

MINUTES FOR MILE HIGH JAACL MEETING  
THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2014  
MEZZANINE AT SAKURA SQUARE

PRESENT: Richard Hamai, Gary Yamashita, Gil Asakawa, Harry Budisidharta, Justin Valas, Mark Shimoda, Marge Taniwaki, Suzuho Shimasaki electronically. Enough proxies were held by members present to allow for a quorum.

CALL TO ORDER: Harry convened the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM APRIL, 2014: Gary moved, Richard seconded approval of Minutes. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY, 2014: Richard moved, Gary seconded approval of Minutes. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: There was general discussion regarding the February, 2014, funding approved for the Minoru Yasui tribute film by Holly Yasui. Gil volunteered to "project manage" in the absence of any response from the original members of the Minoru Yasui Fund from years past.

The pros and cons of hiring an AAPI community organizer came to no specific conclusion. Funding of up to \$5,000 would be forthcoming from CIRC (Colorado Immigrant Rights Coalition). A fiscal sponsor for the funds could take as much as 9% of available monies.

Dr. Sam Kawakami donated \$200 for the Day of Remembrance.

Donations of \$30.00 came from Gary and Debbie Yamashita and from Alley and Yoshimi Watada.

Staffing a shared table with APDC at the annual Philippine Festival on June 7th made \$77.00 from sales of items provided by Mike Shibata.

To date, expenses connected to the Minoru Yasui Tribute Film total \$1,162.09, primarily for airfare to Mexico to conduct research. Refer to hard copy of Treasurer's Report for exact details.

OLD BUSINESS: Succession planning was postponed.

NEW BUSINESS: To settle a bet on a recent marathon run, Harry composed the following haiku and read it to Suzuho:

Winner Suzuho  
Faster runner than Harry  
I will seek revenge

Harry and Gil will work on organizing proposed monthly AAPI community forums.

The movie, "Undocumented", will be shown at the SIE Center from June 20-26. A panel discussion with Jose Antonio Vargas will take place after the showing on June 21st.

Interest has been expressed in another showing of the film, "Hafu", along with a panel discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: JACL Newsletter articles for the July issue will be written by Harry (Memorial Day event) and Marge (death of Yuri Kochiyama).

The Asian Roundtable of Colorado installed Peggy Yujiri as its new President. Her first project is to revise the organizations by-laws.

After many years of service as the principal organizer of the annual Day of Remembrance, Mark Shimoda announced his resignation, stating that he feels it is time for new eyes on the project. He leaves the program with a surplus of funds for future commemorations. His fellow JACL Board members will continue to organize and support the DOR on which Mark expended so much time and energy over the years.

NATIONAL JACL: Gil will represent the Mile High Chapter at the National Convention in San Jose from July 9th - 12th.

NEXT MEETING: Due to a conflict with the Rockies game, the next JACL meeting will be held on Thursday, July 10th, not July 3rd.

ADJOURNMENT: Harry adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Submitted by Marge Taniwaki