

**Hawaii Area 17 Budget Assembly**  
*“A.A.’s Three Legacies – Our Common Solution”*  
**September 7 & 8, 2024**  
**Hosted by District 4, Windward, Oahu**  
\*The agenda is subject to change.\*  
**Day 1: Saturday**

- 8:00 Registration and Breakfast
- 9:00 Call to Order:
- Serenity Prayer
  - Host DCM Announcements
  - Introduction of Past Delegates
  - A. A. Birthdays
  - New Voting Members?
  - Service Sponsors
  - Reading: *Concept XII: Warranty Two: “Sufficient operating funds...” (Page C50 A.A. Service Manual)*
  - Establish Quorum
- 9:15 Officer Reports:
- Secretary Report: *Keleka K., Area Secretary*
  - Treasurer Report: *Sean C., Area Treasurer*
- 9:25 Hawaii Area 17 Website Chair Confirmation
- 9:30 Review Guidelines for Discussion and Voting
- 9:40 Hawaii Area 17 2025 Proposed Budget: *Sean C., & Finance Committee*
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 Proposal To change Area Structures & Guidelines Treasurer’s Duties section 2.10, item F and Finances section 7.3: *Sean C., Area Treasurer & Finance Committee (Proposal on page 3.)*
- 11:00 Proposal To Amend The Affiliation Between The Hawaii Area Committee And The Annual Hawaii Convention: *Deborah S., Alt Delegate: Discussion only/GSRs take back to groups. (Proposal on pages 4 & 5.)*
- NOON Lunch: *(Finance Committee Meets.)*
- 1:00 Area Officer Reports: *(4 min.)*
- Registrar: *Sean F.*
  - Alternate Delegate: *Deborah S.*
  - Alternate Chair: *Deborah L.*
  - Chair: *Jeannie G.*
- 1:15 2024 General Service Conference Final Report: Agenda Items Outcome: *Tommy G., Delegate*
- 2:30 Break
- 2:45 Saturday Round Tables: *Orientation for new GSRs with Deborah S., Alt Delegate. Returning GSRs meet with their assigned SC Chairs. DCMs and IG/CO Chairs meet.*
- 3:45 Saturday Round Table Report Backs: *(3.5 min.)*
- 4:30 What’s on your mind? / Ask It Basket: *(2 minutes at the mic)*
- 4:55 Wrap up / Host DCM announcements.
- 5:00 Adjourn with Declaration of Unity: *(Page 5.)*

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**Day 2: Sunday**

- 8:00 Registration and Breakfast
- 9:00 Call to Order:
  - Serenity Prayer
  - Host DCM Announcements
  - Introduction of Past Delegates
  - New Voting Members?
  - Reading: *Concept I: “Perhaps many of us...” (P. C5 in our red A.A. Service Manual.)*
- 9:15 Sunday Round Tables: *Past Delegates and Officers facilitate GSRs. DCMs, Intergroup/Central Office, and Standing Committee Chairs meet.*
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 Sunday Round Table Report Backs *(Report time to be determined)*
- 11:15 Standing Committee Chair Reports *(4 min.)*
- NOON Lunch: *(Finance Committee Meets.)*
- 1:00 Finance Committee Meeting Report Back
- 1:15 DCMs & Intergroup/Central Office Chair Reports *(4 min.)*
- 2:15 2024 Pacific Regional Forum Report Backs: *Tommy G., Delegate & Jeannie G., Chair*
- 2:45 Break
- 3:00 Election Assembly Information: *(7-minute presentations with Q&A to follow each topic.)*
  - Spirit of Rotation *(Total time: 15 min.)*
  - Job Descriptions & Qualifications from the Structures & Guidelines *(Total time: 15 min.)*
  - Standing Committee Chair Selection Method & 3rd Legacy Procedure from the Structures & Guidelines *(Total time: 15 min.)*
- 3:45 Host 2026 PRAASA: *Kunane (15 min.)*
- 4:00 Ask It Basket / What’s on your mind? *(2 mins. at the mic.)*
- 4:25 What to Take Back
- 4:30 Adjourn with the Declaration of Unity: *(See page 5.)*

**2024 Panel 73**

**NO Optional October Committee Meeting**  
District #6, Kauai

**Election Assembly**  
District #1, Diamond Head, Oahu  
October 19 & 20, 2024

**2024 Other service or area events:**

**61st Annual Hawaii Convention**  
Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa  
October 24 - 27, 2024

**2025 Panel 75**

**Orientations Assembly**  
District #4, Windward, Oahu  
January 25 & 26, 2025

**February Committee Meeting**  
District 3, Leeward, Oahu  
February 22, 2025

**Inform The Delegate Assembly**  
District 11, Kihei, Maui  
April 12 & 13, 2025

**May Committee Meeting**  
District 7, Hilo/Hamakua, Big Island

**August Budget Assembly**  
District 8 West Hawaii, Big Island

**Optional Fall Committee Meeting**  
District 6, Kauai

**Optional November Assembly**  
District 1, Diamond Head, Oahu

**2025 Other service or area events**

**58TH Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (PRAASA)**  
Hosted by Area 02 Alaska: Anchorage, Alaska  
March 7 - 9, 2025

