

Hawaii Area 17 2022 Fall Committee Meeting
Saturday, October 15, 2022
Hosted on Maui District 5, Maui No Ka Oi
Agenda is subject to change

8:00: Breakfast served.

8:15: Waiting Room Opens

9:00: Call to Order | Declaration of Unity |

Welcome Past Delegates: Colleen Panel 69

Sobriety Anniversaries: August/ September/October, Congratulations! Karen, Jubee Lea 9-22

Host DCM Announcements: Lea DCM 5- welcomed everyone, acknowledged Brandon, Neal, David, fruit flowers can all go home with you as long as it's not in a pot, pointed out the bathroom.

Deborah S. presented housekeeping;

BREAK- Technical difficulties

9:27: Reading by Kimo, Standing Committee Chair/CC/Cooperation with the Professional Community, on Concept 9

Quorum: 26 voting members quorum is 14

9:30 Accept 2022 Committee Meeting Minutes May of 2022

Deborah L.

May, 2022 Spring Committee Meeting –PASSED

Accept the Treasurer's Financial Report: Mike L.

Eric motioned, SCC Website to accept the treasurers report/ Sean C 2nd

Comments:

Sean C. SCC Website Chair: clarified the link for air flights is correct. commented the link for Cliff/ District Committee Member 3- confirmation was provided regarding the PO Box address for the area's contributions can be found on the area website.

Treasurer's Financial reported –ACCEPTED

Area Officer's Reports:

Secretary: Deborah L.

It's been a great past 2 years, don't really have to report, it's been an awesome experience when going over your reports for the minutes to be able to feel your passion for AA as a whole. For the upcoming minutes, if you see please refer to the area17aa.org, for your reports, there you will be able to find your reports, great resource to refer to if you are looking for archives in your district and/or area.

Grateful to be of your service,

Deborah L./ Secretary

Registrar: Eric V.

Aloha Peeps,

Not much to report. I have had a few new GSRs in the last month or two but that is about it on the registrar's front. Stoked to be in Haiku. One of the most beautiful places on earth.

Eric Vannatta

Alternate Delegate: Tommy G.

Alternate Delegates Report
Fall Committee Meeting

Aloha Area 17 Trusted Servants,

First, I want to thank No Ka Oi District #5 for hosting this committee meeting. Time has gone by so fast, our last committee meeting of Panel 71 is upon us. Thank you to our officers, standing committees and our districts for making this panel full of hope and service through love and tolerance, especially working with our GSR's helping them unite their groups with AA as a whole and helping the groups be more informed.

Most of the time I would report on my duties but today I have a few things to share of what happened since our last assembly. First is the honor of attending the Pacific Regional forum in Salt Lake City Utah. It was the first time for me visiting the state of Utah and it was wonderful. I will share more later on my experience there.

The one duty I would like to emphasize on is being a member of the AHC steering committee. I am proud to be a part of the first convention in 2 years and would like to commend our steering committee members on working very hard on making this year's convention possible. I would really like to ask everyone to take back to their groups that we are still taking applications for the convention chair for 2023 and also applications for Treasurer and Secretary for AHC. It is vital for us to fill these positions for to have successful conventions in the future.

I'm also looking forward to our elections assembly in November to forward service in Hawaii, Area 17. I look forward to seeing most of you stand for positions in our area.

With love and service,

Tommy G, Alternate Delegate

Alternate Chair: Jeannie G.

Alt Chair Report

2022 Fall Committee Meeting Report Hawaii Area 17 Panel 71

10/15/2022

Aloha Trusted Servants,

My name is Jeannie and I am an alcoholic. I currently serve as your Hawaii Area 17 Alternate Chair. I apologize for not attending today; I underwent surgery a few days ago. Thank you all for your patience and understanding in working with me through email and text to help fulfill my duties as Alternate Chair and thank you Deborah for filling in where I could not! We have nearly all our area committee members in attendance today. Thank you for giving me an opportunity to trust our "trusted servants"!

I would like to thank our officers, Lea V DCM, District 5 No Ka Oi, and Brandon L for facilitating today.

