

SEIU LOCAL 521
APALA CAUCUS MEETING
March 21, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

MEMBERS/GUESTS/STAFF PRESENT:

Bella Barela: Chair	Sergio Garcia
Solomon Barela: Guest	Raquel Garcia: Guest
Nancy Her: Co-Chair	Maria Luisa Gutierrez: Guest
Bo Thao	Yeng Moua: Guest
Via Cooper-Whigham	Cecelia Tatum: Treasurer/Secretary
Darwin Duncan: Staff	Roy Mansanalez
Joy Hall-Villareal	Mai Thao: Staff

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February minutes were read. Nancy made motion to approve minutes as read, Sergio seconded.

TREASURER'S REPORT: As of 02/28/2017, the APALA FAT balance is \$6874.06.

OPEN FORUM:

- The leadership summit will be at SEIU Fresno's unity hall on April 8th.
- Laughlin fundraiser bus trip is cancelled due to lack of reservations.
- Native American Caucus will be attending CSUF-First Nation Gathering Pow Wow.
- The 2nd annual labor BBQ will be on May 20th at the Fresno Fairgrounds. Ticket sales will be tabled for the April meeting.
- APALA San Jose is having a heritage event. Via will check with Alysia about who is wanting to go and carpooling.
- CSUF Magkaisa group-They will be having a Filipino cultural night on April 29, 2017 at 3pm at the satellite student union. Bo made a motion to place a full page ad in their program for \$80. Nancy seconded.

Heritage Event plans:

Performers:

- Nancy stated that she has contacted and confirmed that Hmong singer Mary Vang will be performing 2 songs. Mary will let Nancy know about Hmong dancers.
- John Cho's Kung Fu school will be confirmed at next meeting.
- Bella will ask the Muay Thai and Filipino groups to see if they will perform.
- Bo will contact Zha Vang with Hmong Law Enforcement.

Food:

Ordering from **Christy's**: Fried Rice-2 Trays
Vegetable Chow Mein- 2 Trays
Orange Chicken-2 Trays
Broccoli Beef- 1 tray

Ordering from **Susan's Deli**: Papaya Salad-1 tray
Chicken Laab: 1 tray
Beef Laab: 1 tray

Roast pig-\$350 from Cracking Claw

Bo will prepare sticky rice

Lumpia from Reedley: \$180 for 300

Fruit(strawberries, watermelon, pineapple) will be prepared by APALA members

Games:

3 rounds of musical chair: Adults, 12-18 year olds, 11 and under.

Limbo: Adults, Children

Water Balloon Toss

Prizes: Movies tickets- Price from CSEA is \$8.75 each. Will see if better deal from Costco.

Gift cards:

Kids: \$5 each from McDonald's (6 total)

Adults: \$10 each from Starbucks (4 total)

APALA Shirt

SEIU Lanyards, bracelets, etc.

Via will check to see if there are any items from SEJ.

Bella will be donating plants for door prizes.

Other:

There will be a 50/50 raffle. Silent auction will be decided on next meeting.

Keynote Speaker:

Mai suggested Mas Matsumoto, Vicky Xiong, Mrs. Judge Ishi, Brandon Vang, and Riko Mendez. The members voted for Mas Matsumoto. Mai will get in touch to see if we can get him to be our keynote speaker.

Scholarship:

There is only one application received so far. See if any others are submitted by due date. APALA members will select scholarship recipients at April meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Next Meeting: April 18, 2017

Agenda: Heritage event finalization.