

DCM Jonathan D called the meeting to order at 9:30am, and we opened with the ***Declaration of Unity***. Twelve persons were present, representing eight groups. New Business added to the agenda; volunteers read the Checklists for Tradition Eight (I liked the notion of "experts on humility" mentioned in [question 4](#)) and Concept Eight.

**Secretary report:** No report available.

**Treasurer's report:** Steve Q provided a verbal Treasurer's report; report accepted.

**Alternate DCM/Intergroup:** **Vacant – no report.** **Alternate DCM** still very much needed!

**DCM report:** DCM Jonathan D is looking for committees to plan and serve the upcoming Inventory Assembly which Kaua'i District 6 is hosting January 30-31, 2016. These would include Homestay and Transportation. Jim duB nominated Steve Q to serve on Registration, as he regularly picks up mail from District 6 post office box; Donna Jo volunteered to assist Steve on committee. Several Groups have mentioned sponsoring a meal (five total meals). DCM expressed appreciation for the turnouts to the Delegate's Reports last weekend.

### **GSR reports :**

- **Happy Hour** – Crystal B reported that two meetings have gone dark: the Monday 5:30am meeting at Nāwiliwili, and the water meeting at Lydgate. Happy Hour Group has begun meeting at the tables diagonally across Nāwiliwili Beach Park from the Anchor Cove parking lot, southeastern corner near the beach. Also reported their Group has committed to fix breakfast at the Inventory Assembly Sunday morning, January 31, 2016.
- **Hui Lokahi Men's Stag** – Christian reported their well-attended meeting has started passing a "second basket" to donate to Corrections.
- **Steps To Freedom** – Steve introduced Alt GSR Amanda; Group has new meeting secty and coffee person; my notes read "+1 meal" .. not sure if that means they've committed to preparing one meal for the Inventory Assembly...???
- **Young People's** – Lance shared that their Group may be putting together a once-a-month meeting at Wilcox Hospital. Also shared that YP does not equal NP (**dang notes - I'm firing myself** --- possibly that "Young people does not necessarily mean New people" ??)
- **Koloa Aloha** – well-attended Fridays at 8am, Sundays at 7am, no catastrophes; Friday meeting needs secretary – (might start making the **last** person arriving to serve as secretary for that day); group of men started a 12-step study workshop Monday afternoons from 4-5pm, was closed after certain number of meetings into the Steps.
- **Princeville-Hanalei** – Janice M said there were fifteen people at Cheryl's report-back on Friday night – nice turnout. (ps, Janice – thank you for picking up Cheryl at the airport and bringing her Friday.) Their Group is discussing length of sobriety time for meeting secretaries; has been six months, apparently some have been nominated that have less time; one suggestion was to have that person co-secretary a meeting with another person with more sober time. Their Group is also discussing budgeting to send their GSR to the Assemblies. DCM may attend Group Conscience to discuss importance of their GSR participating and Group staying plugged into AA as a whole.
- **Hui 'Ohana** – Donna Jo reported the Group meets daily at 7am at Lydgate. Their treasurer wants to rotate out of commitment.

### **Standing Committee Reports:**

- **Archives:** no report.
- **Corrections:** Keola reported \$73 spent for literature (?). Volincor training should be offered again in September or October.
- **CPC:** no report; Committee Chair may not be available to serve..?
- **Grapevine/Mynah Bird:** Jim duB is soliciting articles from Kaua'i Groups for the Area 17 Mynah Bird Newsletter.
- **Public Information:** PI Chair Lance L discussed the Kaua'i County Farm Bureau Fair happening now – August 13-14-15-16; most two-hour slots staffed, Jim provided his TV and CDs showing meeting places and Bill W talks(?). Donna Jo reported the pamphlets were almost gone.
- **CEC – Cooperation with the Elder Community:** no report.
- **Treatment Settings/Special Needs:** no report.

