(Approved 10-15-22)

Hawaii Area Committee Meeting Minutes Saturday, May 15, 2021 Co-Hosted with Leeward District 03

Call to order @ 0900 hours –opened with Declaration of Unity, Cliff –DMC for District 03 read Concept 9.

Past Delegates present: Bob H. P67 and Ken K. P63

AA Birthdays since last Committee Meeting in February 2021: Len 5/08 -27 years, Teresa 4/13-years, Bob H. 4/28 -17 years, Gina B. 4/12- 7 years, Christi 4/14- 7 years, and Wolf 4/11-12 years. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WHO CELEBRATED MILESTONES!!!!! INTRODUCED the TECH TEAM by Cliff DCM 3: Wolf, Erin R., Angel C., Matt R. and Toby R

Quorum: 27 voting members

Area Officer's Report:

Secretary Deborah L.

Opened my report with reading what I have done in accordance to the Hawaii Area 17 Structure and Guidelines Area 17 General Service Panel 71 2021-2022, mainly focused on B. Record the minutes of all area meetings and C. Distribute the minutes no later than ten (10) working days after each area meeting to all D.C.M.s. standing committee chairs and area officers. With that, I am grateful for area all sending their reports in via area email in word doc, there is some in PDF, however I have been able to work with that. My last report to the area from the last assembly was a day late, my apologies. I was a little confused about reports from the intergroup chairs from different islands and was able to get information from Chrissie (Thank You). I am open for any suggestions on how I can better serve you, please let me know via area email. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Minutes for last committee meeting for February 21, 2021: Approved. Sean –motioned to accept and Mike, second-passes.

Deborah L./Area 17, Panel 71 secretary.

<u>Treasurer's Report: Mike L.</u> (PLEASE SEE "<u>Budget Actual"</u> and <u>"Group Contributions"</u> posted in on the www.Area17aa.org)

The proposed budget for January 1 through December 31,2022 is \$41,000. The proposed budget considers the possibility that we will return to live, in-person meetings for all of our Assemblies and Committee meetings next year, and assumes we will continue to receive group 7th tradition contributions to Area. The proposed Budget will be voted on at the Budget Assembly August 28-29. Between now and then, the Finance Committee and Treasurer would like to make several virtual meeting presentations to explain the process. Please invite us to one of your District meetings in June or July where we can let the GSRs and any interested Members know about the Area's priority of spending and answer any questions they may have.

I want to let all of the Area's Standing Service Committees know that funds are available, and I would love to see the committees spend ALL of the money budgeted, and even more if there is a need!

So far this year, your Seventh Tradition contributions to the Hawai`i Area allowed us to make the required contribution to the General Service Office for our Delegate's attendance at the General Service Conference. The Conference was held on a virtual platform, saving our area the additional expenses for airfare, hotel and meals. Your Seventh Tradition contributions paid for

the Area Orientation Assembly, The February Committee Meeting, the inform the Delegate Assembly and this Committee meeting expenses like printing and mailing the Panel 71 version of the *Structures and Guidelines* handbook. Your Seventh Tradition contributions paid for literature and postage for the Treatment Facilities service committee to get literature to four locations, including two fairly new treatment facilities on Maui. Your Seventh Tradition contributions paid for the storage of the area archives and allowed us to put aside money for replacing area computers and towards sending our Delegate to the International Convention in 2025. Please see the Budget Vs Actual Report for the exact amounts.

In addition to the monetary contributions, your person-to-person contact helps make sure that A.A. will continue to be available to those who need and want help to stop drinking. Thank you for continuing to send in those group contributions.