**General Service Conference**  
New York, NY:  
April 27 - May 03, 2025

**International Convention 2025**  
Vancouver BC, Canada  
July 3 - 6, 2025

## Area 17 Proposal Form

(Used for documenting proposals/motions for consideration by Area 17)

Choose one: This is: A Formal Proposal/Motion

### **Proposal:**

To change Area Structures & Guidelines Treasurer's Duties section 2.10, item F and Finances section 7.3 that read:

“Maintain a second bank account for a prudent reserve as specified by the budget. Two (2) signatures are required to transfer any funds from this account.”

Replace the sentence “Two (2) signatures are required to transfer any funds from this account.” with the sentence “All signers on the account are to be notified when a transfer is made from this account.”

So that both sections read:

“Maintain a second bank account for a prudent reserve as specified by the budget. All signers on the account are to be notified when a transfer is made from this account.”

### **Background information:**

The Finance Committee discussed this section and agreed it needs to be updated to reflect actual practice as any transfer of funds from savings to operating account is done electronically and does not require a signature.

(Please submit in writing to the Area 17 Chair)

Submitted by: Sean C. Hawaii Area 17 Treasurer

Date received:

## **PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE AFFILIATION BETWEEN THE HAWAII AREA COMMITTEE AND THE ANNUAL HAWAII CONVENTION.**

In the belief that guidance from the Hawaii Area Committee is no longer considered necessary for the success of the Annual Hawaii State Convention, this proposal is to end the Area's required participation in the Annual Hawaii Convention Steering Committee and likewise end the required participation of the Steering Committee Chair on the Hawaii Area Committee. The affiliation no longer serves any effective purpose, and the Convention Steering Committee is extremely capable and should be autonomous in all its processes. Any changes resulting from this action would take effect on January 1, 2025.

The proposed change does not represent a spiritual separation but rather a practical partition of two separate groups that share the primary purpose of carrying the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers (Tradition Five). As stated in Tradition Four, "Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole" ...Autonomy means simply that every A.A. group can manage its affairs exactly as it pleases, except when A.A. as a whole is threatened."

BACKGROUND: 1961 and 1962 were years of AA coming of age in Hawaii. Our first Area Delegate served on Panel 11 during that time. On November 10-11, 1962, the first Annual Hawaii State Convention was held at the Hilton Hawaiian Village. The Area Delegate, who came up with the idea for the conference, chaired the event. This may have been the beginning of the spirit of cooperation between Area 17 and the Annual State Convention, an association that formalized in the mid-70s by having the Area Alternate Delegate and the Area Alternate Chair serve on the Convention Steering Committee. Both entities have since become separately incorporated as 501(C)(3) organizations and now operate with only a loose association with one another.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

The fiscal implications of this proposal are minimal and were not factors during the consideration of the proposal. The items listed below are for your information.

- Hawaii Area Committee would eliminate from its budget costs related to participation at the Hawaii Annual Convention for the Alternate Delegate and the Alternate Chair.
- Hawaii Area Committee would no longer budget amounts to send the Convention Steering Committee Chair to the Area Committee Meetings and Area Assemblies.

The changes to the Structures and Guidelines for Area 17 General Service are listed below:

1. That the words Appendix C (Hawaii Annual Convention Steering Committee C-1) in the Table of Contents be deleted.
2. That Item 2.7.E (Serve as a voting member on the Hawaii Annual State Convention Steering Committee.) on page 2 under Alternate Delegate's Duties be deleted.

**Continued....PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE AFFILIATION BETWEEN THE HAWAII  
AREA COMMITTEE AND THE ANNUAL HAWAII CONVENTION.**

3. That Item 2.9.D (Serve as a voting member on the Hawaii Annual State Convention Steering Committee.) on page 2 under Alternate Chair’s Duties be deleted.

4. That Item 3.1 the words “The area chair appoints the standing committee chairs, with the exception of the Convention Steering Committee in conjunction with the other area officers.” be changed to read. The area chair appoints the standing committee chairs, in conjunction with other area officers. (Page 3)

5. That Item 3.2 the words “The assembly must confirm all standing committee chairs, except the Convention Steering Chair” be changed to read, The assembly must confirm all standing committee chairs. (Page 3)

6. That Item 3.7.B on page 4 Convention Steering: Oversees all matters concerning the Hawaii Annual State Convention. (See Appendix C for complete and detailed information about this committee.) be deleted.

7. Appendix C: Convention Steering Committee Guidelines (pages C-1 through C-8) be deleted.

8. Change Appendix D (Website Committee) to C in the Table of Contents and Appendix D to Appendix C in the website section.

Submitted by Deborah S., Alternate Delegate Panel 73

## 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.