



The Alliance

Date: October 6, 2009
Minutes

Board Meeting

Location: JPs Coffee Shop
President: Marvin Younger

Present: Marvin Younger, Bin Lim, Jack Hyde Jauanna Jackson, Mary Yedinak

Absent: Lucia Rios, Norma Luna, Victor Orozco Angela Taylor Perry, Natalie Avila, Francisco Panuco, Yessenia Aguirre,

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 5:25 P.M. by President Marvin Younger. The meeting was relocated to this place due to apparent unavailability of Faith CRC.

2. Minutes: The Minutes of the June 2009 ACEH Board were reviewed and approved.

3. Treasurer's Report: Bin reported a balance of \$1124.01 after the enrollment of a few new members and some renewals. The report was reviewed approved.

4. Old Business

- Review of our **Tulipanes involvement**. The Film sponsored by the Gary Pepe memorial fund was well received. It was apparent that the Tulipanes committee could benefit from our volunteering to help next year.

- Review of the **September International Students' event** at Hope College - The event was well attended and the hosting by Hope's Amy Otis-Grau was excellent. It was suggested we make this an annual event but coordinate it with Amy in consideration of the convenience for all. A thank you note has been sent to Amy.

- **T-shirt sales** have generated sales of \$205.00. We paid \$395 for them. Bin Lim has the unsold shirts and they are available through him.

- **Glorious Wings** (Washington Square, Holland) has a community support initiative. October is the month where a percentage of their sales will be donated to ACEH. We have been told it will be a minimum of \$200.00.

- **Tenth Anniversary review** – for the future, we need additional people to help keep a spot reserved at the park and to move tables to that area.

The **Holland Mayoral Proclamation**, read at the event by Mayor, Al McGeehan, appears as an addendum to these Minutes.

- Student rep's Yessinia and Francisco represented ACEH by making presentations at **Holland's Youth Orientation Night**. They did a great job!

- Need of a **digital projector and P.A. system remains**. The idea of contacting local businesses (Staples, etc) for nonprofit benefit shopping perks donations might help earn us these devices at their costs. Jack Hyde to investigate.

- ACEH Interview (Ann Weller and Marvin Younger) on **MAC-TV** is on DVD and is housed with the Minutes archives and with Ann Weller.

5. New Business

- An **African-American Center of Art and History** is in the formulative stages. Early ideas having it become a cultural center with educational services for adults and children. We will keep informed of this development through Ruth Coleman.
- **Holiday Potluck** is scheduled for December 5 at First Methodist in Holland. Committee members are Bin Lim, Liz Barveld, Jauanna Jackson, Ann Weller, Mary DeRidder, Mary Yedinak.
- Requests for speakers – ACEH has been asked to be represented for a panel discussion to be held at **Hope RCA Church** in Holland (Nov. 14). Marvin requested assistance with this.
- We need monthly program ideas for the late winter – spring months (Jan., Feb., March). We need to lift up the Asian culture in the Holland area. Contacts including Western Seminary will be initiated.
- Meeting times and location – Some Board members need a change of meeting times. The Board agreed to meet at 7 PM and, due to the construction at Faith CRC, we will meet at Bin Lim's house in November.
- Our November presenter is traveling a distance to be with us. The Board agreed to pay her an honorarium of \$75.00 to offset her expenses.

9. Adjournment – 6:25 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by common consent. Next meeting on November 3, 2009 at 7 PM at Bin Lim's house.

Jack Hyde, secretary