

**Hawaii Area 17 Committee Meeting
Saturday February 18, 2011
Hosted by Central North Shore District 9**

8:00 - 9:00 AM Breakfast and Registration

9:05 AM Call to Order -

Serenity Prayer -

Host DCM announcements - Eric

Thanks to Tom, Mitzi, Steve, Cruz, Vicki for breakfast - did a great job and I had nothing to do with it.

George and Enok (GSRS from district) helped put things together

Diane secured the facility

We are short on tables, but have plenty of chairs so make yourself comfortable as best you can.

AA Birthdays since last time we met: Connie 2/4 22 years, Hugh 1/30 16 years

New members to committee

Past Delegates: Dick M (also Oahu Central Office manager), Scott C

Reading - Concept 2 & Tradition 2 including checklist

Concept II from Illustrated Concepts pamphlet - read by Ken K. (Alt Delegate)

Concept II Checklist - Chris (PI Chair)

Tradition II from the Traditions Illustrated pamphlet - Moises (DCM 6)

Tradition II Checklist - Ken (DCM 12)

9:15 AM Area Officers' Reports

Secretary - Bob for Coleen - Aloha everyone. Coleen wishes she could be here. Please review the minutes of the May committee meeting. Motion to approve. Ken made motion, Tommy seconded motion. Minutes accepted.

Treasurer - Sheri - Did everyone get 2/15 treasurer's report? Numbers explained. See handouts - \$12,471.04 in bank. Income \$2,695.32. Expenditures \$9,370.89. Net revenues -\$6,675.57 Please make sure you book your flights now to save money.

**TREASURER'S REPORT
HAWAII AREA 17
February 15, 2012**

Aloha Panel 61 trusted servants,

As of February 15, 2012 Hawaii Area funds are as follows:

Operating Funds	\$ 4,580.26
Prudent Reserve	\$ 5,000.00
Prepaid GSC expenses (will be reimbursed)	940.78
Reserve for Computer Equipment	\$ 1,250.00
Reserve for International Convention	\$ 700.00
Total cash in bank	\$ 12,471.04

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Total Expenditures	\$ 9,370.89
Net Revenues	-\$ 6,675.57

Just as it was last year, the expenditures in the first part of the year are high. The costs of the General Service Conference, PRAASA, two Assemblies and one Committee Meeting all come due in the first four months of the year.

Officers and standing committee chairs traveling to Oahu for the Inform the Delegate Assembly or to Maui for the May Committee Meeting, please book your flights. If you would like me to put your travel costs on the area debit card, please talk to me and we can do this together! We can even take care of the Budget Assembly, Election Assembly and the October Committee Meeting, if you know when you are able to travel.

Today at lunch, the Finance Committee (Ken, Ed, Moises, Bob, and myself), will meet and put together the finishing touches on a split card we are designing for Area 17. We will also be asking all Standing Committee Chairs about their estimated budgetary needs for 2013. Although there will probably be a new trusted servant as your Committee chair, please do your best to figure out their needs for next year.

Our very lives, as ex-problem drinkers, depend upon our constant thought of others and how we may help meet their needs. Alcoholics Anonymous—page 20

In love and service,
Sheri B, Area Treasurer, Panel 61
Motion made and seconded - minutes accepted.

Registrar - Bob for Adina - explained sign-in sheet and confidential contact sheet

Alternate Delegate - Ken -

Archives - ad hoc committee on archives. Archives are being moved to Kaimuki to cut down on costs. This will be done on 2/25 - need help moving from Kapolei. Oahu Young People in AA will be helping. Scott C. will be helping.

DCMS - if you have new GSRS and they need a GSR handbook and S&G please pick them up later

Convention Steering Committee meeting - excellent attendance for the first meeting this year

Structures and Guidelines - can we meet during lunch. Final report will be given at the next assembly

- a. Question - Suzanne - how can we help - call Ken - there will be specific time for being in Kaimuki and in Kapolei - contact Ken for details
- b. Question - Clifford - how much are we saving? \$258.12 is the new cost, \$400.52 is the old cost

Alternate Chair - Bob -

Aloha and thank you for letting serve as your Area 17 Alternate Chair. As it hasn't been that long since we last met I don't have a lot to report.

Annual Hawaii Convention:

The Annual Hawaii Convention committee's work on the upcoming 2012 convention continues apace and we are looking forward to the best convention yet. The committee remains committed to being responsive to the wishes of Hawaii's AA community. Please continue to let us know how we are doing and what we can do better.

Oahu Intergroup:

I've been hard at work with the Oahu Intergroup's Ad Hoc By-Laws Committee. We've recently completed drafting many of recommendations for the job description of the Oahu Central Office Manager position including salary recommendations. Next we will be working on a draft of the by-laws to insure they do not conflict, as they currently do, with the central office manager's job description. We will be presenting our findings at the April Oahu Intergroup meeting.

Other big news for the Oahu Intergroup includes the move to Palama Settlement. The lease is up at our current University Avenue location at the end of this month and thanks to a lot of research done by the steering committee and consensus amongst the groups who participate at Intergroup we are looking forward to the move. The new location promises to be much better location for us, as it is more centrally located, allows longer hours, and has a better parking situation.

