

**Mile High JACL Board Meeting  
July 11, 2013  
Denver, Colorado - Sakura Square**

**MEMBERS Present.** Donna Hansen, Harry Budisidharta, Gary Yamashita, Jinny Kim, Bonnie Clark, Gil Asakawa, Kimiko Side, Ngoc Dinh, Tom Migaki, Richard Hamai, Mike Shibata, Marge Taniwaki, Pat Hayashi

**GUESTS Present.** Luna Ly, Vinh Lam, Andrew Yeh, Justin Valas, Erin Yoshimura, Barney Ichikawa

**PROXIES.** Harry has Frank Sakamoto, Mark Shimoda, & Mary Ann Amemiya. Gary has Suzuho Shimasaki.

**DONATION REQUEST.** Jinny Kim, Luna Ly and Vinh Lain presented request for donation of \$500 for their Asian Pacific Development Center Youth Leadership Academy Summer Tutoring Program. This program is focused on assisting refugee youth from ages 11-18. After a brief discussion, Gil moved to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donna and unanimously approved.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING.** Move to accept by Bonnie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gary and unanimously approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT.** Treasurer Richard reported the following:

- Cherry Blossom Festival Wishing Tree net profit of \$512.42.
- Dues to National JACL @ \$2.00 times 120 members (per VP Membership, Yamashita) equals \$240. We are counting a couple as one member.
- Isle of Capri ad placement expired January 2013 issue.
- Our Mile High JACL Chapter Scholarship of \$2000 was awarded to Megan Iritani at the Japanese American Community Graduation Program.
- Renewal of PO Box with increase of annual fee from \$38 to \$40.
- July 2013-June 2014 proposed budget (based on July 2012 to June 2013 figures) shows revenues of \$12,477, expenses of \$16,663.00 and a projected deficit of \$4,186.00.

Gil moved to accept the treasurer's report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ngoc, and unanimously approved.

**OLD BUSINESS.**

- Ngoc seeking July newsletter articles. They will be from Jinny, Marge and Gil.
- Ngoc states Web renewal of \$30 was due last month.
- Bonnie reported on status of Mikado at University of Denver. See e mails for details & full report. At invitation of DU, Mile High JACL hopes to be a continuing resource for them regarding Asian awareness.
- Andrew estimated 30-40 attendees at the OCA picnic.
- Andrew presented a plaque & autographed t-shirt from Colorado Asian Pacific Youth Association in appreciation of the \$500 recent donation from our chapter.

**NEW BUSINESS.**

- National JACL would like to establish a US to Japan Committee & develop closer relationships. Tom Migaki agreed to be our representative to and with the local Consul General of Japan office.
- Fall Festival. Donna and Andrew will be co-chairs.
- Our chapter will provide \$80 of watermelons to the JAAC picnic August 4.

**POLITICAL ADVOCACY.**

- Our chapter is working with several groups regarding the immigration reform bill.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

- IDC will have a Skype conference October 5.
- National JACL convention is July 24-26 in Washington DC. Mary Ann and possibly Frank will be our delegates.
- Mile High JACL has won the IDC membership award for two consecutive years. All other chapters in this district are losing members except us.
- Colorado Dragon Boat Festival July 27-28. Kimiko Side was selected to be the Honorary Chairperson this year.

- Obon will be Saturday July 13.
- Japanese Papercrafts Workshop with Mike Shibata Saturday July 13 at 10 AM.
- Boulder Asian Festival August 10-11.

**NEXT MEETING.** Thursday, August 1, 2013 at 6:30 PM

Meeting Adjourned 7:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pat Hayashi, Recording Secretary