Hawaii Area New Motion Submitted by: District 4

Motion:

 Have committee meetings at scheduled assemblies (during and/or before assembly time)

Intent/Purpose:

• Save Hawaii area 17 on travel costs and allow GSRs the opportunity to observe the area committee work should they choose.

We are currently spending a lot more than we are bringing in. This action would bring us closer to a balanced budget. Many other areas hold their committee meetings the night before the assembly or fit them in somewhere during the assembly.

Also GSRs would benefit from the possible experience of attending a committee meeting and possibly decided they may want to stay on at area after their term and join the committee.

Current Practice:

■ The Area Committee will meet three times in 2012 separately from the Area Assembly. Structures and Guideline 4.2 states they meet 3-5 times a year.

Passage of this motion would change the current practice of the Area. Structures and Guidelines 2.3 would need to be amended to strike "and committee meetings" from first sentence and 4.2 and 4.3 would need to be stricken in entirety.

Budgetary Impact:

■ Exact budgetary impact is variable depending on the amount of Committee meetings, locale of committee members and district in which the meetings are held. The savings if the minimum of 3 committee meetings were all held on Oahu and half of the area committee lived on Oahu would be approximately \$3,900 per year at the cost of airfare as of July 10th 2012. This is of course a ballpark but give a good feeling and an average cost per year according to my research.