Finally, at the February Oahu Intergroup meeting, past delegate Scott C. presided over the Third Legacy election of Connie F. as the new Oahu Intergroup Vice Chair. Thanks to everyone who stood for service and congratulations to Connie.

Summary:

I will also be working on the 'how to host an assembly or committee meeting' document over the coming months, now that I have a bit of experience as Alternate Chair. Please continue for forward any suggestions or experiences you have regarding what works and what doesn't for incorporation.

Thank you so much for letting me serve.

Chair - Cheryl -

Have reviewed written inventory responses as well as small group summaries and compiled a summary of each.

I've been attending West Hawaii intergroup and District 8 business meetings. I've been working with Ken on the archives move. A big thank you to Ken for all the work he's done in a short amount of time. We will be saving \$140+ per month.

Asked for a moment of silence for Stan B. (he and his wife Marion started the Seniors in Sobriety conference and the CEC committee here). [SILENCE]. Thank you.

9:45 AM Delegate Report, Linda McD - Report and assignment of topics for 'Inform the Delegate' Assembly. (I also attend Oahu Intergroup - welcome to Connie, the new vice chair)

Earlier this month, I emailed out an announcement that the A.A. Grapevine, Inc. is seeking qualified persons for non-trustee director vacancies on its board that may become available to be filled for following the General Service Conference next year in 2013. Resumes should be submitted by May 30, 2012. If you are interested, you can find the information either on our Area Website or the GSO Website, aa.org.

At this time, there is no additional news from GSO due to the intense involvement of everyone in putting together the Final Conference Agenda. You will find the full Conference Agenda and all background on the CDs I brought for you. I would like to underline the fact that much of this information contains confidential A.A. documents. Distribution is limited to A.A. members, since they contain members' full names and addresses. Please do not post the information anywhere where it might be accessed by the public, such as Websites and Bulletin Boards. Please treat the materials that are entrusted to you with all due care and respect.

The Conference process allows for each area delegate to bring his or her area's conscience to the Conference and share it with the other members. Prior to the GSC in April (22nd-28th), Conference delegates review the background provided and take time to listen to the local discussion about these items, which is what we will be doing April 14th-15th. During Conference week, all points of view can be expressed during discussions and debate on Agenda items, allowing Conference members to make informed decisions. This way, a loving God "may express Himself in our group conscience."

In addition to discussing 14 Agenda Items at the April Assembly, we will also discuss the same workshop topics that the Conference members will discuss later in April. With the help of our standing committee chairs we will break into small groups to discuss the topic and then report back to the assembly a summary from each group. Hopefully we will have time for an open discussion with the whole assembly. Please feel free to discuss the topics before the assembly so we can all be well informed. Hard copies are available for you this weekend, and I'll ask Hugh C to post it on our Website.

As for the topic presentations, each district will have ten minutes followed by open mic comments and summary from the delegate. You may present the assigned agenda item in any format the district members choose, such as a skit, panel discussion, etc. as long as it is within the 10-minute time allotment. I have also brought a complete list of agenda assignments for your reference, so you may want to fill in the district numbers as they are pulled from the hat.

Submitted with love and service, Linda McD.

Topics assigned - Ed pulled numbers from the hat to assign districts to agenda items. A couple of items were pre-assigned - see handout for actual questions and assignments.

Theme of Conference: Anonymity our Spiritual Responsibility in the Digital Age

- i. Agenda Item 1: District 3 Leeward (pre-assigned) - Determine the inventory questions listed in the "Inventory Plan" which were approved by the 2011 G.S.C., that will be discussed each year for the 2013,2014,2015 General Service Conferences
- ii. Agenda Item 2 District 2 Honolulu - Consider suggestions to increase the Conference Delegate Fee.
- iii. Agenda Item 3 District 17 Waianae - Review the current \$3,000 dollar limit on annual individual contributions and one-time bequests.
- iv. Agenda Item 4 District 6 Kauai - Review proposed Self-Support Kit.
- v. Agenda Item 5 District 4 Windward - Review draft documents of welf-support/financial talking points to be used by the Fellowship.
- vi. Agenda Item 6 District 8 West Hawaii (pre-assigned) - Consider a review of continuing financial commitment to La Viña per 2001 General Service Conference Advisory Action that "La Viña continue to be published by the A.A. Grapevine and supported by the General Service Board as a service to the fellowship."
- vii. Agenda Item 7 District 12 Puna - Consider proposal for A.A. Grapevine's Audio Strategy.
- viii. Agenda Item 8 District 13 Tri-Island - Consider incorporating the service responsibilities and duties of the service position "Grapevine Representative" in the Service responsibilities and duties of the General Service Representative."
- ix. Agenda Item 9 District 10 Waikiki (given to Bob for Alan) - Discuss a suggestion for revision of the pamphlet "Circles of Love and Service."
- x. Agenda Item 10 District 11 Kihei - Discuss request to add text from the dust jacket of the Third Edition of the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous, to the dust jacket of the 4th Edition of the Big Book.
- xi. Agenda Item 11 District 7 East Hawaii - Consider a request to add the A.A. Preamble to the front inside pages of the "Big Book", Alcoholics Anonymous.
- xii. Agenda Item 12 District 9 Central North Shore - Consider a suggestion that A.A. establish a presence on Facebook for the purpose of providing information about A.A. to the public; this presence would serve as an informational resource only, with no interpersonal communication capabilities.

