

Mile High JACL Meeting Minutes

Sakura Square – Denver, CO

January 9, 2014

Members Present: Mary Ann Amemiya, Marge Taniwaki, Harry Budisidharta, Junko Kim, Justin Valas, Suzuho Shimasaki, Donna Hansen, Richard Hamai, Tom Migaki, Bonnie Clark, Aurora Ogg, Gary Yamashita, Mike Shibata, Jim Hardman, Mark Shimoda, Pat Hayashi.

Meeting Called to Order 6:43 PM by President Harry.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion to approve Mary Ann, 2nd by Marge and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Richard Hamai.

- A Yasui family member has requested funding & access to monies to be used in video development. This is a designated fund category from donations that is trusted to this chapter for the Yasui memorial. Following a brief discussion, Harry will contact Ron Abo regarding suggestions for moving forward.
- The PC Holiday Ad campaign should net approximately \$2500 for our chapter.
- For further Fall Festival bills, see Richard.
- Motion to approve Bonnie, 2nd by Donna, and approved.

New Business.

- Signup sheet passed around for volunteers for newsletter articles. LGBT
- Election of officers for 2014 and new Board members has been tabled. Ballots will be mailed to members.
- Tentative Board Emeritus recommendation (must be retired & be paying active members) are: Les Imada, Kimiko Side, Aya Medrud, Frank Sakamoto, Toshiko Sakamoto, Mary Masunaga, Sam Mayeda, Frank Konishi, Gladys Konishi, Alley Watada, Yoshimi Watada, Matilde Taguchi, Ruth Yamauchi, Jayne Yoshimura & Terry Sato. This is to acknowledge service to the Mile High Board in years past. Motion for this recognition made by Marge, 2nd by Mary Ann & approved.
- A request has been made that Mile High JACL place a floral wreath at gravesite of Gov. Ralph Carr every Memorial Day weekend. Discussion was held and it will be done.

Old Business.

- Political Advocacy. Justin reported that Training Day will be Feb 22 and Lobby Day will be Feb 24. He is seeking volunteers to help. A budget of \$100 was requested, moved by Marge to approve, 2nd by Mark and approved.
- Day of Remembrance. Mark stated History Colorado & their caterer will provide green tea and coffee. They also have a requirement that all food must go through them unless it is ethnic in nature. Pat has contacted Simpson UMC for the sushi & will purchase mocha manju from Pacific. She will also ask for volunteers from the general membership to help with table set up, serve and clean. Budget is \$700. 4 tables requested – 2 for serving and 2 for staging. Mark anticipates 300 people. Mark would like to have all volunteers get their names to him and be at the site at 12 noon. The program starts at 1:00 PM. There are program logistics involved that was discussed and he is working on solving that and having a back-up just in case. An honorarium was suggested, moved by Mary Ann, 2nd by Donna and approved.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 PM.

Next Meeting: February 6, 2014. 6:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pat Hayashi, Recording Secretary