The contributions sent to the General Service Office make possible: coordination of translations of the Big Book – now in 70 languages, and other A.A. literature has been translated into over 90 languages. Each year General Service Office staff responds to over 90,000 emails, letters, and phone calls, providing accurate and consistent information about A.A. So, your contributions to the General Service Office really help to make sure Alcoholics Anonymous continues to be there to help the next alcoholic. Thank you for supporting Hawai`i Area and the General Service Office.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

- Mike L., Treasurer Area 17 Panel 71

Registrar Eric V.:

Hi Peeps,

Great to see you all once again. The time between the last assembly and now has been fairly quiet. I have been updating the database as needed and adding a couple of groups and making a couple of changes. I emailed all the DCMs about the desires of any online groups in regards to their participation in the service structure. I only got 3 replies and all were interested in staying in our area.

Aloha

Eric

Alternate Delegate Tommy G:

Aloha Area 17 Trusted servants,

Thank you, Leeward District, for helping host our committee meeting today. Well, it has been exciting hearing from Kunane his experience at the GSC and the process the conference goes through to get the valuable business of AA done. The theme AA in a time of change has gotten the recovery juices flowing heavy in me and my higher power has revealed the change in me to help the still suffering Alcoholic.

As for my duties as Alt. Delegate which is outlined in our S&G's 2.7, I am always there to help our delegate and thankfully his attendance has been good. The GSR handbook has been worked on to create a table of contents and remove things not relevant or has changed in process and I owe a great deal of gratitude to my service sponsor Cheryl N. for doing a great job, we will send it to a few GSR's to review and give us an idea if it is user friendly. I also look forward to revealing our DCM handbook. I am still excited to host GSR orientation sessions at our assemblies and for our DCM's. Please feel free to ask if you have any questions about being a DCM.

As for the AHC, we have just received our 2^{nd} draft of our contract from the Waikiki Marriott, and we will be reviewing it with the Steering committee this Monday on Zoom. There have been no actions by the assembly yet to change any part of the S & G's.

I really look forward to groups or individual AA members coming with ideas and proposals focused on a time of change in AA.

In loving service

Tommy G

Alt. Delegate, Area 17, Panel 71

Alternate Chair Jeannie G.:

Aloha Everyone,

My name is Jeannie and I am an alcoholic and I currently serve as your Hawaii Area 17 Alternate Chair. My home group is the Kailua Kona Group, also known as KKAA, in West Hawaii District 8.

Thank you to our officers for facilitating today, Leeward District 3 for serving as our co-hosts, and welcome everyone here taking time out of their busy schedule.

As Alternate Chair, I carry a vote and therefore attend area officers' planning meetings, finance committee meetings, assembly and committee co-host tech meetings, the Annual Hawaii Steering and Convention Committee meetings as well as the West Hawaii Central Office meeting. I attend these but there are other representatives here today who will do the reporting. In the past, before covid and before meeting virtually, we had online registration for committee meetings only, not for assemblies. While meeting virtually, I create the online registration for both gatherings. Once we move to in-person and/or hybrid meetings in 2022 we hope to offer online registration as well as paper registration for assemblies. There has been discussion about hybrid assemblies and Tommy may have talked about it in his report today. If we move forward with hybrid he will work with hosting districts along with Deborah, and me. I get a twinge of fear thinking about the technical side of a hybrid meeting but our goal is to remain teachable, right?

In saying all that we have great hope that our January 22nd & 23rd, 2022 Inventory Assembly will be either in-person and/or hybrid. I reached out to Waianae District 17 who will be hosting the January Assembly with action items that need to be in place and announced at the August Budget Assembly which will be quickly upon us. I look forward to working closely with our hosting districts in 2022.

Also, my duty is to support Deborah, our chair, and serve wherever needed.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Jeannie

***Chair Deborah S.:

<u>Delegate's Kunane D.:</u> PLEASE REFER TO <u>www.Area17aa.org</u> for Kunani's <u>"Delegate Report Back"</u>

2022 Proposed Budget Presentation Mike L.:

PLEASE REFER TO www.Area17aa.org for the Treasurers "REVISED BUDGET PROPOSAL" for Area 17's calendar year 1/01/2022 to 12/31/2022. LUNCH BREAK 12:00 TO 12:45 (FINANCE COMMITTEE HAS THEIR MEETING)

