

HAWSC 58 Vision:

All people of Hawai'i have access to welcoming and vibrant Al-Anon Family Groups in their neighborhood.

HAWSC 58 Mission:

Reach inward to our ohana membership, reach outward to people still suffering, and broaden our communication bandwidth.

HAWSC 58 Goals:

1. Strengthen Hawaii fellowship by providing the information and resources needed for all Al-Anon members to thrive, grow, and increase capacity to best reach out to all people who are affected by someone else's drinking.
2. Attract new members by having a Public Outreach Coordinator in each district by Spring Assembly 2018 and to develop Area outreach projects by Fall Assembly 2018.
3. Increase diversity including generational, racial, ethnic, cultural, sexual orientation, and gender as defined by each district by December 2020.
4. Grow membership in Al-Anon by selecting and using communication strategies appropriate for diverse population to include the Hawaii Area website, HAWSC 58 Yahoo Group, Hawaii Area Calendars, face-to-face communication, internet technology, document sharing, and others by December 2020.
5. Assure Panel 58 members will become skilled practitioners of KBDM–Knowledge-Based Decision Making.

HAWAII AREA WORLD SERVICE

FALL ASSEMBLY

OCTOBER 20-21, 2018

HOSTED BY EAST HAWAII AT HILO HAWAIIAN HOTEL

MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 20, 2018, SATURDAY

7:00 a.m. Early Bird AFG Meeting led by Cathy G.

8:00 a.m. Registration

8:45 a.m. Assembly Orientation and Renewal Orientation were combined and conducted by Karin O, Alternate Delegate and Patti P, Delegate.

9:30 a.m. Serenity Prayer led by Penni S, Chairperson. She welcomed everyone and gave her insights on why we were here and why we were together.

Courage To Change, October 17 read by Brooke W, Literature.

Twelve Traditions read by Barbara A, East Hawaii District Representative and Co-Chairperson for 2018 Fall Assembly.

Announcements: Housekeeping by Barbara A; **Literature Table** by Brooke W; **Fundraising Table For TEAM** by Ethel B; and **Ask-It-Basket, Evaluations, Events** by Karin O. Information was given by members on the Important Dates at the end of the Agenda.

Introductions Of Officers, Coordinators, District Representatives, Group Representatives, and Members were made.

Kelsey B, Treasurer was not present. Receipts could be handed in. Checks for refunds would be mailed out at a later date.

Loretta A, Web Coordinator was not present. She would be available by telephone for Ask-It-Basket questions.

Henrietta C, Area Secretary said members could look at copies of the items in the Consent Agenda to be voted on tomorrow by the Group Representatives.

Assembly Etiquette by Penni S. There was a photo slideshow.

Bell Ringers (Bits of information taken from World Service Office Highlights, Inside Al-Anon, If The Walls Could Talk ...) read by Dana Rae H-#1, Dwight M-#2, Akemi K-M-#3, Dana D-#4, and Carolyn A-#5 throughout the day. (Refer to attachment.)

Delegate's Report by Patti P. She did an oral and written report. Her report was on the Chairperson of the Board Letter and the 2018 Membership Survey. (Refer to attachment.)

Announcements: Housekeeping by Barbara A.

Ala-Teen, What is AMIAS? by Ethel B. She went over the requirements for certification. There was a discussion on mandatory reporting. Jane S volunteered to head a task force. Penni S stated at our next Assembly we may have a workshop or a status on what has been done.

12:00 Lunch

1:00 p.m. Announcement: Area Alateen Coordinator Vacancy by Penni S.

District Representatives' Reports: Oral and written reports by Dianna F-Kauai; Akemi K-M-Central Oahu; Jane S-Maui; Theresa J-West Hawaii; and Barbara A- East Hawaii. (Refer to attachment.). Eileen P-Windward reported she is not the District Representative. She is a Group Representative and she has attended the District Representative's meeting. Their phone meetings increased participation. They have 8 groups with only 3 of them having Group Representatives. Spring Assembly will be on Mother's Day weekend.

Coordinator's Report by Carolyn A, Archives. She said we needed an Archives Coordinator in each District, talked about the history of ODAT (One Day At A Time), and asked for our Group's history.