- xiii. Agenda Item 13 District 5 No Ka ` Oi -Discuss request related to adding language referring to current media to Tradition Eleven.
- xiv. Agenda Item 14 District 1 Diamond Head - Discuss a suggestion to develop a pamphlet for the alcoholic with mental illness.

10:05 AM Break

10:25 AM Questions/Announcements:

Linda - Delegate - workshop topics for the Inform the Delegate Assembly. The topics for the workshop are the same topics that will be used at the Conference. We will be breaking up into groups of 7-10 people, standing committee chair will facilitate - then come back together and present our discussion from each small group - then an open mic discussion.

Question - Jim - will each group discuss all of the topics? Yes, each group will discuss the same topics. This is the same process as that used at the conference

Question - Chris - is there background material? No, there is no background information

Question - Suzanne - don't understand how at least one topic relates to the theme, why is that? All the topics are related to our spiritual principles if not the theme specifically.

Homestay for Inform the Delegate (April) - Kevin

Food will be great - Chris D has served us over 10 years

Homestay coordinator (David and Sandy) have moved to Big Island. The new coordinator doesn't know a lot of folks yet so I'd like to pass around a homestay sign-up for Oahu people who can offer homestay during the assembly

10:25 AM Area Inventory - Cheryl -

Read through sheets (see handouts)

Summary of Written Inventory (read from handout) - notes here were emphasized or in addition to handout...

Communication comes up over and over again as something the body would like to see improved.

More opportunities for workshops

Action items for chairs

Are we booking our airline flights early to save money? Asked, without showing hands, how many people booked early for this committee meeting?

Roundtable Summary (read from handout) - notes here were emphasized for in addition to handout...

Correction: Item #2 - "Committee members need to be more involved (not committee meetings need to be).

Make assemblies shorter by compressing assemblies/committee meetings

Comments/Action Items

Dick M - South Pacific Group/Central Office Manager - communications - same problem at Oahu Intergroup only about 25 groups participate. Many more representatives show up at the Central Office for literature. Why couldn't we distribute Mynah Birds along with literature? We could distribute fliers with Area information and needs on it. This would be a one or two page thing to give out to the groups. That seems to me to get information pushed out that we aren't using right now. We will start passing out Mynah Birds

Zeke - Chair Convention Committee - I'm always about the dollar. The information I received today is a lot of paper and is expensive. I think we overkill the paperwork. Just the contact list alone costs money but I don't

carry it around - I put it in my phone. Why is the delegate report in the Mynah Bird and passed out? We (convention committee) will be using Skype. Until we start doing this sort of thing we won't see any outcome. We need to save money.

Linda - Delegate - Follow-up on why there is so much paper. We have a number of people who do not have internet access. It's hard to figure out how many copies to print to make sure we get things to everyone. Thank you for your comments on that. One of the themes in the written and discussion group summaries is communication. I encourage the DCMS to help the GSRs take responsibilities in that area. Make sure the GSRs know what their responsibilities are. I want to make a quick comment on the archives. Thanks for letting me be of service. I was grateful to have that commitment recently. There is an announcement on the website that's been up since the September assembly. It seems to me that for 20 years no one cared what was in the archives and now people are coming forward with opinions which are based on incorrect information. We should all be responsible for being informed.

Kathy - Mynah Bird Chair - thanked officers for doing the inventory. I thought it was successful and gave me a lot of direction. I'm not going to defend it but I dare anyone to take the responsibility to take on this job. I asked Cheryl to include the Mynah Bird in the inventory. Ted K. wrote an article on the history of the Mynah Bird. The delegates report was included because I want this to get out to our groups. Meeting makers go to meetings but that seems to be about all they do. I made print copies this time because I want this to get out. I'm sure we have very talented members in our groups and I hope they can do that job there. The puzzle isn't coming back. For me, let's get people interested in doing general service and not doing a puzzle. I'll take anything you send in.

Sheri - Treasurer - What I noticed when Cheryl was reading this. There was laughter when the suggestion to let GSRs pick their own committees instead of simply assigning them. I might have become resentful if I'd been assigned. What is their recourse if they don't like their committee?

Connie F. - Vice Chair Oahu Intergroup - as a film maker digitizing archives and selling off originals -never lose your originals, digital formats change all the time. Formats change and they are not always consistent. The other thing I was thinking about as far as displaying archives is, will there be space at the central office to show archives or even a video clip of what's available. It's the kind of stuff I do in other areas. What is the purpose of the website? I was able to get everything I needed when before I got here. But with all the phone stuff I find iphone apps useful. Finding a website isn't the easiest way. Maybe we could have an iphone app - that has updates and announcements -it's kind of a new idea. GPS locations are very useful for finding meetings.