OLD BUSINESS: Legal Responsibility to the Hawaii Area Committee Proposal Discussion: Rachel S., Panel 69 Treasurer Area 17

- 1. Proposal: To amend 7.5.D*Priority of Spending (S & G Area 17)
- 2. Proposal: To amend Section 7 (S & G Area 17)

NOTE: Will be posted to the Area Website during the Budget Assembly in August 28-29 2021. Rachel S. presented to proposal to the Area Officer's, DCM's and the Standing Committee Chairs at the Area 17's virtual Committee Meeting this date. The committee voted to move forward with the proposals as it was presented at the Committee meeting to be presented at the upcoming Budget Assembly for the Area (DCM's, Standing Committee Chairs, General Service Representatives). At this assembly, any person's with comments/questions is welcomed. The information is to be taken to back to home groups and in November of 2021, a mini Assembly will be held for the Area's conscience and vote.

<u>1:45pm Breakout Sessions:</u> Area Standing Committee Chairs, District Committee Members and Intergroup Chairs.

Reports from Breakout Sessions: Officers, Area Standing Committee Chairs, Intergroups. Intergroup-presented by Roxanne Z:

- 1. All Area intergroup virtual meeting every last Tuesday of the month.
- 2. July 24, 2021 All Hawaii I.G. having an all Hawaii speaker meeting with speakers from each island. Flyer is yet to be posted.
- 3. All Hawaii area- combining Big Book orders for AAWS, will be doing a drop shipping to each island.
- 4. Intergroup/special workers meet monthly nationally and discuss concerns with intergroup and GSO.
- 5. Lastly discussed concerns and the changes with live versus virtual meetings.

DCM report back presented by T.J DCM 1.

Aloha,

Here is the report out:

We had a wonderful time in our hour together. We covered two main topics and some announcement.

One of our members mentioned disappointment at the low turnout of support for area-wide, District-sponsored events. We discussed the importance of the History of Woman in AA's pioneering times tomorrow at 10:30 am, and a safety in AA presentation on June 19. I'm mentioning these first because they are very important, even though we spoke about this topic last.

We discussed the issue of groups who have split or otherwise altered to have online meetings and and now have both online and physical meetings. In come cases, entirely new groups have started. Some groups are having a disagreement over who should have the general service number. Others seem to be working it out by getting new general service numbers for whichever group is deemed the "new group." The consensus seemed to be for DCMs to listen carefully to the individual group needs and dynamics and to help groups look carefully at the group conscience that was taken to start new ways of meeting and what the group conscience says about how to proceed. It won't be easy. Change rarely is.

As requested by the Area Chair, we also discussed how we are feeling about meeting together again as an area in 2022. To quote a few members: "Get me off this rock!" There was unanimous hopefulness and delight in getting to meet again. One member expressed that area events are a

highpoint for making connections in sobriety. Karen's two cats did not seem to care either way, however, what we choose to do. As the host of the DCM for the District hosting the April 2022 Inform the Delegate assembly I raised some concerns about the technology to do that. We had good discussions about Area support for those concerns and that we may have someone helping us out with that in the form of a standing Area Committee for this work. And some Committee Members raised the question of home stays and travel. Even though we might be excited to meet, we might not have a lot of host families looking to take people in just getting on a flight. Considering the needs of ALL of our membership for meeting will have to be a key consideration. We would not want the most vulnerable among us also be left out of Area meetings unnecessarily.

Respectfully submitted in love and service,

T. J. F., DCM Dist 1

Standing Committee presented by Christie SCC-Grapevine

Standing committee round table report

Topic 1 Discussion on going back to in person area assemblies in 2022

- Should we go by state guidelines for area and committee meetings or should we do virtual?
- Our goal should be 100% face-to-face it should be our aim
- The host district will need to decide if it is feasible to house etc...
- We should revisit this later in the year closer to the assemblies
- It was suggested to have the committee meetings virtual for financial reasons

Topic 2 How can we spend the money designated to corrections while the facilities are currently shut down?

