

Berkeley JACL Board meeting minutes
Tuesday 3/3/09

Attendance:

Fujikawa, Mark
Jitodai, Ted

Ouye, Neal
Satake, Al

Shirasawa, Tak
Takeuchi, Laura

Tagawa, Alex

Tanaka, Ron
Yamada, Shinya

- 1) Co-president Ouye began meeting at 7:10 PM.
- 2) Agenda items were distributed, and call for additions made. The agenda was accepted.
- 3) Minutes of last meeting, in #7 – the name of the group was changed to be the Berkeley Japanese Association. The minutes were accepted as corrected.
- 4) Treasurer's report provided by Tak. A motion was made by Ron Tanaka and seconded by Al Satake to move the 1-year certificate of deposit from Union Bank, upon maturity to JACL Credit Union. Motion was approved.
- 5) Committee Reports
 - A. Membership: The board agreed to invite the membership chair from the national board to attend our next meeting. Jim to extend the invitation
 - B. Scholarship: One request has been received. The committee will meet to review the applications on March 16th. Ron is expecting scholarship donations from Union Bank and Well Fargo. The Scholarship Luncheon is scheduled for April 26th at Edokko. Pioneer Award – Ann and Ken Yabusaki were honored to be selected but will not be in town on April 26th. Tae Oda was suggested and Carolyn will be asked to inform her. If she is not available, the award will be given to Paul Takata this year and the Yabusakis in 2010. Changing the focus of the award to honor broader Nikkei community service was discussed and may be reconsidered in the future.
 - C. Issei Fund Report: No report
 - D. Grants and Insurance – Insurance no report. Grants - due date 3/15.
 - E. Youth Report – DOR went well, the speakers were good. NSU is working on advocacy efforts to support Warren Furutani's bill to award college diplomas to Nikkei who missed graduation being interned during WWII.
 - F. Activities – Wicked date set – Sat. July 25. 40 tickets are reserved a minimum of 20 tickets must be purchased.
George Yoshida DOR performance was well received with over 100 attending. They expressed interest in performing at other venues. The Nov. district meeting was suggested.
 - G. District Meeting – Nov. 1 – Sat. Nov. 7th may be possible at Lake Park United Meth. Ch. Ted offered to look into the First Unitarian Church. The El Cerrito Community Center will charge \$190 for 5 hours plus \$48 for catering permit. Al found out the Berkeley City Club would not be an option. A taco truck or Top Dog truck were suggested as lunch caterers.
 - H. Civil Rights – No report
- 6) Old Business
 - A. JASEB Crab Feed – the chapter provided plenty of volunteers. Thank you to Ted for providing the raffle prize.
 - B. Bingo – Thank you to all the volunteers. Rather than trying to do another date before July, selecting a date in November was agreed upon. NSU will have their own session on March 13th - the board offered volunteers, if needed.

- 7) New Business – none
- 8) Adjournment - Al moved and Ted seconded a motion for adjournment. Motion passed at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Laura Takeuchi for Tom Nishi for approval.