My duties as outlined in 2.9 of the Structure and Guidelines for Hawaii Area 17 General Service are as follows:

A. Perform the duties of the area chair in their absence.

B. Arrange meeting places and hospitality for all area assemblies and committee meetings.

- ● Gina, DCM for District 2 Honolulu, is preparing for the 100% in-person 2022 Election Assembly on November 19th and 20th. The deadline for homestay requests is November 9th. After the deadline, a homestay will be on a first-come-first-serve basis, but there is no guarantee homestay will be provided. Also, because the meals are catered, we are asked to provide a head count by November 15th, you must be registered online by then. After the deadline, we will do our best but you may be asked to provide your own meals. So please register online at area17aa.org, even if you do not have your flights. All members must register online and send in the paper registration fee included on the flyer.
- ● Kerwin N, DCM for District 8 West Hawaii, is preparing for the 100% in-person 2023 Orientation Assembly on January 21st and 22nd at the Imin Center just mauka of Kailua Kona.
- ● I can not express enough how important it is to register early and send in your registration fee. By doing so those who provide homestay, transportation, and meals are better prepared for you. I ask our DCMs to check their email daily, especially the two weeks before assemblies. The information sent out is essential to forward to your GSRs in a timely manner.
- ● Hawaii Area 17 will continue online registration throughout the rest of the year and hopefully into the next panel. The spreadsheet that is generated by the online registration form has greatly helped our area officers, hosting district DCM, registration, transportation, homestaPey, and food chairs.

C. Serve as a member of the finance committee.

D. Serve as a voting member on the Hawaii Annual State Convention Steering Committee. We meet once a

month and I will pass reporting on to Kawika, our Convention Steering Chair.

E. Serve as temporary group registrar, recording secretary, or treasurer if any of these officers are absent. F. Appoint the area's standing committee chairs in conjunction with other area officers. That was done at the

beginning of Panel 71.

Thank you all for your service, and thank you for the opportunity to serve. I am so very grateful to be such a small part of an even greater whole.

With love and service, Jeannie G _____

Chair: Deborah S.

Please refer to area17aa.org for report

10:00:

Delegate Report: Kunane D. (Alt Delegate presented report for Kunani D.)

Please refer to area17aa.org for report

10:20 BREAK

10:44 Resume

Opened with serenity prayer

Host DCM announcements

10:45 **Round tables (Officers, Standing Committee Chairs, DCMs & Intergroup Chairs)**

11:45 **Intergroup Chair Reports**

Donny: Oahu Intergroup Chair

11/09/22 OIG elections will be a Palama Settlement in person at 6:30 pm. Next Saturday on 10-22-22 workshop on Unified In Love and Service (Panel speakers: Deborah S./ Chair, Area17 Panel 71, Tommy G., Alternate Delegate, and Sean /SCC Treatment and Accessibilities . Oahu Intergroup is looking for a new location, possibly at University Avenue. New Groups need to be verified by the DCM or Intergroup Rep, register group with GCO once, once registered- stay active.

Dave: Maui Intergroup Chair

Bitter sweet trying to fix the torch, steering committee doing is to ensure positions are filled to avoid interruptions, going back live for the holiday alkathon, 2nd alkathon hosting, groups are stepping up to host the holiday alkathons, slowly coming back, budgets will be updated and improved in December, elections coming up in December. Expressed gratitude for those in service

12:00: Lunch (60 min)

1:00: **Area Standing Committee Chairs and DCMs Roundtable report backs**

DCM Host Announcements

Standing Committee Chair Reports

Christi- Standing Committee Chair Grapevine

Aloha all,

Chris alcoholic reporting in for Grapevine. I have been busy with distribution of Grapevine books and magazines to numerous facilities. I was able to give Waiawa correctional facility books and Grapevines. As well as the Hawaii state hospital and Women's Way. I will be delivering books and grapevines to The Salvation Army ARC program as well.

I plan on ordering more products to distribute and display at the convention at the end of this month as well. I have also been able to do grapevine education with new grapevine representatives across the state. I would be happy to do more grapevine and education for the AA

groups if you could spread the word. There will be free shipping on all products from November 1st through December 31st. There will also be an increase in prices on grapevine books and other items as of January 2023.