- Grapevine and corrections can collaborate to get grapevines into the prisons either on tablets, online or hardcopies
- The question was asked why do we need to use our funds right away? It was stated that our funds will not roll over into the next panel.

Topic 3 CPC Wanted to know how we can address the pandemic of alcoholism during the pandemic within the professional community?

- Workshops could be done by the cpc committee for employers
- The CPC committee can reach out via email, phone or text to employers.
- Reach out the DCM
- Utilize the cpc literature and bring it to the employers to educate them

Area Officers presented by Deborah L.

Discussed Hybrid meetings, virtual meetings starting up and how to include them in Area service. Tommy, Alternate Delegate willing to create and lead an AD-Hoc committee, intended to talk over what it would look like to the area with combining area committee/assemblies both physical and virtual. Reasons being is that for 2022, Area 17 is looking at Face to Face Assemblies and with Covid-19 and things starting to slowly transition back to some normalcy, there will be some people that will or will not attend the committee/assemblies. Nevertheless, the subject is to include everyone. Open for suggestions, if any, please email Tommy G. @ altdelegate@area17aa.org

DCMs, Standing Committee Chair Reports:

Lisa B. Alt. DCM 4 for Kaleka DCM 4:

Aloha Hawaii Area and Trusted Servants,

My name is Keleka K. and I am the DCM for Windward Oahu district #4. Since our last assembly district #4 had our Concepts 3-4-5 & 9 workshop, we had a good turnout were we had 25 attendees. Mahalo district 4 for your hardwork and service. Our last business meeting there were 8 people attended 4 of them were GSR's within our district. In March, we assisted our GSR's by making sure that each GSR was able to obtain they're GSR kits. Also, each GSR reported that there meetings have been doing well and attendance has been good. Several groups reported that they're homegroups were really interested in the agenda topics that were given to them. Several homegroups are in discussion about considering becoming a hybrid meeting and/or going back to live in person. Our district voted and finalized 20 grapevine subscriptions to donate to treatment centers and Castle hospital in our district. We also voted to send a donation to help OIG since our district is doing well financially. Last but not least we are planning on possibly doing a warranties workshop sometime this year so stay tune.

Mahalo for letting me be of service Keleka K.-DCM

Brandon L. SCC for Cooperation with the Professional in the Community:

The Area CPC committee has met twice via Zoom with six people participating in the April meeting and five in the May meeting. Our current committee focus is child protective services. Joe R, District 8 CPC Chair, had a positive experience giving a virtual presentation to staff of West Hawaii Child Welfare Services. Deborah S, Area 17 Chair, placed literature in the downtown parole/probation office on Oahu for officers and clients. Lea V, DCM for district 5, connected me with a woman that works for Maui Youth and Family Services. They support Child Welfare Services on Maui and she is excited about arranging a meeting for us to talk with her coworkers.

At our subcommittee meeting it was suggested to reach out to GSO for local CPC opportunities and to insure that our efforts do not overlap. I emailed Amy on the CPC desk asking if they have been participating in any online conferences like the American Psychiatry Conference. She explained that they have seen very little participation at virtual exhibit booths and have decided this was not the best use of their resources.

Karen N, the Mynah Bird chair, emailed me an article from The Maui News written by a No Ka Oi Health employee describing increased drinking during this pandemic with no mention of AA. I also recently saw a video from another major Maui medical organization describing the increased drinking as a "pandemic within a pandemic" with no mention of AA. I'm not sure how to address this situation so I emailed Amy at GSO again to ask about shared experience in this situation. No response yet.

I emailed the DCM's requesting time at their District meetings for a CPC presentation to increase District participation in CPC work. I am aware of only two District CPC Chairs in Hawaii: Joe R in District 8 and Mo L in District 6. I did presentations at District 10 and District 5 so far. I am planning to attend District 11 next week, District 4 at the end of May, District 1 in June, & District 2 in July. DCM's please let me know when I can present to your district.

