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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 10th, 7:30 p.m.

Location: Hellman Qoun Building, on the Plaza, El Pueblo

1. Call to Order: 7:45
2. Roll Call: Attendees: D Ehrler, C Woo, J Jerald, H Nishimura, A Kumamoto, K Benjamin, T Keating, R Fong, R Joval, J Wong, J Schutz, D Toy, Joan Lee, Kam Lee, JL Sedano, E Soohoo, D Young, M Amason, A Soohoo, Fr Giovanni, M Hong-Weinberg, A Brown
3. Jan Perry swore in new officers. Kim Benjamin addressed board recognizing volunteers among stakeholders as well as board members and acknowledging the work that has been done by efforts of members – example: work done to find the best possible place for the new police headquarters building. Jan addressed group and praised members for working together.
4. Guest speaker Jacob Motta from Mayor's address briefed board on the Dept of Public works— extended invitation to attend training Saturday, May 21st
5. Guest speaker Krista Kline and Mike Fong from City Council presented certificates to Kim, Tim and Alan
6. Guest speaker Christine Borreaz from DAP project addressed the board on recently formed project to survey creative arts community in downtown LA.
7. Melvin Canas introduced temporary DONE coordinator Gabriela Quintana
8. Motion by Kim to approve minutes seconded by Ron, unanimously approved
9. President's Opening Remarks: Thanks and hope to work together with enthusiasm for the betterment of all the communities of the HCNC
10. Treasurer's Report: Dominic reported that DONE requires a co-signatory to go to next training. Melvin asked if Charlie if he could be a co-signatory. Howard will remain as co-signatory in interim until Charlie attends training. For the interim, Alan moved to appoint Howard as second signatory, seconded by Dominic, passes unanimously. Procedure for submitting funding requests and clarification of role of Budget and Finance Committee discussed briefly. General discussion of how funding requests are handled. Agreement of need for clarity and transparency. Reviewed procedures of how board decides projects: individual communities agree within caucus, present to board. Board reviews merits of proposals:
Discussion: Chinatown needs more notification than the postings and translation should be automatic: Charlie Woo will look into budget for that.
11. Community Funding Request: The Chinatown Feng Shan Ho Sculpture (Kim Benjamin): discussion and possible action: Kim explains Ho's role in saving thousands of Jews in Vienna. Known as Chinese Schindler. Cost of Chinatown statue is \$75,000. Kim proposing HCBNC seed project with \$5000. General discussion: No agreement. Alan moved further discussion and action be postponed. Jonathan seconded. Item tabled for future action.
12. Community Funding Request: Arts District Farmers' Market (Tim Keating): discussion and action Tim proposed \$4,000 support from Community Development Funds (\$2,000 from the Arts District funding and \$2,000 from Little Tokyo funding). General discussion of farmer's market. Motion by Tim, seconded by Jonathan. Unanimously approved: \$4000 for Arts District/Little Tokyo banners.
13. Other Business: Alicia Brown reported resignation of Board Member Nick Constantini: She will post in Solano Canyon a request for candidate to replace Nick. Mary Ahmanson resigned, thanked with applause. Rene Joval: Requested addition to next agenda: request for funds for Cathedral HS Art Show HS arts show:
14. Public Comment: none
15. Adjournment

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