

Puna District 12 meeting minutes

March 12th, 2011

*Meeting **called to order** at 3:11pm. Members in attendance are Ken C. (DCM), Freddi (Alt DCM), Noel (Treasurer), and GSR's Gene (Bounce Back), Linda (Nooney Tunes), Tim) and Brenda (4th Dimension), Margaret (Back Porch Step Study) and Chris (Area P.I. Chair)

***Motion** "To approve February 5th meeting minutes. **2nd, Approved.**

***Treasurers Report-** Noel reported that District has \$1,344.00 in the account after last month's expenditures. **Motion, 2nd, "To accept Treasurers Report. Approved.**

Noel discussed the possibility of District making a contribution to Intergroup, perhaps \$50.00 per month. Discussion followed. No motion at this time.

Ken C. brought receipts and settled all monies for Committee and PRAASA airfare and registration. Amount refunded District is \$28.21.

***GSR Reports-**Gene from Bounce Back spoke of lack of 7th Tradition funds and is emphasizing the need for contributions. He will be attending April's assembly. Tim from 4th Dimension noted lots of new people at the meeting and presented Treasurer with 7th Tradition contribution from the group. Linda from Nooney Tunes reported new members. The group is sending her to the Assembly in April. Margaret from B.P.S.S. is unable to attend the Assembly. She is a Delegate for the 2014 Woman's Conference and warned "fund raising will commence soon." Margaret is still taking woman's meetings into the jails. DCM Ken asked her if she would fill the open position of District Corrections Standing Committee Chair. After discussion, Margaret **stood** for the position, and was **approved** unanimously.

***Standing Committee Reports-** Newly elected Margaret for Corrections expressed the need for books to take into the jails; soft cover Big Books, 12 and 12's, and the pamphlet "Inmate to Inmate" DCM Ken mentioned "Bridging the Gap", a program where members can become anonymous pen pals with inmates in need. There is a conference September 9th-11th in Sacramento, Ca. For information write corrections@area17aa.org

At this time, Tim F. **stood** for the position of District Archives Chair and was **approved** unanimously. Tim for Archives is collecting any information; old schedules, pictures, group histories, buttons, stickers, and the like to be included in the Archives. Area Public Information Chair Chris spoke of information that is available through Area/G.S.O., including public service announcements for TV and radio, racks of pamphlets to display at public events. P.I. works closely with C.P.C. For more info contact her at pi@area17aa.org At this time, Linda **stood** for the open position of District P.I. Chair, and was **approved** unanimously. Linda for P.I. expressed a need for information at the hospital. She will work with Chris to make it happen. Gene for Convention stated a need for public relations work to get members more enthused. He will be meeting with the Area Chair at April's Assembly.

***DCM Report** Ken gave a short accounting of his experiences at PRAASA, with the promise of composing all his notes and making them available soon. Copies of the latest edition of the "Myna Bird", along with the Inform the Delegate Assembly registration flier were passed out.

***Old Business-** Noel checked on the PO Box for District at Keaau. None were available. Ken asked if we could be put on the waiting list. Noel will ask.

***New Business-** District 12's assigned topic for the Inform the Delegate Assembly is on the motion to reconsider creating literature, which focuses on spirituality, including stories from atheists and agnostics. DCM Ken passed out the 17-page "background" of the motion to reconsider. He explained the importance of the Minority Opinion, and the need to review the request with an open mind. GSR's are to discuss the topic with their homegroup members and bring back ideas on how/what to present to the Assembly.

Airfare for DCM to attend the Inform the Delegate Assembly. **Motion, 2nd, Approved.**

Treasurer will cut a check for \$250.00 for DCM's airfare.

Founders Day/Delegates Report Back, June 12th. Looking for someone to provide homestay for the Delegate. Margaret offered to assist.

2012 Assemblies Next year Hawaii Island will be hosting three assemblies. Puna District will host the Budget Assembly. We need to start a committee soon.

***Reading of Concept 3.**

***Next District Meeting** Linda looked into renting the Keaau Community Center. They are asking for a \$200.00 deposit now, so it is no longer an option. Margaret offered the use of her home. **Motion, 2nd, Approved.** Next meeting will be the first Saturday of April (4-2-11), at 3pm. Location is Oscar and Margaret's back porch.

***Things to Bring Back to Groups-** Grapevine is asking subscribers to switch from the printed edition to online digital. Doing so will save Grapevine money.

Budget Assembly for 2011 has been moved to October to allow more time to receive fiscal report from G.S.O. and discuss it with the groups.

Topic for Inform the Delegate Assembly- Motion to Reconsider Spirituality Literature.

***Motion to Adjourn**

***Closed with the Responsibility Statement**

Respectively submitted, Ken C.