I plan to participate in the CPC North America quarterly meeting this Tuesday 2pm HST on Zoom and also received an announcement that the North America CPC & PI Conference will be held virtually on February 12th &13th, 2022.

Thank you for allowing me to be of Service, Brandon L.

Kalei K. DCM 6

Aloha mai kakou My name is Kalei K. I am an alcoholic and DCM for District 6 Kauai. We have 11 active Gsr's 7 active Standing committee chairs with two positions open, Mynah bird and Public Information. 80 active meetings on the island, 41 live/in person, 39 virtual. Even though this pandemic, AA on Kaua'i has been very strong and striving. I've been to a lot more live meetings and really enjoy the Recovery, Unity, and Service. So very Awesome!Our Monthly District 6 meeting is every 3rd Saturday of the month at 930am virtually. You're all welcome to join us. Everyone is still settling into their new positions and I'm making sure that all participating Gsr's are registered with GSO. Thank you for letting me be of service. Aloha and Mahalo's Kalei K. Dcm 6 Kauai

Sean F. SCC for Treatment:

What does the Treatment Committee do:

According to Hawaii Area 17 Structures and Guidelines, Treatment Standing Committee Coordinates the service work of A.A. groups and individual A.A. members who carry the message to alcoholics in medical and treatment settings. Sets up means of "Bridging the Gap" from treatment to A.A. and works to clarify what A.A. can and cannot do, within the 12 Traditions, to help alcoholics in medical and treatment settings.

How will the Committee do this:

Our committee has been on fire and to think we are only 5 months into this panel. April 24th we had our first workshop, Bridging the Gap: Navigating a Slippery Slope, and it was great being able to carry the message. We had about 40 members in attendance from multiple areas. We received great feedback and had 13 members offer their information to be used as Temporary Contacts, which will be utilized in a transition packet for the multiple treatment facilities. Lastly, we have been able to get our literature and racks in 7 more locations bringing our total footprint in facilities up to 18 within the islands of Oahu, Maui, and Big Island.

Other Topics:

The committee and I met May 14th and had a workshop wrap up meeting, discussed the transition packets, and discussed our next workshop title.

At this point, we have spent \$312.70 leaving us a balance of \$187.30. I would like the Area to please consider a request of a \$250.00 increase to our budget to finish out 2021.

Gina B. DCM 4:

We seem to be having great participation with our active groups in district 2. One group is moving forward with their spiritual retreat happening in September, another is thriving while having hybrid meetings and other groups are figuring how to re-open safely. For the most part, the groups are doing well with minimum issues with online invaders.

Our District is having a Safety Seminar on June 19, 2021 from 10am-12pm with a local speaker on the topic of Ethical Sponsorship and our featured speaker, who is from Oregon, will discuss Harrassement & Predation.... Yes!!! Let's talk about the uncomfortable stuff.

Other Topics:

In other news... I've attended three workshops now, with another happening tomorrow. I find it very discouraging that we don't have more participation from our Area. I get that not everyone will be available to attend every workshop, but this is Area 17. Shouldn't there be more support? Especially from our officers? We have people zooming in from all over the united states and some foreign countries, and I'm sorry to say that Area 17 looks weak, as if there is no UNITY happening. I do my best to at least pop in for a bit to support any workshop that our Area hosts, even the topics that DO NOT interest me. I'd like to encourage every DCM to encourage participation from their GSR's. Let's keep Unity within our Area fellowship by showing more support!!!

Lea V. DCM 5:

My name is Lea and I am an alcoholic and the DCM for District 5. All our committee chair positions are available. We are discussing splitting up the essential activities for the different positions and seeing who at District is willing to cover them until we fill the position. I have found it difficult to find members for those positions, but will continue to announce them at meetings. We have continued to attend virtual and in person meetings to share what District is about and how District can help the groups/meetings, both virtual and in person, and how we can be of service to them to help reach alcoholics. We invited the area CPC chair to share at our last District meeting and found it very helpful and informative. I would like to invite all our Area Chair Committee members to our District Meeting and will send an email extending an invitation. We meet virtually on the second Tuesday of every month, from 530-7pm. Thank you to District 03 (Leeward District) and everyone who helped put this virtual assembly together. I look forward to continue serving with all of you.