Thank you for letting me serve Chris N

Ernest S. Standing Committee Chair Archives

Aloha my name is Ernest and I'm a alcoholic. I serve as archives share for Area 17 Panel 71. I'd like to thank Maui's No Ka Oi District 5 for hosting our hybrid committee meeting as we prepare for the upcoming elections assembly. Also want to thank our Area Officers for co-hosting.

Archives serves as a permanent repository of materials pertaining to Hawaii AA, Area 17, it's Districts and the history of Area 17. I'll be archiving materials from our Area Assemblies, Committee Meetings, Workshops hosted by Districts or home groups involving members of Area 17.

I've sent the documents from our Budget Assembly to the Area webmaster so it can be posted on the Area Website. Once again if there's anyone who would like to archive their work done her in Panel 71, please e-mail archieves@area17aa.org and I'll store in a folder created for Panel 71.

That's all I have for my report, thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Ernest S.

Archives Chair, Area 17 Panel 71

Sean F. Standing Committee Chair/ Treatment and Accessibilities

What does the Committee do?: "Coordinate the work of individual A.A. member and groups who carry the A.A. message of recovery to alcoholics in treatment facilities, and sets up means of bridging the gap from treatment to A.A. In addition, the committee supports that work of individual A.A. members and groups endeavoring to ensure that those with accessibility concerns, including those who live in underserved or remote communities, have access to the A.A message. The committee will review all aspects of service to A.A. with accessibilities issues and make recommendations for changes and/or improvements." (pg. 46 A.A. Service Manual-2023)

How will the committee do this?: So since we last met in August, we have done the little things necessary to keep the momentum rolling. Our shipping department has been busy. The importance of continually replenishing our locations has been the priority as of last. We are getting ready for our baton passing by emptying stock and informing facilities and members of the changing coming in November, as well as preparing for a smooth transition.

Other topics: As we always strive to do through committee, we want to recognize the members who have continued our efforts to support facilities. Mahalo to Jamie B. on Maui for playing a big role in helping us keep Maui Recovery, BHH, and Aloha House replenished. Also, Molly B. on Big Island has helped us in getting a footprint in Honu House in Kaloko. As well as David N. from Kam IV, helping us with Kokua BHH in Honolulu. All I all we are committed to carrying our message together as a committee

Kimo Standing Committee Chair for Cooperation with the Professional Community.

Continue to handout cards that says Who We Are, What We Do and How to Find Us, to various agencies, i.e. corrections, doctor's offices, police station and other agencies that are interested. CPC committee also making announcements at meetings, Kimo, himself is carrying the message to other professionals that call the treatment center that he works at, and is working on setting up a presentation with the professionals.

Jubee Standing Committee Chair Correction

Aloha Family

So grateful to be here in person. Mahalo to the Districts who put there time and effort into this Assembly.

Since we last met I've received a request from Chaplin Barbara for some literature for our members on the inside. A dozen Big books soft copy and a dozen Twelve and Twelves was ordered and Mike L. received the invoice from Oahu Central Office and a check will be sent, if not already done. Thanks Mike.

So far on the Big Island facilities are still closed for meetings. Maui MCCC is up and running. I received an update from David F. a past voluncore member, whom I'm grateful for, Mahalo David. He informed me of all facilities that are open. They are as follow.

1. WCF
2. OCCC
3. HCF
4. WCCC
5. FDC
6. BRIGS

What a great feeling to know our members on the inside are receiving the message. Mahalo to all the Voluncors who take their time off to go in.

Mahalo for letting me be of service..

Jubee B.

CSCC

Karen Standing Committee Chair Mynah Bird

What the Mynah Bird Standing Committee did to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous: The content of the Mynah Bird reflect the vibrant and diverse AA community in Hawaii Area 17. Since the Budget Assembly, I sent out initial emails to Area Officers, Standing Committee Chairs, DCM's and GSR's who are assigned to the Mynah Bird Committee. I requested articles and flyers for upcoming events, both in Area 17 and in AA as a whole. I also sent out a couple of reminder emails closer to this Committee meeting. I received a couple of articles and some flyers. I also sought articles from members here on Maui. Mahalo to Kunane for keeping me informed about requests from GSO.

The current issue of the Mynah Bird is posted on the Area website, and I have printed copies here at the Committee meeting.

The next issue will be for the Election Assembly which is only 5 weeks away. I will again be requesting articles. I am hopeful that I will get some from the officers and Committee Chairs who have not yet contributed articles.