Cheryl - Chair - a couple of things I realized when I was going over this is that there were suggestions for things we are already doing or have already done. We are all learning our jobs. The very first assembly is an orientation assembly. We spend two whole days orienting people. We had a concepts panel. To just step into something is difficult and we don't all remember everything that we've heard, not even from this morning. I thought it might be good to run through some of the items in the service manual about what the DCMS do - they are the link between area and the DCM. I went to PRAASA workshops and roundtables for DCMS and officers. We are the link in the chain. We connect GSRs to area, etc. Hugh will do a bit on the website. When you get something from me or the delegate for the GSRs, it is for you to get them to the GSRs. It does not go directly to the GSRs. We do not have a mailing list with every GSR. The 'area all' list does not go to everyone at this time. The DCMS need to pass information up to the GSRs. Showed diagram in Service Manual...read from S32 in service manual.

Things that stuck out for me in inventory:

Communicate, respond to emails, maybe have a workshop where you can present to the assembly what it is you do. Last panel the committee chairs did a little skit communicating what they did.

Another suggestion was to have a workshop in conjunction with the committee meetings - we did that last panel and it was the standing committee chairs that started it, not the officers.

We are still looking for an archives chair and non-rotating archivist. We've reduced the cost of storage by 36%.

Opportunities to have webinars and such. Let's have people step up. Locations must have web access. I'll have volunteers try to present something at the Inform the Delegate Assemblies. Maybe we can have something at the October 13th committee meeting. That's something we want to take some action on.

In terms of the concepts and traditions, we'll try to repeat the concepts panel from the orientation assembly at the Inform the Delegate assembly.

Those are some things I'd like to see done.

One last thing on the website - Hugh will orient us today and I'll aside time at the next assembly for the GSRS.

Question for Area All mailing list? Hugh - I did add district mailing list to area all so it will go to each district. If you are a DCM and haven't given me their email addresses then please do so. There aren't that many extra people on it right now.

11:30 AM Website Review - Hugh - web chair

- c. Lights off for projected demonstration of website
- d. Showed front page of website
- e. Cheryl asked me to reintroduce folks to the website - a cursory introduction with questions at the end.
- i. Tabs at top of page
 1. AA Meetings - Central Office Links to get meeting info
 2. General Service - GSR information, S&G, Assembly and Committee meeting links
 3. Districts - Links to each district page - used Leeward District 3 as an example. If minutes are submitted I'll post them on this page.
 4. Committees - Links to every standing committee - used Convention committee
 5. Calendar - Sidebar calendar offers pop-ups about events. The calendar page is a bigger version.
 6. About page - information about website itself.
- ii. Most of the relevant information is on the front page.
 1. Panel 61 Dates and Info
 - a. All Panel 61 dates shown
 2. Upcoming Area Event - next event - by end of day it will be Inform the Delegate Assembly
- iii. At the bottom is previous area event - Currently Inventory Assembly - you can get information from previous events.
- iv. Another section for most recent announcements - it's the most recent 8 announcements - mostly by links.
- v. Sidebar
 1. Links to all officer reports
 2. Site Links to every page or things from the top
 3. Area 17 tools - login to webmail
 - a. Showed webmail login
 4. Contact lists

5. Contribution address
6. Content guidelines
7. External links
 - a. Convention
 - b. Regional forum
 - c. PRAASA
 - d. Etc
8. Recent Posts
 - a. Same as front page but accessible from any page
9. Preview window for Mynah Bird and other things.
 - a. Google Docs preview allows folks to see any format even if they do not the program - like .docx files from current Word versions.
 - b. You can download original
 - c. Garden Isle Sobriety (District 6) - Kauai's newsletter

Cheryl question - want to make it as easy as possible to read emails anywhere. I have mine forwarded to Outlook so I can read it in my normal mail. How can we facilitate this for other folks?

- vi. Answer - options for getting email from other than website
 1. Forward area email to personal email address - you won't be responding as 'xxxx@area17aa.org' - you won't be able to send to mailing lists where you are subscribed
 2. Setup an email client (Outlook, web phone, Windows Live mail) - separate account using IMAP. See 'How to Configure Email Client' on webmail login page. It will tell you how to set up your email system. If you do not understand this, call me and I'll try to walk you through it. If you have an iPhone the Apple Store can help you do this. It's going to ask you for 4 things in general...
 - a. Login (often email address)
 - b. Incoming mail service see...
 - c. **Mail Server Username:** altchair@area17aa.org
Incoming Mail Server: mail.area17aa.org **IMAP:** port 143, **POP:** port 110
Incoming Mail Server: (SSL): box441.bluehost.com **IMAP:** port 993, **POP:** port 995
Outgoing Mail Server: mail.area17aa.org (*server requires authentication*) **port 26**
Outgoing Mail Server: (SSL): box441.bluehost.com (*server requires authentication*) **port 465**
Supported Incoming Mail Protocols: POP3, POP3S (SSL/TLS), IMAP, IMAPS (SSL/TLS)
Supported Outgoing Mail Protocols: SMTP, SMTPS (SSL/TLS)

Linda - where are the GSR materials? GSR manual, S&G, See general service tab

Jack - When I try to use the email list there is something I need to download?
 I have Windows Live Mail as my email client - you probably don't have the client setup properly. You'll have to set up Windows Live Mail or Outlook.