Jubee B. SCC Corrections:

As of 2 months ago things are still the same. Facilities are still closed.

Spoke to Brandon S. and he is awaiting word on when MCCC here on Maui will let them back in. He will also let me know when the class will begin to get certified to go into the facilities and many of them are getting closer to the time of renewal.

David F will also let me know when Oahu reopens.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Greatful servant

Jubee B.

Sean SCC Webmaster:

On the website, I renamed Hawaii AA page to Local AA.

I am slowly getting Website Committee Meeting together and have a potential Alternate Webmaster that I need to connect with.

For our first task, I will have committee discuss the assembly and committee meetings archives on website, how to best list all records in the same format, and seek help in making updates and uploading content from missing years and events.

I would also like to review the Website Committee Appendix D in the Structures & Guidelines as well as the Website Content Policy posted on website which seem to be inconsistent with how we use the website and the S&G Appendix D.

Karen N. SCC Mynah Bird

The Mynah Bird is the newsletter of Area 17. It contains articles that focus on AA topics and reflects the vibrant and diverse A.A. community in Area 17.

Before each issue of the Mynah Bird, I send out a request for articles to the Area All email list — Officers, Committee Chairs, DCM's and Past Delegates. I also send out a request for articles to the GSR's on the Mynah Committee. The GSR's are not responsible for writing articles, only responsible to make announcements at their home groups that articles are wanted for the Mynah Bird. When I request articles, I make suggestions for articles — steps, traditions or concepts of the months preceding each issue. For this issue, I also suggested "How is your group transitioning (or not!) back to meeting in person", any "gems" heard at meetings an of course stories of personal experience are always welcome. I ask for flyers for upcoming events — workshops, or in the case of this issue Founders Day.

I sent out the May edition of the Mynah Bird to Area officers, committee chairs, DCM's and the GSR's who are on the Mynah Bird Committee. I also sent it to Intergroup Chairs. It is posted on the website. It is my hope that it will be distributed thoughout the Area. It is a challenge since we are not currently meeting in person. I suggested to the GSR's that copies could be made and distributed as they would be if we were meeting in person. Our committee has a budget and we can reimburse for copy expense.

I also to provided information about our newsletter to a delegate (who requested information) from another area – I sent a copy of the last issue and explained my process for compiling the newsletter. The next Mynah Bird will be published prior to the Budget Assembly – deadline for articles will be a week prior to the assembly. I'll be asking for articles about the steps, traditions and concepts, self support, and how groups are transitioning post-covid.

Mahalo for letting me be of service, Karen N. Panel 71 Mynah Bird Chair

Andi C. DCM 12:

District 12 continues to work with the Hilo District 7 and East Hawaii Intergroup to carry the message, encourage participation in area service, and sharing information freely. Reaching out into our community looks like attending non-regular meetings, speaking with members in the community, and encouraging participation in meetings, held on virtual platforms and in person. There are several in-person meetings that have opened up an District 12 is working diligently to get the message of AA out to our members and groups. We are seeing high participation in meetings and are encouraged that in-person meetings are starting to open. We are still actively looking for a secretary and committee members. Through our outreach efforts there is more participation in district service and a lot of gratitude for the work we do.

Mahalo for allowing me to be of service,

Andi C.

District 12, DCM

T.J. F. DCM 1:

Aloha Family,

My name is T. J. F., DCM for District 1, Beautiful Diamond Head,

We have been meeting regularly and our usual groups are doing a great job showing up and representing their groups. We are very pleased with the work of one of our groups handling an in-person meeting in a hybrid capacity with a huge flat screen monitor, great sound, and equal inclusion of the on the online platform and those in the room. Many of us in the district expressed our appreciation for the work of this group to present this meeting.