Mahalo to District 5 for hosting this event and I look forward to seeing everyone again next month on Oahu.

Karen N. Standing Committee Chair/Mynah Bird

Bill M. Standing Committee Chair/Public Information

The PI Committee continues to make their presence available to the online community.

Workshop plans have been cancelled at this time.

Continue to support US VETS Waianae's request for AA information.

Just a reminder, we are available to conduct online or in-person presentations. Please send your request to pi@area17aa.org or visit our website at <http://hawaiiarea17pi.org>

Trusted servant,

Bill M./PI-SCC

Mike L. Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee met via texts and email. We approved keeping suggested contributions at \$25 for Area Assemblies and Committee Meetings, and having Area send additional fund to the hosting District above the \$425 seed money

Thank You to my friend on the Finance Committee

-Mike L.

Sean C. Standing Committee Chair Website

Job Description: Services as webmaster and administrator of the Hawaii Area 17 (and any ancillary services, such as email) insuring that information following current guidelines is available in a timely fashion and technical services and training are provided as needed.

The only new item to reports on is that I have changed the view of how the archive directories and files are displayed so they are easier to read and browse.

Grateful to be of Service,

Sean C, Area Website Standing Committee Chair.

District Committee Member Report

Karen District Committee Member, District 9

"Hi everybody. I'm Karen and I'm an alcoholic-DCM for District 9 North Shore and Central Oahu. Thank you to District 5, the Tech team and the Area Officers for putting this Committee meeting on. We are continuing to reopen our meetings in district 9. Attendance is gradually getting better for our in -person meetings and many of our online meetings have gone back to in person. We are seeing old friends come out of isolation and bring their experience, strength and hope back to our meetings. Also, we have many new comers coming and getting sober. We will be holding our New Years Eve Alcathon at the Waialua Community Center this year. I am sad our Panel is coming to a close and I will always think of this as the COVID panel. We are the COVID DCMs. In my opinion we served in a time of unprecedented challenges in the History of AA, and we got through it. AA is still going strong in district 9 and everywhere. Thank you for letting me be of service."

Thanks,
Karen O.
DCM 9

Catherine Alternate District Committee Member, District 8

District meeting well attended, approximately 15 people attending district meetings, will be hosting the orientation assembly January 21, 22 in Kona.
Hoping to do a Safety workshop, however has not been able to nail down location, date and time.

Adriana District Committee Member, District 1

All is well within the district, have secured location for the alkathon, slowly getting word out to see if anyone wants to host meals and take time slots for meetings. I have been attending group consciences within the district informing them of the service i.e., what is a GSR, also making offers as to what groups need help with. Going to start announcing elections and personally invite people to come to our district election meetings.

Teresa District Committee Member, District 10

Working hard to finalize and approve district structures and guidelines that was improved in October, for the next panel. Saturday Night Live is back in person –

Keleka K. District Committee Member, District 4

What District 4 did to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous:

Aloha Area Officers, Standing committees and Trusted Servants,

First I would like to thank District 5 for hosting the Fall Committee. Since our last assemdbly District 4 continues to meet on the last Thursday of month at 6pm via virtual platform. The district has also decided to meet virtual for the next upcoming panel. We had our last district meeting where there was 10 in attendance 7 of them were GSR's. Each home group continues to report that attendance is doing well. Na Wahine O Koolau has reported that they have switched back to an in-person meeting which is a closed meeting for women that meets Saturdays 10am at St. Christopher's Church. Pau Hana has also announced that they will be going live on Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays 5pm at Kailua Beach Park where TYG meets, they could use some support. Hang loose announce that they will be having a potluck on 10/22/22 from 10am to 4pm all are welcome bring a dish, we will be celebrating John M. will be making 40 yrs in sobriety. District 4 is currently working on our upcoming Christmas and New Years Alkathons, we are currently having difficulties finding a venue and are looking at other options. If anyone knows of a possible venue please see me after the committee meeting.

Mahalo for letting me be of service,

Keleka K. DCM4

Keola District Committee Member, District 6

We are having a thankathon on Kauai – in-person, 11 turkeys to be cooked in the imu. New DCM, Keola has been elected for the next panel.