12:00 PM Lunch (Finance Committee Meeting)

1:04 PM Standing Committee, DCM, Intergroup & Officers' Roundtables : Roundtable Discussions convened - each groups report:

DCM Roundtable Report - Tommy (West Hawaii District 8)

1. Agenda item for Inform the Delegate

Nobody wants to do them and we are really going to push and have the GSRS help their districts out
Accountability - GSRS should be part of the process and learn to be exposed to the area level and I
earn to be DCMs

2. Standing Committees at the district level

Hard to fill positions

If GSRS aren't standing for committee work can group member be persuaded. We will keep trying

3. Concept workshop was requested by a new GSR.

Not an easy one because the concepts are more difficult to understand

Bring in past delegate help

Recoveryskits.com has skits

Standing Committee Roundtable - Rochelle (CEC)

1. Being accountable to area if GSRS are not in touch with committee - it's a problem of communication

We know that work is being done but it is not being reported

GSRS not showing up at assemblies

Solutions

Send email reminders

Then we touched up on a core issue - times are changing and we are not changing with the times. More
emphasis was placed getting in touch with technology

2. Using smartphones - can get response back even quicker

3. One example was at the convention meeting, the chair (Kathy) sent out a message on Facebook and as
a result there was a great number of attendees

4. Texting is a way of getting a quick response -gave example of convention meeting

5. Let's the change the way we communicate especially with younger people - can use Skype - we need to
really find out what is working

a. We should worry about anonymity from holding us back.

b. Not everyone has smartphones or computers but the percentages are growing

c. Let's communicate faster

Safety in AA workshop

It's not only on predators but also on safety in our rooms, how can we take care of each other

1. Meetings in remote locations, how can we help a female secretary, etc.

2. We need to be more caring and responsible

3. Ran out of time

Officer Roundtable - Cheryl -

Two officers short

Results of inventory - action items and ways to address suggestions

Request that GSRS/DCMS/Standing Committee chairs if anyone is willing to come forward with a
proposal on how we could meet with videoconferencing they should do. This should include costs and the nitty-
gritty of how it could actually be done.

Willing to receive texts, calls, and emails on my phone

S&G Update

Archives update

Rochelle - liability concerns - institutions are changing their policies. The system is getting more onerous. For
AA to go into institutions such as hospitals, treatment centers, elder care homes - it's not as easy as it used to

be. It is harder to overcome the barriers. We need to change our strategies. What's in a handout for CEC or PI might not be conducive to the times. Just wanted to point out that this is a problem for chairs.

Linda (delegate responds) - Rochelle brings up a really good point. When I came back from the conference I said anyone who has an idea about anything which is under the purview of GSO they should bring it up. If there's a guideline or info in a pamphlet they should bring it up. I

1:30 PM Standing Committee Reports (3 minutes each)

Grapevine - Clifford: Hi, my name is Clifford and I am honored to serve as Hawaii Area 17 Grapevine Committee Chair. Thank you Central North Shore for hosting this Committee Meeting.

There is not much to report since the January Assembly but this is what I've got.

At the next Assembly in April I'll be making available to the Groups a lot of old Grapevines and Grapevine holders. These are part of the reduction in Area Archives.

Please ask your Groups to subscribe to the Grapevine.

I just received the Grapevine Newsletter and here are a few highlights:

- The "Best of Bill" and "Lo major de Bill" are now ebooks.
- There are now 4,568 online subscriptions.
- In 2011 AA Grapevine, Inc. did not require any Reserve Fund drawdowns
- Share on i-Say at aagrapevine.org/share
- Grapevine ended the year \$125,000 ahead of budget with a positive \$22,000 on the bottom line.

"To cross all barriers, our channels of communication had to be broadened and deepened." Bill W., "The Language of the Heart"

I look forward to serving our fellowship in 2012. In love and service

PI - Chris: (verbatim)

Aloha All,

I have contacted the Public Information Chair of East Hawaii and suggested writing letters to the High Schools and the Middle Schools for speakers. The PI chair will be contacting to a CSAC Certified Substance Abuse Counselor to find out the procedure and who to address the letters too. I will also be discussing this topic with the PI chair of the Puna District when she returns from Thailand There is another member that is providing the libraries in Puna and Hilo with meeting schedules and the hand out Information on Alcoholics Anonymous.

Also I am stressing the need for speakers who are asked to give information and staff tables as well as speakers on the other Islands especially Maui and Kauai. Can the DCM's please announce at their District meetings that we need help to staff the tables as well during public events? Oahu seems to have one person that is willing to serve in this capacity, but I am also asking the DCM's on Oahu to please announce at their District meetings that service in regards to providing speakers and staffing of tables for events is needed throughout the island of Oahu.