Time Out Session with Karin O.

Presentation On Finances And Budget by Akemi K-M, Amy G, Dianna F, Jane S, Maureen M, and Sandy J. "What Is Financial Sanity" and "What Happens To Our Money"? There was a skit and members were separated into 4 groups for a workshop.

4:30 p.m. Adjourned.

6:00 p.m. Dinner

7:00 p.m. Saturday Evening Speaker was Brooke W.

8:15 p.m. Night Owl Al-Anon Meeting led by Karin O.

OCTOBER 21, 2018, SUNDAY

7:00 a.m. 11th Step AFG Meeting led by Dana Rae H.

8:00 a.m. Breakfast

9:00 a.m. Announcements: Housekeeping-Barbara A; Transportation-Patti P.

Spiritual Speaker was Dianna F.

Concept 1: Skit with Past and Present Delegates.

10:30 a.m. BUSINESS MEETING

Serenity Prayer led by Penni S.

Twelve Concepts Of Service And General Warranties Of The Conference read by Barbara A.

Courage To Change, October 21 read by Brooke W.

Roll Call by Henrietta C for Group Representatives and Alternate Group Representatives. There were 28 Group Representatives present. (Refer to attachment.)

There was a member present who was an Acting Group Representative. Another member questioned why Acting Group Representatives and Acting Alternate Group Representatives were eligible voters. There was a discussion. Acting Group Representatives and Acting Alternate Group Representatives are not eligible voters. Later in the day, the member who was an Acting Group Representative was voted in by her Group as their Group Representative. She was then eligible to vote.

Assembly Etiquette by Penni S, Beaky J, Carly, Dana D, Denise M, Dianna F, Dwight M, Kaitlin C, Mary, Patti P, Renee W, and Christy S. They did a rap.

Consent Agenda (2018 Spring Assembly: Minutes with minor corrections to the 2nd page regarding grammar-“Items to be covered:” changed to “Items covered:” at 2 places, District Representatives and Coordinators’ Reports, and Treasurer and Financial Committee Reports) **was approved** unanimously with 27 votes.

Note: The member who was an Acting Group Representative at the time voting took place, did not vote.

Proposed 2019 Budget by Jane S and Dana D. They went over the Budget in Sections and Line by Line. There were revisions and suggestions made. It was by unanimous decision to leave Section 1. Delegate Support For The World Service as is. “Outer Island” to be changed to “Neighbor Island” where ever it appeared in the document. Expenses for Fall Assembly-Maui in Section 2 would be increased. **(Continued to after Lunch)**

12:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m. Bell Ringers read by Renee W-#5 and Pualani-#6. (Refer to attachment.)

Proposed 2019 Budget (Continued from before Lunch) by Jane S and Dana D. There was more discussion. It was decided the committee would meet within 2 weeks to put in the revisions and suggestions made today and be presented at the next Assembly. Voting then took place with ballots on the proposed 2019 budget. The **Budget passed** with 27 Yes and 1 Abstain.

A member asked a question regarding financial support for Co-District Representatives. She will take this up with her groups.

Patti P suggested when submitting documents, they be in Word or Excel and not in PDF format. Changes cannot be made to a document when it is in PDF.

Policies and Procedures by Ethel B. She went over the “Suggested Changes to the Hawaii World Service Policies and Procedures For Travel, Lodging And Reports”. Members had concerns regarding fees the airlines charged.

Coordinators' Reports: Oral and written reports by Dana Rae H, Public Outreach and Brooke W, Literature. Written reports by Rhonda F, Alateen and Loretta A, Web. (Refer to attachment.)

Mystery Workshop by Penni S. She had questions on service and encouraged members to write their responses. (Examples: Had challenging conversations with one another? Have a different definition for the word service? Has a barrier kept you from stepping into service? What gifts have you noticed in personal recovery that you received? For example: Do you treat people differently and do you make decisions differently from doing service. At Assembly: Practice doing it together; not doing it right.)

7th Tradition \$351.05, **Speaker Meeting** \$180.00, and **Fundraising** \$260.00 were contributed by members.

