

Aloha my name is Deborah S. and I'm an alcoholic. I'm honored to be serving Area 17 Hawai'i as Panel 69 Alt Chair.

According to Hawai'i Area 17

Structure and Guidelines for Area 17 General Service on page 2 item 2.9 the "alternate area chair should:"

A. Perform the duties of the area chair in their absence. I accept this responsibility and WILL SERVE ACCORDINGLY.

B. Arrange meeting places and hospitality for all Area assemblies and committee meetings. I think this task ought to be reworded to include the phrase "assist in arranging" for meeting places and hospitality for all Area assemblies and committee meetings, because the District committee member chair and their district committee members make the arrangements to include securing the venue, homestay, transportation and meals. I have created a minimal checklist that I will follow to gauge our readiness for an upcoming assembly or committee meeting.

Michelle (DCM 11) and (Webmaster) Valerie is handling the Committee meeting on March 9 hosted by district 11, Kihei, Maui.

Jubee is handling onsite registrations today. The form is pink representing Maui's (official) color. I will defer to Jubee to report back on the assembly district 13, Tri-island Maui is hosting on April 28-29.

C. Serve as a member on the finance committee. I will be present and explain the budget at select district meetings on Oahu. If needed I will be available to groups to address questions on the proposed budget.

I suggest DCMs and GSRs invite group members and alternate GSRs to the district meeting when the proposed budget is presented. Include the presentation date in your meeting announcement until the meeting date has come to past. Remember "a squeaky wheel gets oiled"

D. Serve as a voting member on the Hawaii Annual State Convention Steering Committee. THE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETS EVERY 1st Tuesday of the month. was invited to sit in at the 2018 wrap up meeting. I gleaned information from steering members' reports to help me better know the individuals I will be serving with during panel 69. I encourage others to participate in our annual Hawaii convention especially for personal recovery; to experience the camaraderie in our fellowship, improve the "quality" of your sobriety and relationships among your fellows.

E. Serve as temporary group registrar, recording secretary, or treasurer if any of these officers are absent. IN ANY ONES ABSENCE I WILL SERVE ACCORDINGLY

F. Appoint the area's standing committee chairs in conjunction with other area officers. DONE

Lastly, I stand corrected with my response to an ask it basket question yesterday about the maximum annual contribution from an individual A.A. member annually. According to (the) Advisory Actions section in the 2018 final report from the 68 Annual Meeting of the General Service Conference of Alcoholics Anonymous

Item 14 on page 46:

"The Conference-approved maximum annual contribution from an individual A.A. member to the General Service Board be increased from \$3000 to \$5000"