

**Japanese American Citizens League - JACL
Mile Hi Chapter -- Denver, CO
Sakura Square
January 6, 2011**

Meeting called to order at 7:10pm by President, Suzy Shimasaki.

Guest: James (Jim) Hardman

Members Present: Suzy Shimasaki, Tom Migaki, Richard Hamai, Frank Sakamoto, Toe Sakamoto, Jin Tsuchiya, Mike Shibata, Harry Budisidharta, Mark Shimoda, Ryan Ogi, Aya Medrud, Pat Hayashi

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Move to approve, Harry Budisidharta. 2nd by Tom Migaki. Unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Richard Hamai.

- Regular \$16,935.72
- Amache CD \$2,689.90
- Education \$6,188.68
- Kansha No Hi \$871.25
- Legacy \$3,323.60
- JACL Min Yasui Fund \$26,431.25
- TOTAL \$56,440.40
- Superscript: billing from National JACL for Holiday Pacific Citizen Advertisements has not been received & therefore monies are still included in 'regular' account above.

Richard gave a second presentation of closing the Amache CD and giving money for the Colorado History Museum project. He requested to change the amount to \$2000.00 and use the remainder to buy two external hard drives. If there are any remaining funds, the money will go into general funds. After discussion, Jin Tsuchiya moved to approve, 2nd by Frank Sakamoto. Unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- Recognition Luncheon. Jin Tsuchiya will chair the event. Suzy gave a brief recap of the current status.
- Newsletter. Per Suzy: Those receiving newsletter via e-mail will be deleted from the physical mailing list. The current active roster will be reviewed. Harry provided a cost estimate for an outside vendor to do the mailings. Discussion ensued regarding monthly vs bi-monthly and no decision was made.
- Teacher Education Workshop. Suzy reported event will be held Saturday, Feb 19 at University of Denver, Sturm Hall from 8 am to approximately mid-afternoon. More publicity is needed, 8 school districts are being informed of the event. The focus will be on Japanese Americans, WWII, internment. Cost will be \$20/person including lunch.
- Day of Remembrance. Dr. Mark Shimoda reported the event will be held Sunday, Feb 20 at University of Denver, Sturm Hall Lobby from 1pm to 3pm. Theme: "Teaching in the Camp" with Jan Siegler being the speaker, followed by a Q&A period. Refreshments will be served afterwards for an anticipated attendance of 175, including the participation of the Asian Pacific Alliance (students). Mark anticipates the cost to be approximately \$1,300 and hopes to raise the funds through other dentists as in previous years. He also envisions adding and/or changing the site of this annual event to include other campuses, such as University of Colorado, Boulder.
- OCA-JACL Lunar New Year Celebration. Suzy reported the date to be Saturday, February 5 at The Palace. Cost is yet to be determined. Request to make reservations early and looking for participation from our JACL members.

NEW BUSINESS

- Advocacy Committee. Jin Tsuchiya reported nothing significantly new at the present time.
- Document Preservation. Richard Hamai provided a detailed list of items donated to the University of Denver Archives, dated January 5, 2011. A brief listing is as follows: BOOKS: Bill Hosokawa's 'JACL: In Quest of Justice', Bill Hosokawa's 'Out of the Frying Pan', Jefferson

County School District's 'Kids Explore America's Japanese American Heritage', Leslie Hatamiya's 'Righting a Wrong: Japanese Americans and the Passage of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988', 'Japanese Pages' contributed by Denver Buddhist Temple, Mile Hi JACL, Rocky Mountain Jiho. VIDEOTAPES: Robert Nakamura's 1994 'Something Strong Within', Robert Nakamura's 'Moving Memories'. CURRICULUM GUIDES (editions 1996 & 2004). INSTALLATION PROGRAMS 1999-2007. POSTER 'Japanese Garden Festival in conjunction with Denver Botanic Gardens, July 14, 2000. CD ROM Chapter Newsletters from 2001 through 2009, Editors: Alley & Yoshimi Watada. George and Mary Masunaga's 7 digital photos with background information, series 01. PDF version of Amache Relocation Center information and historical photocopies prepared by Robert Fuchigami, Santa Rosa, CA, June 2000, via a grant awarded by the California Chi1 Liberties Public Education Program. PDF of Japanese Garden Festival poster.

- Nominations. Full listing will be forthcoming via e-mail from Suzy Shimasaki.

Meeting Adjourned 8:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pat Hayashi, Recording Secretary