

What To Take Back Budget Assembly : August 15th 2026 Hosted by District 2.

- Due to severe weather regarding Hurricane Lala, all business matters were completed on the Saturday, 8-15-26, and Sunday was cancelled due to Flood Warnings on Oahu.
- District 2, was able to provide Hybrid that made it available for those who could not be with in person, included, Thank you District 2 and all who assisted with this process. There were 65 members in person and 14 online at the time of the establishment of a quorum of 41.
- All business matters was conducted and complete on the first day of the assembly in the following order:
 1. Inform the Delegate Assembly Minutes- Passed by simple majority
 2. Treasurers Report- Passed by substantial unanimity
 3. 2027 Proposed Budget-Passed by substantial unanimity
 4. Report back on the Area's Inventory presented by the Area Chair, lessons learned- We keep communication consistent, stay connected, continue learning and make sure the voice of the Fellowship as a whole continues to be heard. Methods of communication whether is in existence or been developed are, emails, phone messaging through texting or calling, frequenting the area website, utilizing the area google calendar, and we've also seen communication happening through other avenues where members area sharing information about upcoming Area meetings, business meetings and workshops being presented by the area, districts and area committee chairs. Another concern was continuing to strengthen our understanding of the Traditions and Concepts that guide us in our fellowship and service. I have seen much improvement in these areas and hoping that there continues to be an ongoing contingency in these areas. Lastly the talk about conducting our business meetings including Hybrid, as we all can see, today was a last minute decision to include Hybrid indicating that if need to, it is possible. For the record, being that we are close to the ending of this panel, we will continue to meeting in person as for the next panel, I am not sure where this will go. I do know Covid and going back to in-person meetings, the participation has been consistent in regards to participation- it has increased and remained steady thus far. I fore see this to be a topic to be discussed in the future with total reliance of the outcome from the fellowship of Area 17.
 5. The following proposals were presented to be brought back to the homegroups/fellowship to be reviewed/discussed and voted on at the Elections Assembly hosted by District 1 Diamond Head November 7-8, 2026:
 - a) S&G AD HOC committee: ***"To remove from both the Area Delegate and the Area Chair duties line B and Line E respectively, "Serve as a voting member of the Oahu Intergroup , when invited."***
 - b) S&G AD HOC committee: ***"Arrange meeting places and hospitality for all area assemblies and committee meetings." to read "Assist host DCM to arrange meeting places for all area assemblies and committee meetings."***
 - c) S&G AD HOC committee: ***In Secretary's Duties, remove line D "Assist the area chair to publish an agenda thirty (30) days before each assembly or committee meeting." And***

remove line H "Send copies of approved area minutes to the Conference Coordinator at G.S.O."

- d) S&G AD HOC committee: In Registrar's Duties, remove line C "Notify area committee members of upcoming area meetings."*
- e) To create a new standing committee - **Cooperation With the Young Community (CYC)** to the Area 17 Structures & Guidelines Section 3.7 (Standing Committees). Add the following item after Section 3.7 K. (Website): **L. Cooperation With the Young Community (CYC): Oversees and coordinates activities related to carrying the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to younger populations and sharing information about the A.A. program with the young community. If approved, this new standing committee position will take effect beginning with Panel 77.***
- f) Create an Area 17 Standing Committee focused on Safety and Inclusion*
- g) **Communication with the Elder- Community (PAI- Proposed Agenda Item)** for GSC- That the General Service Conference consider gathering shared experience from the Fellowship regarding how A.A. members and groups support alcoholics who are approaching the end of life, including informal practices sometimes referred to as "last meetings," and that this experience be developed into Conference-approved literature or a service piece*
**** For more detailed information if needed please reference these proposals that is available on the area's website on the homepage. ****

Additional Comments:

The area chair is accepting interest information on those who are willing to serve as an Area Committee Chair, i.e Public Information, Corrections, Archives, Cooperation w/the Professional Community, Mynah Bird, Website, Treatment and Accessibilities, Convention Steering, and Grapevine. Please contact Deborah L /area chair with the following information: Full Name, contact info (phone number and email, sobriety date, and (2) positions that you are interested in with your service history by November 21st. These will be passed on the Panel 77 incoming chair for the appointing of the position.

Deborah L's Info: chair@area17aa.org / (808) 275-7151

Next order of business: September Committee Meeting, hosted by District 17 on September 19, 2026 (GSR's are not required to attend)

Lastly- I thank everyone who made our business assembly possible- despite the circumstances that we were faced with. You are all greatly appreciated.

*In love and service,
Deborah L/ Panel 75, Area Chair*

