

SEIU LOCAL 521  
APALA CAUCUS MEETING  
April 18, 2017

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

**MEMBERS/GUESTS/STAFF PRESENT:**

Bella Barela: Chair	Nancy Her: Co-Chair
Solomon Barela: Guest	Via Cooper-Whigham
Darwin Duncan: Staff	Jennifer Jensen
Jack German: Guest	Kevin Smith: Staff
Noah Tolbert: Guest	Caleb Tolbert: Guest

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** March minutes were read. Via made motion to approve minutes as read, Nancy seconded.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** As of 03/31/2017, the APALA FAT balance is \$6565.15. \$80 for CSUF Magkaisa's program has yet to come out.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual labor BBQ will be on May 20<sup>th</sup> at the Fresno Fairgrounds. Due to members attending the APALA San Jose heritage the same day, tickets will not be purchased for APALA members.
- APALA San Jose is having a heritage event. Bella, Cecile, and Via will be attending.
- CSUF Magkaisa group-They will be having a Filipino cultural night on April 29, 2017 at 3pm at the satellite student union. APALA members as of 04/18/2017 will not be attending due to previously scheduled events.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Bella completed an inventory of APALA supplies. We have 2 drink dispensers, aprons, tickets, 1 grass skirt decoration for tables, and 80 plates. We will need to purchase plates, 4 grass skirts, cups, bowls, water, 7up, punch, strawberries, watermelon, pineapples, and ice. Via made a motion to have an APALA member purchase items. Nancy seconded.
- Jennifer made a donation request for \$50 for Women's Caucus' diaper drive. Via made a motion to donate \$50 to Women's Caucus for their diaper drive. Nancy seconded.

**Heritage Event plans:**

**Performers:**

- Hmong singer Mary Vang has confirmed she will be performing 2 songs.
- Nancy will contact Hmong dancing group's teacher to confirm performing.
- John Cho's Kung Fu school will be performing.
- The Muay Thai group have yet to confirm with Bella.
- Magkaisa will be performing 3 dances.
- Still waiting on Bo for contacting Zha Vang with Hmong Law Enforcement.
- The Polynesian dancers will be performing. (Wor.Anchor Lodge)
- Nancy is waiting on confirmation of a break dancing group to see if they will perform.

**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 Emelia Quintal: \$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 stated SEJ will be donating some prizes.
- Bella will be donating plants for door prizes.

**Other:**

- There will be a 50/50 raffle. There will not be a silent auction.
- There will also have a gift card raffle. Solomon Barela will purchase 6 gift cards to be reimbursed.
- Darwin will check with Dental Source regarding the bounce house.
- Maya will check with firefighters to see if they can come.

**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. We are still waiting on confirmation from Mai.

**Scholarship:**

There were two applications received. Via made a motion to give a \$500 scholarship to each of the applicants, Shawn T. Padero and Preston Her. Nancy seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 6:51 pm.

**Next Meeting:** May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Agenda:** Heritage event finalization.