- **Website & New Business:** Susan Ok mentioned motion from Intergroup re what meetings to post on website and in meeting schedule. Former DCM questioned why District was discussing Intergroup business. Since there is no Alternate DCM serving as Liaison with Intergroup, and website serves both Intergroup and District as public information tool, discussion is appropriate. Also, **the motion was requested to be voted on by all AA members and Groups on Kaua'i**, and not all Groups have been sending representatives to Intergroup. Since the current webmadam is also the recorder of these minutes, she is taking this indulgence:

So, here's what started the meetings-on-the-schedule discussion for me. Several months ago a longtimer asked what was up with the "Little Red Book Study" meeting on the schedule for Tuesdays in Līhu'e. I hadn't known about it, nor had anyone requested that I post it on the web. We discussed it at the next Intergroup meeting, and I said I'd bring it up at the Sunday Serenity Group Conscience. Our Group made a motion that

**Literature study meetings to be listed on the website and schedule shall use literature such as is available from the Intergroup literature locker – that is, AA Grapevine booklets, AAWS books, booklets, pamphlets.**

Our Garden Island Sobriety newsletter editor included this motion in the August issue on page 5, asking "...that Kaua'i AA Groups discuss this at your Group Conscience business meetings and have your Groups' representatives bring your votes to the September 5<sup>th</sup> Intergroup meeting." This would allow all AA members on Kaua'i the opportunity to participate in the discussion and decision.

Last month (July) at the Hui 'Ohana Group Conscience when I mentioned the Sunday Serenity Group's motion re what meetings to post in the schedule and on the web, one newcomer with about ninety days, who was interested (naïve? brave? masochistic?) enough to come to the business meeting, held up the schedule and said "This schedule is like gold to me. Please don't take meetings OUT of it."

Several days ago a woman told me that when she was talking with a north shore friend about a "Primary Purpose" meeting, her friend said of course that should be in the schedule, even though that friend's Group's conscience had specified only AAWS and AA Grapevine literature in their written report a couple months ago.

I have shared at Intergroup and District that I'd be willing to include those meetings that use "outside" study guides **along with the Big Book or 12&12** as **workshops** on the web if they're notated. I also said I would adhere to the Group Conscience on the collective decision. For the time being, on the [Meetings webpage](#) I added this:

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On the front of the printable [two-page schedule](#) I added this note above the map:

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There may be a thousand and one study guides for the Big Book and 12&12, some of them excellent. My sense has been that Kaua'i AA should be consistent. If a Group wanted to use the Life Recovery Bible, which a warden promotes to inmates, in a 12-Step Study meeting, would that "study guide" also pressure that meeting's AAers to adopt additional beliefs not suggested in AA's program? If the webmadam were a devout follower and wanted to post that meeting, would Kaua'i AA have appropriate guidelines?

#### **Olde Business:**

- **District 6 Inventory:** How are we carrying the message? GSRs will draw questions out of a hat in September, to be taken back to their Groups for discussion; District inventory will be conducted at the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- **Area 17 Inventory Assembly on Kaua'i:** Happy Hour coordinating Sunday breakfast; transportation and home-stay volunteers needed; more will be revealed.

We closed with the Responsibility Pledge; next District meeting will be September 19<sup>th</sup>. Present today at the meeting:

<b>Member</b>	<b>Group</b>	<b>Vote?</b>	<b>Position</b>
Crystal B	<b>Happy Hour</b>	Yes	GSR
Jim duB	<b>Happy Hour</b>	No	Mynah Bird
DonnaJo G	<b>Hui 'Ohana</b>	Yes	GSR
Keola O	<b>Hui 'Ohana</b>	Yes	Corrections
Christian A	<b>Hui Lokahi Men's Stag</b>	Yes	GSR
Ann W	<b>Koloa Aloha</b>	Yes	GSR
Janice M	<b>Princeville-Hanalei</b>	Yes	GSR
Steve Q	<b>Steps To Freedom</b>	Yes	GSR, Treasurer
Amanda G	<b>Steps To Freedom</b>	No	Alt GSR
Susan Ok	<b>Sunday Serenity</b>	Yes	Webmadam
Lance L	<b>Young People's</b>	Yes	GSR
Jonathan D	<b>YPAA:BYOBB</b>	Yes	DCM