I asked the Mynah Bird chair if I can submit an article for calling for volunteers,

In Love and Service

Chris

Jim - Hospitals:

Dick called me about a guy at Hawaii State Hospital.
We don't get any reports back from how the work is being done
My committee is enthusiastic
Communications is improving
By the end of the panel we should have a good contact list
I've talking with Hugh about combining committees amendment
SEE MYNAH BIRD FOR WRITTEN REPORT

Susan - CPC: Thanks

CPC is working during this panel
Asked all members of panel to identify the areas they are interested in working with (which sort of professional - Mathea for instance is interested in medical community)

A 7 minute presentation for doctors has been created and it work

Mailers are a little bit different as we have gone into being very aware - we changed them to be very personal so they actually get opened. We are getting feedback and this is showing that they are being read -this is very exciting

Our members received pamphlets and materials to enable them to achieve their personal goal.

Committee is doing very well but I've realized I need to be a better communicator.
(No written report submitted - notes from committee meeting)

Lena (not present) - Corrections: (Rochelle gave report)

Speakers to go into prison are needed
I (Rochelle) was recruited and bring a meeting into OCCC.
I'm glad to be able to help
See me after the meeting (or Lena) if you or someone you know has an interest
By-Laws were mentioned but do not have clarity

Rochelle - CEC: (notes from committee meeting)

Welcome new member Ken (DCM) and Moises (DCM)
Members have not been showing up at the assemblies
Nothing new to report since last assembly
I am inspired to report something at our next assembly
Seniors in Sobriety 2012 Yuma AZ - keynote speaker from Kailua

Hugh - Website: There was no web site round-table as there was no one other than myself from the web site committee present.

I don't have very much to report, as it has only been 30 days since my last report.
At the last round table the committee was tasked with reviewing the website for ways to make the site appear less cluttered. I have some ideas of my own; but I am waiting for input from the rest of the committee before making changes.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Hugh - Treatment: (verbatim)

Thank you, Central North Shore District for hosting this committee meeting.

I was grateful to be able to attend the Inventory Assembly. I was able to get additional contact information from outer islands of people whom are interested in what Treatment is doing, and to get into service. Sitting down and taking my inventory on my service to Hawaii Area has always been valuable. Gives me a chance to make changes were changes are needed and also I was able to go out to the fellowship and ask what if anything they would like to see from the Treatment Committee.

A regular replay I received was, "Oh I do not know? What is the function of the Treatment Committee in Hawaii Area? During the next assembly plan on putting out information to the GSR's and A.A. fellowship what Treatment does and what Treatment does not do. From my personal experience, before I jumped into Area Service I had no idea what any of the committee's did or why we have them. Even being in Area Service I was clueless on some of the committee's till I got involved. So I feel it is all about attraction, get the message out to the fellowship about our committees.

The inventory assembly also allowed me to receive feedback and suggestions from DCM's, GSR's, Area Officers and A.A. Members. One suggestion was to get in touch with the sober houses on island. I have spoken with a couple of people whom are involved in sober houses. I have been told by the specific sober house that they do not wish to obtain literature from Treatment committee. I will continue to reach out to those whom are in need of literature specifically Treatment Centers and Hospitals.

I continue to be of service where I can be of service. I look forward to working with all of you this next year. Thank you

Zeke - Convention:

We are looking for way to distribute out money
AA/ Intergroup/ Area
Al-anon

We will donate more to Area.

Our meeting for steering is the 1st Saturday of every month 9:00 AM, my house. No meeting in March.

Convention meeting 3rd Wednesday of every month. 21 March next meeting.

Change on steering chair due to responsibility.

Heidi G. was the only one who submitted for the position of Secretary.

Please look and anyone for next years chair for the convention due to us by May so we can elect in June.

We will try Skype meeting in April. We just can't send them breakfast.

By April we will have Structures and Guidelines complete. Also how to have an off island chair.

Mynah Bird - Kathy:

I did an individual email to the members of my committee to invite them "to lead by example" by submitting articles for the next issue of the Mynah Bird. The only article received was from the DCM Windward, who was a visitor to the MB Committee Roundtable at the last assembly. I surrendered to the process, wrote an article myself, got an article from the chair and hospital chair.

I continue to work on the format of the newsletter, and recently received excellent instructional and technical help with the software program I am using. I am highlighting any voting outcomes from assemblies in the new box "FYI", and the announcement page now features chronological events, rather than by announcement or island.

I received an article from the past archives chair, and learned that my challenges in editing the Mynah Bird are not unique. Many of the same issues have arisen since the first issue was published in 1964. The area assembly actually discontinued the Mynah Bird in 1968 and resumed again in 1974.

I had asked our area chair to put the Mynah Bird on the area inventory. I was overwhelmed with the response supporting the publication, even if a smaller version. I took a deep breath and reminded myself that it's progress, not perfection. I can't change you, but I can change me and my attitude toward you!! So for now, I'll run with whatever I get!

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

2:15 PM Break

2:45 PM DCM & Intergroup Reports (3 minutes)

Ken - DCM 12 Puna District: Aloha from the Puna District!

