

Hawai'i Area 17
Orientation Assembly
January 16, 2011

Convention Steering Standing Committee Report

Aloha. It's truly an honor to serve as this year's Annual Hawaii Convention Steering Committee Chair. I am looking forward to be part of the Area during the upcoming panel.

2011 Hawai'i Convention

I'd like to introduce Tayshae, 2011 Convention Chair. If you have any questions and want to be in service, please see T. The first committee meeting is scheduled for February 23rd, 6:00pm at Kaumakapili Church. Neighbor island members are encouraged to be of service also. Online registration is open and registration forms are available here. Please take a few back to your home groups. Any questions regarding this year's convention, the program and service, please call T.

2010 Hawai'i Convention

The 2010 Annual Hawaii Convention was a huge success. We moved back to the hotel. The convention was held at the Hilton Hawaiian Village. Although this was our first year back at a hotel with some confusion on "move in" day, the convention itself was enjoyed by all in attendance. We are reviewing the comment sheets, notes from the forum and comments given to us by the fellowship to see what worked, what didn't and how we can improve the convention. There were 1100 attendees. Thursday night is still FREE and open to the fellowship. That will be the same for this year also.

The Hilton loves us. Since we are new to the Hilton, we have to establish our relationship with them. After the 2010 convention, they absolutely love us. We made our room blocks, fulfilled the minimum meal counts and paid our bills on time. We are working on securing dates two years out vs. one.

The financial reports from the convention will be provided to the Area at the February committee meeting as outlined in Appendix C. I can report that we have moved \$10,000 to start the replenishment of the prudent reserve.

Motion to sever the relationship with the Area and the Convention

At the November Election Assembly, the area did not approve the motion to sever the relationship between the convention and the area through its group conscience. However, the discussion regarding the motion was heard by the steering committee. Last week, the steering committee did an inventory of ourselves. We will be reviewing the notes from the inventory and coming up with action items to better improve the communication between the steering committee and the area. The steering committee will start by posting all steering committee minutes on the Area website. I ask you, when reading the minutes, should have any questions, please contact me. We know that minutes can be interpreted in many ways. The December minutes are up on the website now. We want to honor the group conscience and the discussion that took place.

Appendix C

We are reviewing Appendix C to make necessary updates and changes. These changes will be brought to the Area for review and approval.

Round Table

We had great discussion during the standing committee round table. Again, if anyone has any questions for the convention steering committee, please contact me through the area website or call.