We also began initial discussions about the 2022 Inform the Delegate Assembly. We will be assigning roles at our next meeting, but there are many unknowns about technology and how the event will look that we are trying to get our heads around.

We will welcome Brandon our Area CPC chair at our next meeting on June 3 for a presentation on his work and service in the Area. We are looking forward to that.

The District also decided to keep meeting online for now.

And we stressed attendance at our sibling Districts' events in the coming weeks, especially the one tomorrow about the history of Pioneering Women in AA. There was much interest in that. Thanks to District 3 for your hosting and support.

Respectfully submitted in love and service,

T. J. F. District 1, DCM

Cliff W. DCM 3:

Aloha Family, I'm an alcoholic and my name is Cliff. I represent Leeward Oahu District 3 as their DCM.

Our district is beginning to open up with meetings in person for Ka Hui Mo'olelo at 5 pm daily at Neal Blaisdell Park in Pearl City and Head Start group at Joy of Christ Church on Kamehameha Highway in Pearl City. Also continuing in person meetings are the men's No Reading Meeting in Radford Terrace Navy Housing on Murray Drive at the community center at 7 pm and the Aiea Big Book Study meeting on Thursday at the Joy of Christ Church in Pearl City.

The Hickam Traditions meeting has changed it's name to HUGS (Helps Us Get Sober). The meeting is currently on-line on Wednesdays but is looking for a face to face venue. Our district is currently solvent and contributing.

Mahalo.

Roxanne Z. Intergroup East Hawaii:

Aloha from East Hawaii Intergroup on the island of Hawai'i. My name is Roxanne and I am an alcoholic and chairperson for IG. We meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 530 pm virtually.

Meetings are beginning to go live or hybrid. 6 new meetings have started including a telephone meeting.

The Alternate Chair, Nivan, has found locations for our 3 Alcathons – Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's – in preparation for more relaxed gathering guidelines. He is also working to bring about virtual activities.

Our literature committee is going great with sales increasing. Deliveries can be arranged with Jane. Our hotline is looking for more volunteers to answer the phone and to add to the 12^{th} step list.

Currently we have an Ad Hoc Committee reviewing, revising and updating our Bylaws. Our committee is comprised of the Alternate Chair, the Treasurer, and myself

We have a monthly virtual caravan to visit and support all meetings. We are carrying the message of IG involvement to them, as well.

Yours in Service,

Roxanne

Alberta A.Hi. Convention: (Note this report is from my notes, providing the report was Erin) The Convention Steering Committee did get the contact for the hotel for the Annual Hawaii Convention. Meeting with the Hotel regarding CDC guidelines & they are collecting resumes for the upcoming 2022 AHC-chair.

Christi N. SCC Grapevine:

Aloha. My committee has not met in the time between the assembly and today. I am continuing to reach out to the DCM's to set up a time to do a small grapevine presentation for each district. I am going to read over all the information that Kunane spoke on in his report and eventually set up a workshop. I am fired up to reach out to the fellowship to get the grapevine information out to them. It is a wonderful thing that there are more face-to-face meetings. I have not used any of my \$500 budget yet. I look forward to doing so with the help of the fellowship.

In love and service,

Christi N.

Grapevine standing committee chair

Panel 71

Ernest S. SCC Archives:

Aloha my name is Ernest and I'm an alcoholic. I serve as the archive chair for area 17 panel 71. I'd like to thank our area officers and Leeward district #3 for hosting this virtual committee meeting in preparation for the Delegate report back and our upcoming budget assembly. As stated in the area structures and guidelines that archives serves as a permanent repository of materials pertaining to Hawaii AA, area 17, it's districts and the history of the group. Therefore, I'll be archiving materials from our area assemblies, committee meetings and workshops hosted by districts that involves area 17, its officers and or committee member's. The documents for the committee meeting prior to the inform the delegate assembly has been sent to the webmaster to be posted on the area 17 website. I've reached out to the standing committee's and DCM's who hosted a virtual workshop for any material they would like to have archived on the Area17 website. Also, when sending your reports to the secretary for the minutes please CC archives@area17aa.org and I'll be able to archive your report individually. Lastly, I sent out a form for homegroup history to all area17 via email. Please have your group members try their best to complete that form then submit to archives@area17aa.org or archivist@area17aa.org. If you perceive a lot of guessing going on from group member's in completing this form, I'd suggest that your group create a new service position "Archives." This position is basically for the group's own information. Area17 Archives will be better served by receiving information from the group and its member's. That's all I have to report and thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Ernest S. Hawaii Area 17