Gina B. District Committee Member District 2

What District 2 did to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous: Aloha and Thank you or having us. Since we last met, District 2 has been busy with planning or the upcoming Elections Assembly and the New Year's Alcathon. Most things are in place and are ready to go. We have a couple of new groups in attendance and are eager to be involved, which is a great refreshment. Aloha Friday and Beretania Discussion needs support. Other than that, we continue to push forward and do what we can to help the alcoholic. We recently changed the time of District 2's District Meeting to 6pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month. IN response to Kunani's report, may be possible the DCM's reach out to the groups in their districts and report to the registrar. Makes the registrars job easier? Just me thinking out loud. At the beginning of this panel, I reached out to all the groups in district 2. I quickly found out that not all groups want to participate with Area. It was not a pleasant experience.

Julie District Committee Member District

District 13 – Area Committee Mtg Report: District 13 includes West Maui, Molokai and Lanai. D13 has grown we have a full committee – our alt is active and doing a lot to conn to other mtgs & attending intergroup almost monthly. Our district committee mgt is well attended and input and participation is active, 3 GSRs conducted group inventories and keeping the communication flowing between district and their groups. We have 22 meetings on Zoom, 38 in person. We still have 5 outer island meetings that would love to see you! And one in person beach potluck mtg on Lanai 1st Sat. D13 offers ferry tix for any1 who needs. Passing around the meeting information and will try to post it on the zoom display. Covid is still holding back the return to the crossing but both Maui and Molokai are motivated and ready for another one. There was no interest in having District inventory. We are holding a facilitated election for Panel 72 District committee members, in person at our original meeting location, Nov 17 at 5:30PM. We are hoping committee members will stay on or warm transfer their positions for Panel 72 and are announcing it at all D13 meetings.

Marilyn Y. District Committee Member, District 11

Working on distributing funds by purchasing literature, contributed subscriptions to people who requested them, contributed funds to other- aa-related activities, putting a prudent on the side to be able to put on a workshop, elections are coming up, making announcements in meetings-

asking shakers and movers in the fellowship to help make announcements that elections is coming up. Enjoyed the connection in the past several years, the fellowship and the food, thank you.

Lea District Committee Member District 5

Thanked, all members for their commitment and service for this Fall October Committee Meeting 2022 that made it a success, i.e. meals, transportation, set-up/breakdown, and the floral decorations. (MAUI NO KA OI)

2:15: Round table Report Backs Virtual/ in Person

Sean C website –Standing Committee Chairs

October 2022 Standing Committee Roundtable

Deborah Area Chair joined roundtable

Sean F Treatment & Accessibilities chaired

Passing the baton; what are we doing to prepare for helping the next servant.

Karen Mynah has been thinking about this issue, seems asking people directly for articles works better than mass emails. Has been asking Officers about what are hardest and easiest and most enjoyable aspects of their position, she has received limited response. Has been interesting 2 years, but has not thrown computer out window yet.

Kimo CPC has passed cards out to some professionals, has offered online presentations, loves position and looking forward to hopefully serving in another position.

Ernest Archives will show next person how he does things so they can use what is helpful in developing their way.

Bill PI coming out of Covid, committee commitment has faltered some and tentative November workshop may not happen. Will pass on what he has done to help PI expand its efforts to help it continue to grow across the islands. Hopes next person will continue work he has started.

Jubee Corrections previous chair help inform him at beginning of panel, he will do same with next. Go into area service through YPAA service. Hopes the connection between Area and YPAA grows and would like them to be invited into Area service. Has a brief moment of overwhelm and resigned for a few hours, but is grateful he jumped back in. Good to spread the word and raise enthusiasm about area service.

Sean C Website

Will have a preliminary online training session with next Website Chair going through all of the steps to manage the website, web & domain hosting services and Google Workspace email & services. I will also have them work with me through the process of preparing for the Orientation Assembly and be available for any support needed with the email transition or any other needs at beginning of next panel.

Mike Treasurer / Finance Committee Chair will pass on all information as possible in the same fashion that previous treasurer did with him, discussion was has with officers about assembly costs as we move to meeting partially and fully in person, and it was decided that area picking up some of the costs as we transition is best rather than putting all burden on registration costs.

