

**Fresno AFRAM Caucus**  
**Minutes**  
**Dinner 5:30p – 6 p, Meeting 6p**  
**Thursday, April 23, 2015 (Rescheduled from 4/9/13)**  
**Unity Hall, Fresno, Ca**

**Call to Order**

Time: 6:24 pm

**Introduction**

Arvelia Cooper-Whigham, pres; Alysia Bonner, Sgt of Arms; Patricia S-Clay, member; Nahdya Waggoner, guest; Patricia Waggoner, member; Darlynn Qualls, member; Gavin Simmons, member; Adonis Whigham, guest; Rommie Cooper, guest; Latisha James, Staff.

**Open Forum**

Mai Thao – Community Political Organizer & Staff – Action 4/15/15 Bus to Bay Area – Fight for \$15

**Minutes**

Reading and Approval: March 2015

1. Motion \_\_\_\_\_
2. Second \_\_\_\_\_
3. Carried \_\_\_\_\_

**Treasury Report as of 3/31/15**

Balance: Conference \$3,821.20; Mtg \$161.82; donation \$250.00;

Expense total \$5614.95

Budget Balance: \$3,810.05

**Old Business**

N/A

**Report(s)**

*March 2015*

Cesar Chavez Celebration

SEJ mtg

Convention Conference – April 16-19, 2015: Patricia and Arvelia shared their commentary

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**Donation(s) Request(s)**

- Youth Training Luncheon for MLK “Sacrifices from the Heart”
- CA Labor Federal, “Workforce & Economic Development (WED) Annual Conference: Building Workforce Partnerships” March 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> in Sacramento
- West Fresno Ministerial Alliance

## Joint Caucus Events

### Fresno

- APALA – their Festival May 9,2015
- Women’s Caucus - \_\_\_\_\_
- Latino – \_\_\_\_\_
- Native American - \_\_\_\_\_
- LGBT - \_\_\_\_\_
- Retirement - \_\_\_\_\_

### San Jose

- Latino – April 4, 2015
- AFRAM - \_\_\_\_\_
- PWD - \_\_\_\_\_
- Retirement - \_\_\_\_\_

## New Business

- Leadership Training – Unity Hall time is **APRIL 11, 2015**
- NAMI: Saturday May 23, 2015 – Woodward Park, Group Activity Area - donation item
- Juneteenth Celebration Planning - June 6, 2015; Theme: **Our Ancestors' Politics are Still Our Politics. Our day of Celebration is the 1st Saturday of June: June 6, 2015 10 am - 3 pm in the Unity Hall.**
- RSVP – for meetings and events – **A Must as Enough Food is COMMON Courtesy**
- Caucus Guidelines, Rules and Regulations – *Using International AFRAM*
- Fundraising Opportunities – Bus trip(s) – *Ongoing discussion*
- 2015 Budget – Completed and turned in – approved at Budget Mtg Jan 21, 2015

## Organizing

- Memberships & Dues – Match 31, 2015
- Stewardship Training – Have started up Jan 24, 2015, green flyer
- *Photos and Tri-folds – if you have any photos from past events please bring them to next meeting or to the union office!*
- Next Convention for the National AFRAM – 2015 – Detroit, MI April 17-19, 2015  
Travelling to Detroit on Thursday April 16; travelling from Detroit Sunday April 19, 2015
- Next Western Regional AFRAM meeting – *LA or San Jose - TBA*
- Organize other chapters within the Central Valley – Kern, Kings, Tulare: \_\_\_\_\_
- Connecting to the Community - Contact Black churches & businesses: \_\_\_\_\_

## Table to Next Meeting

- 1] Donations update
- 2] \_\_\_\_\_
- 3] \_\_\_\_\_

## Adjournment Time 7:30 pm

Motion: Patricia S-Clay  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Darlynn  
Carried: Unanimous

Next Meeting *May 14, 2015*

Call to R.S.V.P. (559) 447-2560