Ask-It-Basket:

Question #1: Where in Al-Anon Literature is Atheism mentioned? (Requested by a member of the group I represent). Response: In the Service Manual, Page 22, Three Obstacles To Success In Al-Anon and Page 130. Not specifically documented only all religions.

Question #2: Are World Service Conference Summaries Conference Approved Literature? Response: In the Service Manual, Page 114. It is the annual report about the World Service Conference and WSO activities. Not specifically identified as CAL. Since it's not identified as Recovery Literature. Listed under Other WSO Publications.

Question #3: In the WSC Summary, Page 86, it is stated that a "standard" definition of recovery had been created. Can we get a copy of this "standard" definition? Response: SAMHSA Substance Abuse And Mental Health Services Administration. "A unified working definition and set of principles". 2010 "Recovery is a process of change whereby individuals work to improve their own health and wellness and to live a meaningful life in a community of their choice while striving to achieve their full potential". A new working definition of recovery from mental disorders and substance use disorders is as follows: 2014 "A process of change through which individuals improve their health and wellness, live a self-directed life, and strive to reach their full potential". Start with Page 86, 2018 Conference Summary.

Question #4: Is it clear in Policy & Procedures document that they are guidelines? Response: In the Service Manual, Page 83-Policy statements grew out of questions and experiences from the Al-Anon fellowship worldwide. They are interpretations of our basic guides, the Twelve Traditions and the Twelve Concepts of Service. Page 175, Traditions are a framework within-which to operate. Concepts show the "why" of our service structure in such a way-Steps: Recovery, Traditions: Unity, Concepts: Service work can be done on broad scale. That the valuable experience of the past and the lessons drawn from the experience can never be forgotten, lost.

Question #5: Is there a single place we can find Al-Anon quotes, acronyms and slogans and are those considered CAL. Response: Acronyms 1) Index in Service Manual, Past Assemblies there has been a tent card available with Hawaii Area Acronyms and possible suggestion to post to Hawaii Area Webpage Al-anonhawaii.org. Quotes and slogans are found in our literature. CAL are Conference Approved Literature.

Question #6: Could it please be confirmed that anyone is welcome to attend SWRDM-it's an opportunity in Hawaii. Response: Any Al-Anon member can attend Southwest Regional Delegates Meeting as an observer. They will be seated around the outer area of the meeting room (*No voice, No vote). SWRDM is for all current and Past Delegates (Area Chairs, Treasurers (Officers)), Past Trustee, Current Trustee. Who: AZ, CAN, CA-S, CO, NV, NMex/El Paso, Utah, HI. Voice: Past and Current Delegate, Past and Current Trustees, Current Alt Delegate, Current Area Chairs. Vote: Past and Current Delegate and Trustees. (From SWRDM Guidelines-available from Delegate and Past Delegate)

Question #7: Could someone please describe how to get to the online Alateen meetings? Response: Al-Anon.org.>Find Alateen Meeting>Alateen Chat Meetings>Click to Register Meeting>Submit Request (Read from screen shot 'how to register')

Question #8: Does our Area or WSO have any opinion/guidance about allowing the \$ collected for quarterly appeal to be counted and sent to WSO as a quarterly split from the group? Response: In the Service Manual Pages 54, 57, 60, 103 Quarterly Appeal, Pages 56, 105, 108 Financial Matters Contributions To WSO, and Pages 55-58, 107 Use Of Group Funds. "The quarterly appeal gives each member an opportunity to participate in Twelfth Step work beyond the group level."

Announcements: Transportation by Patti P; **Positions Available** by Penni S; **Monday Night 4 Step Meeting** by Barbara A.

Reflections, Appreciations, Gratitude by Members.

Group Photo not taken.

3:30 p.m. Closed with the Serenity Prayer.

Important Dates:

Annual Hawaii Convention 2018 Nov 1-4

Big Island Bash 2019 May 3-6

Spring Assembly on Oahu at St. Anthony's 2019 May 14-15

MauiFest 2019 May 31-June 3

Next Area Committee Meeting 2019 March 30 or 23, depending on accommodations

Fall Assembly on Maui 2019 October 19-20

Annual Hawaii Convention 2019 Nov 1-4

Submitted by Henrietta C, Area Secretary