Sean F Treatment & Accessibilities easiest way to pass on baton is to share what he has accomplished and learned; setting attainable goals with the help of service sponsorship, let committee members know the serve their groups first. Feels like he fell short on working in unison with other Standing Committees. Did well with getting established across the islands, looking forward to serving further.

Christi Grapevine only in last quarter has been able to accomplish some of the planned outreach, looking forward to passing the baton to next person.

Deborah Area Chair thanks everyone for the service. Will have us write a panel summary to help pass on position that will go on website and into Mynah Bird.

Adriana District Committee Member

Discussed ways to encourage members with more involvement/service in the district level. It was suggested that we go out to meetings and make announcements, personally invite members to the district meetings, workshops on service with intent to motivate members that are actively involved in service in their home groups, share personal experience with service in the district level.

Area Officers report back

Discussed next Plan-the-Plan meeting for the upcoming Election Assembly to go over what is going on and the closing of Panel 71, letting go, being willing and open to another service commitment. Focused on the Elections Assembly on November 19, 20 2022 that is going to be 100% in person. Talked about “Plan B” if in case we need to go back to utilizing the virtual platform, especially hearing that there is a new strand of the Covid virus expected during the holidays. For those willing to serve, standing and qualification will be in person, if unable to attend and stand, the area will not be creating a virtual link. For person(s) interested to serve as a Standing Committee Chair, you will need to write out your top 3 SCC of interest and submit them to Deborah S. at chair@area17aa.org or submit your requests into the hat at the Elections Assembly. Registration fee will remain at \$25.00.

2:30: New Business

Agenda- Elections Assembly for Panel 73, November 19, 20 2022 at the Ala Wai Golf Club, still in the process for securing the venue; will be in-person.

At the Mic: Pacific Regional Forum Attendees can take the mic to share what they saw, heard, and felt.

Tommy: Alternate Delegate P71 , Home Group Defective Character.

Shared it was an interesting forum, attended one in Kona, and LA

It was an interesting forum. Talked about technology and electronic payments that is resulting in a drop -in costs of over 50%. Shared his experience at the PRAASA being amongst different ethnicities, specifically the Hispanic members and how there area interpreters translating that made it feel inclusive regardless of differences in language. He did a presentation and for 10 minutes, he has everyone’s attention as they enjoyed trying to pay attention to what he was

saying being from Hawaii, further commenting that when he came into the fellowship 22 years ago, there were few local people and it has grown. Over all he expressed it was a fun 3-days and if anyone can save up, it would be worth- while going.

Deborah S.:

I too had the privilege of attending- able to have this on our priority of spending that we are able to attend, take- aways- did sit in on the break out rooms, my mind was focused on registration because that was my service for the forum. Utah- beautiful buildings- had the do-terra convention, the whole area was flooded with people, lots to do, that experience of walking to the forum, as member of alcoholics anonymous, everyone should experience, GSO came down to give us and orientation of what goes on at GSO, one of my take away was on the paid workers, we got to go out to lunch- the literature desk person was a paid worker- that shared the things that they do and what they enjoyed- the fellowship was just about people and their experience with service and how long they been in service. Concept 11 – wanted to feel the comrade amongst all, and she did, the level of trustworthiness, continuing to be responsible and the connectedness in AA.

Ask It Basket/ What's on your mind/ What to Take Back

No questions in the basket.

What to take back:

- Elections Assembly will be hosted by District 2 at the Ala Wai Golf Course Club November 19 & 20, 2022 –in person ala wai Election assembly district 2- DCM/Gina B.
- Announce to GSR's to register early-available on the area website: area17aa.org,
- Members may submit top 3 Standing Committee Chair of their interest to Deborah S. via email: chair@area17aa.org or in the hat
- Submit your Panel 71 final summer reports to the Mynah Bird (Karen) by 11-12-22, to mynahbird@area17aa.org (may use as your report at the Election Assembly)
- Look forward to the Orientation Assembly, January 21, 22, 2023, hosted by District 8, West Hawaii. Special Guest is our Pacific Regional Trustee, Reilly.

3:00:

Chair/Deborah S., Entertained a motion to close this committee meeting

Motion to adjourn: Lea

Second the motion: Sean C

3:14: Adjourned with the Responsibility Statement (All)