****David J. Intergroup Chair –Kauai:

Mike L. Treasurer/ Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee met during the lunch break at the Area Committee Meeting and discussed some items on the proposed budget for 2022. The proposed budget was revised as follows:

\$1,000 budgeted for Delegate travel to the General Service Conference (GSC) was removed — The General Service Office (GSO) pays for Delegate Travel to and from the Conference. \$200 for supplemental support to GSO was removed from the budget. Each Area is asked to pay an amount as requested by the GSC. If GSO requests additional funds, the Assembly would determine if and how much to contribute.

\$500 for Interisland airfare assistance to Districts remains in the budget. Meetings are slowly coming back to meeting face-to-face, and may take some time to recover financially. In the distant past, If a Group could not afford to send the GSR to the Assembly, Area asked that the Group ask District first; Area would help out if District also contributed. If there is a need and we have the money, we want to make sure there is at least a possibility for GSRs to attend the Assemblies.

Discussion of the possibility of having hybrid assemblies and/or committee meetings led to adding a new line item to the budget for purchasing equipment that would be needed. The cost of equipment like computer, high quality cameras, Bluetooth speaker and/or flat screen monitor was estimated to be about \$1,200.

There was also discussion about the pros and cons of buying the PRAASA recordings, and whether the PRAASA recordings should be included in the Hawaii Area Archives. The Finance Committee decided to keep the \$70 in the proposed budget, and let the Steering Committee decide whether or not to actually purchase the recordings.

Mahalo to Gina, Lisa, Kalei, Jeannie, and Past Delegate Bob H for participating in the Finance Committee.

Thank you for the chance to be in service – Mike L.

<u>Michelle G: Oahu Intergroup:</u> Please refer to the Oahu Intergroup Website for updates @oahucentraloffice.com

Bill M. SCC Public Information: (Received via email- 5-14-21, thanks Bill M.)

- 1. Anonymity Workshop on April 10, 2021was a success. Delegates on the panel were very instrumental by providing great insights and historical content about Anonymity and its evolvement in the digital age.
- 2. Attended 2 PI/CPC National workgroups primarily focusing on ways to use social media and the internet more effectively to conduct PI/CPC work. Great ideas and efforts are being used across the nation and Canada with much success.
- 3. Facbook page pilot ad was a success targeting the State of Hawaii only. The ad reached 4,159 individuals on the social platform with 574 people engaged the ad for 3 seconds or longer, and 80 people clicked on the link that led to Oahu Central Office's website. Much more work to be done on using social media platforms to do PI work.

- 4. Developed a audio PSA tailored for Hawaii area. PSA is accompanied by a letter to local broadcasting companies requesting donations for PSA 30-second slots. Mail outs should be completed by the end of June 2021.
- 5. Based on PI/CPC workgroup discussion and efforts, the PI Committee (Area 17) will recommend to the Area Officers a pilot project, stand-alone web page for PI work with the focus to educate and provide awareness, educate the public (primarily Area 17) about Alcoholics Anonymous and provide links serving our primary purpose.

For more information on our strategic plan for 2021 please visit our PI page on Area 17 website.

Trusted servant, Bill M. PI-SCC

Ask it Basket

Karen O. requested access to PRAASA tapes and Deborah S. will be sending her a flash drive.

What to Take Back: Please refer to area17@aa.org for information on what to take back.

4:30pm Adjourned / closed with the Serenity Prayer