- Since our Inventory Assembly, our District has become more energized. Our standing committees have realized how much more could be accomplished. I have started them on small goals to accomplish and to give a status report at the next district meeting.
- With all of the talk about the Concepts, a newly elected GSR has asked district to host a "Concepts Workshop"! What a concept!
- The Budget Assembly that Puna is hosting in August is starting to take shape. The Chair, Transportation, and Feeding positions have all been filled. I have created a registration flier that has just been approved.
- Finally, preparations are under way for the Founders Day/Delegates Report Back on June 10th. It promises to be a great day of fun, food and fellowship. I hope you all can make it.

Thanks for the opportunity to be of service!

Tommy - DCM 8 West Hawaii: (notes from committee meeting)

Thanked Eric for hosting this meeting

Did District Inventory last night - past DCM facilitated

1. 19 Questions
2. I learned more about things
3. Go deep and talked about things
4. Had pizza and soda and folks stayed for full time

Traditions/Concepts workshop proposed and work is being done

Alfred - DCM 7 East Hawaii:(verbatim):

Taking time to check out all the meetings in our area for an update on everything.

We have 2 new GSRs in our area from 2 old home groups that have decided to participate again with district.

Currently working on getting with Each Hawaii Intergroup, Puna District, West Hawaii District and Intergroups in making the East meets West.

Also working on place for the Delegate's Report Back with Puna)

Suzanne - DCM 4 Windward District: (verbatim)

Windward District will start the year with the development of the agenda item. We're looking forward to our Delegate's report Back from GSO after May.

We're gearing up to hold a workshop later this year, most likely in the summer months.

Our district continues to caravan once a month to meetings in our area.

We will be holding a holiday Alcathon in December and January. We have yet to secure a location.

Jack - DCM 2 Honolulu: (notes from committee meeting)

Thanks to CNS district for hosting

Grapevine is my homegroup and it's turning 30 on 2/22 with big meeting and Palama Settlement

District meeting will be at St. Peter's Episcopal Church from now on

Working to improve communications between groups

Trying to recruit folks for standing committee

Malia is sending representation

More groups are considering participating

Not much else going on

Working with Waikiki and Diamond Head for report back

Connie - Oahu Intergroup Vice Chair: (verbatim)

Central Office move on February 25, 2012 at 8 am both locations: Palama or Varsity Building. Office hours will remain the same until further notice.

No Booze Pupu Sunset Cruise \$60 limited seating, we have about 18 tickets left off of Kewalo Basin on Saturday, March 10th

Intergroup Campout at Bellows on April 19-22.

Founder's Day Lois & Bill Dinner at Hickam on June 14

Founder's Day Conference at McCoy Pavillion on June 23 from 7:00 am-8:30pm

Founder's Day Dance at Fleet Reserve on June 23 from 9-12

Tentative Planning for an Open House at Palama on May 5.

Intergroup Business Meetings is scheduled to be at Palama Settlement Dining Room at 6:30 pm until June 2012 so far.

Currently fielding 600-650 phone calls per month with approx 30 twelve step calls monthly. Note: 10 years ago 1200 calls monthly.

new location Palama Settlement at 810 Vineyard Blvd. Hnl HI. 96817. Phone number

transition will have a 10 day gap by Hawaiian Tel and calls will be forwarded. Unless someone knows someone at Hawaiian tel to move our change over sooner!!!!

Our new location will allow for hour and day schedule changes in the future.

Hopefully events, area assys (?), meetings etc... More will be revealed as we transition.

Moises - DCM District 6 Kauai: (verbatim)

Aloha I'm an alcoholic my name is Moise. District 6 is looking for a secretary, standing committee.

Looking forward to Delegate Report, assignment of topics.

Lots of events are being planned:

Founders day, 4th of July Picnic, HICYPAA, Kauai Round-Up.

Service workshop, concepts.

One of the ways we are doing this is by integrity (?) in our water meeting which is held once a month/the young people.

Diane - DCM 3 Leeward District: (verbatim)

My name is Diane and I'm an alcoholic. I serve as the DCM for Leeward District 3 on Oahu. I am pleased to report that we will be hosting a Picnic Potluck on Saturday, March 31, at one of the Cabanas at Rainbow Marina. The event starts at 11:00 am with an AA meeting, potluck lunch, games, and a District Inventory.

We are also talking about hosting an event the day after the October 13th committee meeting - Sunday October 14th. We thought we might ask some of the Area Committee chairs to be present to talk about their committee work. If any other district on Oahu would be interested in working with us, we could proceed together to plan the event.

Ed - DCM District 5 No Ka `Ohi: (verbatim, notes)

Still no other committee members other than me, but I'm still holding the monthly district meetings. 3-4 GSRs, 2 committee chairs (lit and corrections).

All three districts are holding PRAASA Report Back in conjunction with Central Office Bash March 25th.

Don't understand how but No Ka `Ohi District has been operating in the red for the past year.

Even though the district no longer formally has a Hana Caravan committee, the caravan has taken a lie of it's own. It goes the last Sunday of the month.

Also, for the Tri Isle District, they are hosting The Crossing to Lanai Feb 24,25, and 25 weekend.

