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Minutes for JACL Board Meeting
Thursday, September 4, 2014
Sakura Square, 2nd Floor

PRESENT: Harry, Justin, Bonnie, Tom, Richard, Gary, Mike, Donna, Marge.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Richard moved and Gary seconded a motion to approve the August Minutes. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: There were few transactions this past month with the balance remaining essentially the same. Tom moved and Justin seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

SUCCESSION PLANNING: No concrete information to report.

M. BUTTERFLY: Donna reported that TEA (Theatre Esprit Asia) will begin a run of M. Butterfly tonight through September 28th at the Black Box Theatre, 9900 E. Colfax in Aurora. A JACL membership social will take place on Friday, September 19th, to include dinner and the play. Dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m. at La Cueva restaurant, 9742 East Colfax Avenue, with the play starting at 7:30 p.m. A group rate for the play will be available if there are enough participants. Dinner on your own.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Aki Matsuri - Simpson UMC will be the site for the November 8th fall festival. If construction work at Simpson prevents usage of their facilities, Sakura Square can serve as a back-up site. Volunteers and games are needed with Suzuho in overall charge of the event.
- b. Candidates forum - Andrew Romanoff answered questions at the candidates forum where he and incumbent Mike Coffman were invited to speak. Approximately 45 people attended the event moderated by Fox 31's Chris Jose and held at the meeting room of APDC in Aurora.
- c. National JACL and Net Neutrality - Attempts have been made to understand the National JACL vote against net neutrality including several viewings of the webinar arranged by National which did nothing to clarify the issue. A direct query to National has not been answered. After lengthy discussion, it was moved by Donna and seconded by Bonnie to form a committee to draft a statement to be sent to National asking for an explanation and expressing the Mile High Chapter's viewpoint against the recent vote and how it came about.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Pacific Citizen Holiday Ads - The holiday ads are the largest single fundraiser for the Mile High Chapter. Harry will oversee the project with help from Justin, Tom and Richard who will keep the master log and make any requested changes to existing ad

formats. The end date for submitting ads is before Halloween. Individuals will once again be asked to make contact with last years participants.

b. Potluck and documentary screening with NAPAWF (National Asian Pacific Womens Forum) - At 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 18th, the Mile High Chapter will co-sponsor a potluck and documentary screening on long-time Detroit based activist Grace Lee Boggs. Gary will check into a possible date/time conflict with a forum on Medicare.

c. AAAJ (Asian Americans Advancing Justice) - There was discussion concerning the Chapter signing on to an AAAJ letter regarding the governments current position on immigration reform. Justin moved and Gary seconded the motion to sign on. The motion passed with one abstention.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a. Newsletter - Bonnie and Harry will write articles which are due by the 20th of the month.

b. Membership - Justin reported that the Chapter has 135 members with 19 lapsed. National has a new membership form that contains increased dues in some categories.

c. Asian Roundtable of Colorado - ARC continues to work on re-vamping its by-laws. A candidates forum scheduled for Saturday, September 27th, from 1 to 4:00 p.m. will take place at the Denver Athletic Club. Six Colorado candidates have agreed to appear singly without interaction at 30 minute intervals, answering questions previously given to them. Harry will pursue looking into the possibility that JACL will be a co-sponsor and use his discretion in making a final decision regarding Chapter participation.

d. Day of Remembrance for 2015 - Mary Ann will convene a meeting to solidify planning for the February annual event. Harry and Marge are on the committee. Soyun Bueno with UCD may participate with JACL for this commemoration.

NATIONAL JACL - No current information on the next Intermountain District Council meeting.

NEXT MEETING - The next Mile High JACL Chapter meeting will take place on Thursday, October 2nd, at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT - 8:14 p.m.

Submitted by Marge Taniwaki