

SEIU LOCAL 521
APALA CAUCUS MEETING
February 28, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 6:05PM

AGENDA: Michica New Year Celebration, March 10 & 11, 2018, 11 – 3 pm
Cesar Chavez Celebration in San Jose, April 7, 2018
AFRAM/PWD Fundraiser Casino Trip (Black Oak), April 8, 2018
Heritage Day, May 12, 2018, 11 – 3 pm
CCL BBQ @Union Park, Fairground

MEMBERS/GUESTS/STAFF PRESENT:

Bella Barela, Chair	
Cecilia Tatum	Darwin - Staff
Solomon Barela – Guest	Patricia Strattman-Clay
Arvelia Whigham	Bo Thao
Yeng Moua -Guest	Mariam Alvarez
Jessica DeAnda - Guest	Sergio Garcia
Raquel Garcia -Guest	Maria Luisa Gutierrez - Guest
Luis Aguilar – by phone (formerly from San Jose APALA President)	
Luis, Welcome to Fresno APALA!!!!	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Members reviewed the November 21, 2017 minutes of the APALA Meeting. Bo Thao made a motion to approve the minutes. Patricia seconded, vote taken, motion carried. No APALA meetings held for the months of December, 2017 and January, 2018.

TREASURER REPORT: As of January 1, 2018, APALA budget has a beginning balance of **\$8,000.00**.

OPEN FORUM: Mariam made a motion to move the APALA meeting schedule from every third (3rd) Tuesday to every third (3rd) Wednesday of the month. Cecile seconded, vote taken and motion passed. Liane will be informed as soon as possible.

Bo volunteered to try to encourage employees of JHC who are still members of SEIU to come and attend the APALA meeting. Other members are also encouraged to recruit more members as many as possible.

Bo made a suggestion to have a Family Day/Night in June or July, to introduce members and also an opportunity to appreciate members. It will be part of the agenda for next meeting.

Polo Shirts were distributed to most members. A list is made and a copy will go

to Liane for file.

OLD BUSINESS: Heritage Day is set to be held on Saturday, May 12, 2018, 11:00 – 3:00 PM. Luis Aguilar accepted the invitation to be the Keynote Speaker. He will talk about the History of APALA, and its importance. Bo also made a motion to have most of the food be catered (Christy’s, Susan’s Deli, Crackin’ Claw, etc.)

Bo will order from Christy’s -	2 trays	Chowmein
	2 trays	Fried Rice
	2 trays	Beef Broccoli
Cecile will order from Susan’s Deli-	2 trays	Chicken Laab
	2 trays	Papaya Salad
Crackin’ Claw -	1	Roast Pig (Lechon)
Bella will order from Reedley -	300 pcs.	Lumpia (Egg Rolls)
Mariam will order -		Chicken & White Rice
Bo will make (will be reimbursed) -		Sticky Rice
Bella will buy (will be reimbursed) -		Pineapple/Strawberry Dessert

Solomon DJ Service – Prepaid

Center pieces, decorations, drinks, cups, paper plates, table cloths, plastic spoons & forks, etc. to be bought and other assignments will be discussed next meeting. Bo volunteered to help make center pieces and other decorations on her day off on April 18, 2018.

APALA received one (1) application for the 2018-2019 Scholarship Program.

NEW BUSINESS: Bo made a motion to reimburse the gas expense for the members who would like to attend the Michica New Year Celebration in San Jose on March 10 & 11, 2018, 11:00 – 3:00 pm. Seconded by Mariam, vote taken, motion carried.

AFRAM/PWD Fundraiser Black Oak Casino Trip is scheduled on Sunday, April 8, 2018. Cost is \$35 and \$20 worth of play money and meal discounts will be

given upon arrival at the Casino. Sergio paid \$70 for 2 tickets. Bella, Luis, and Cecile will also be going.

APALA Fundraiser Thunder Valley Casino Trip is also scheduled on Saturday, May 26, 2016. Cost is \$45.

FCC Asian Fest on April 28, 2018: Patricia made a motion to donate \$500 (line item) to FCC Asian Fest. Bo seconded, vote taken, and motion passed.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, March 21, 2018

AGENDA: Heritage Day, CCL BBQ (Union Park), APALA Family Day/Night, Casino Trips,

MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:20 P.M.