Voted not to go to the inventory Assembly, Will be going to PRAASA.

Eric - Alt DCM District 11 Kihei -(verbatim, from Karen)

Mahalo District 6 for hosting this committee meeting, I am currently in Washington DC at the International Women's Conference and our Alternate DCM Eric T. is representing Kihei District.

We are planning for one big event this year - Dinner Theater. It has been a very successful and fun way to promote service in general and General Service in particular. The date will be Sunday, October 7 - plenty of time to get people excited about the elections. We have several dedicated core members, and hope to bring more members in to the planning of this event.

We will be having a "Report Back from PRAASA" - probably with the other two districts on Maui @ Central Office Bash March 25th Kihei Community Center.

We also hope to have the Delegate Report Back the Sunday after the committee meeting which will be held in District 13.

Again, we are looking for a District Secretary as well as other committee chairs.

I am looking forward to seeing some of you at PRAASA in a couple of weeks.
Thank you for letting me be of service.

Bart - DCM 17 Waianae District: (verbatim)

Bart, alcoholic, DCM 17.

Not a lot to report from Waianae District. We had our regular district meeting on the first of February. We did a district caravan to Iroquois Point step study, a group not represented at the District meetings but listed in the Waianae District. No one stepped forward to be a GSR or point of contact for the group. I was told that rather than giving their 7th tradition contributions to district, they occasionally put a certain amount into

another group's 7th tradition. The thing is that group, although physically within the Waianae District, affiliates itself with the Leeward District.

Eric - DCM District 9 CNS: (notes from committee meetings)

Thanks to George and everyone who has helped with this Committee Meeting - it's been the 'big topic'
Looking forward to using agenda item to get groups to participate

Kevin - DCM District 1 Diamond Head: (verbatim)

AA's are allergic to controlling behavior.

1. AA pamphlet for Inmates:

Problem with story stating that: "inmate was sentenced and in jail 2 weeks after the crime. This rarely, if ever, happens so quickly. Inmates laugh at the pamphlet because it was not reviewed by inmates for authenticity. Should be reviewed by inmates.

2. Thai and Khmer Big Books

Written by non AA translators. Says "Christian God or a higher power of your understanding"

Offensive to Moslems and non-Christians.

Should be reviewed by AA native speakers.

3. DHD #1 is good and looking forward to hosting the Inform the Delegate Assembly on April 14.

3:15 PM - 2013 Assembly & Committee Assignments - 'Pull from the Hat' for 2014 hosting duties

January Orientation Assembly - Windward District 4

February Committee Meeting - Kihei District 11

April Inform the Delegate Assembly - No Ka OI District 5

May/June Committee Meeting - Waikiki District 10

August Budget Assembly - Honolulu District 2

October Optional Committee Meeting - Kauai District 6

November Optional Assembly - Leeward District 3

3:30 PM Local Forums - Cheryl

b. Working on getting information from GSO on local forums.

c. Last one was held in 2004 locally

d. At a regular regional forum folks from GSO come and explain what they do and answer questions

e. It will take time to put together

f. If anyone else is interested in working on that please let me know

3:45 PM What's on your mind?

Clifford - There's a whole bunch of old Grapevine's please take them. I'll bring more for everyone else to take

Sheri - I also have some area contribution envelopes they are sitting on the table over here for DCMS to take back

Ken (Chair) - there are some office supplies here that were in storage, sheet protectors, files, please help yourself

Eric - Transportation - if anyone has told me they need transport, please let me know - Q? - please give directions to leave this location - gave directions

Connie F. (Intergroup) - Aloha Round-Up 19th Year, McCoy pavilion - it's next weekend and open to everyone. There will be entertainment and a fun skit. Main speaker and AI-Anon speaker. Saturday workshops and main speaker. Sunday more workshops - Old Alii Kai catamaran ride. About 200 tickets sold - only about 30 tickets left. It's a mix group. Aloharoundup.com

Ken (Puna) - I sit on finance committee and we are charged with increasing 7th Tradition contributions across the board. We are creating a handout and I'd like to thank the 3 DCMS who responded but I need input from the rest. There will be rough draft at the next assembly. We need to keep AA going.

Linda - Give-away of A.A. stories (Inmate to Inmate)

Things to Take Back to Your Homegroup:

We need to make sure this gets back to everyone because we've been doing it but

Archives being moved to Kaimuki resulting in 36% cost saving

Each district received topics for presentation

Reviewed inventory action items

We are links in the chain of communications

Feedback about concepts - we will be reading them at the beginning of each meeting or assembly

There will be concepts panel at the next assembly

Suggestion to do video-conferencing -please call or email Cheryl if you have information on how to do this

Website offers option of adding GSR emails to district lists

Website reviewing site to make more user friendly

There are a number of topics we are looking at

 More workshops

 Workshops in conjunction with committee meetings

We determined location of next year's assemblies and committee meetings

Adjourn with Declaration of Unity - Moved, seconded, voted 3:37pm

Declaration of Unity - This we owe to AA's future:

To place our common welfare first;

To keep our fellowship united.

For on AA unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.