person can we use those funds to get more pamphlets into the treatment centers? Etc. ...
- Goal is to put together 3 workshops – it is optional for GSR to participate but would like participation, but this area meeting is for you to bring information back to the groups.

Suggested Workshops:

- o How to bridge the gap
- o How to use Zoom for remote AA meetings
- o How to Help get a Temporary sponsor.
- o Public Information meetings. Video “HALT”
- o Clean and Sober house and halfway houses. >>90/90 and sponsors<<
- o Accessibility for our older Alcoholics during the pandemic so they can participate with Technology.

GSR/Home Group Reports:

Wonderful Women of Waimea – Jen: Meeting virtually on Saturdays at 9 AM. The meeting is going well, and we have a new GSR who has attended Area Assembly and the District meetings and is in the process of bringing information back to the group. Attendance is slightly down but that may be seasonal. We recently sent out our 1st quarter contributions.

Aloha Mana - Lyons: The Meetings are doing ok. We have two new secretaries, on Thursday it's Justin and on Sundays, Duane as of January. We had \$1000 dollars to give to Intergroup, Area, GSO, District. Aloha Mana has mentioned a group inventory at our next meeting on Sunday.

Dawn Patrol Kapa'au – Elizabeth. Continues to meet daily online and in person, 7am, Monday & Saturday at Kamehameha Park and other days at Kohala Baptist Church. Our recovery spans the globe, including the US, UK, Ireland, Germany, India, Australia, South Africa, Mexico, and more. It's been a joyful experience, one more thing to be grateful for this past year 🙏❤️❤️

Central Office Chair Report: Cindy

Alternate DCM Report: Catherine

DCM Report, Committee Meeting Report: Kerwin

Take Backs:

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- Inform the Delegate Assembly March 27 & 28, 2021 Hosted by District 10, Waikiki
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- 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.

- Go to the West Hawai'i Central Office website for the most up to date meeting information: westhawaiiiaa.org. All meeting changes must be sent to Greg at webmaster@westhawaiiiaa.org and must be submitted by a homegroup member.
- Indoor and Outdoor group gatherings are limited to 10 persons with face coverings, social distancing, and safe practices.

Reminder: Please email all group/GSR reports and standing committee reports to Jaisy in the body of the email. Please thank your homegroups for their 7th Tradition Contributions.

Next District Meeting – Friday, February 19 at 5:30 pm

Thank you all for participating!

Closing: 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.