Fresno AFRAM Caucus
Minutes
Dinner 5:30p – 6 p, Meeting 6p
Thursday, March 19, 2015
Unity Hall, Fresno, Ca & San Jose, Ca
Quarterly Meeting

Call to Order
Time 6:24 pm

Introduction
Fresno: Arvelia Via Cooper-Whigham, Sgt of Arms Alysia Bonner; Members: Darlynn Qualls, Patricia S-Clay, Patricia Waggoner, Latisha James and Mai Thao, staff; Guests: Adonis Whigham, Rommie Cooper, and Nahdya Waggoner.
San Jose: Marilyn De Rouen (interim President), Emma Davis (Founding member), Elsa Venegas (member), Anna Griffin (member), Kristen Bailey (member), Julie Shum (member), and Edwin Patrick, Jr (member)

Open Forum
Mai Thao – Community Political Organizer & Staff: 4/15/15 April Action – bus to San Francisco – Fight to $15

Minutes
Reading and Approval: Feb 2015
1. Motion tabled to April mtg
2. Second _____________
3. Carried _____________

Treasury Report
Balance: $ 9,425

Old Business
Outstanding Accounts: Marjorie Mason, Susan Komen

Report(s)
Feb/March 2015
Black History Month Celebration
SEJ mtg
Convention – April 16-19, 2015

Donation(s) Request(s)
- Youth Training Luncheon for MLK “Sacrifices from the Heart”
- West Fresno Ministerial Alliance
Joint Caucus Events
Fresno
- APALA – ____________________________
- Women’s Caucus - ____________________________
- Latino – ______________________________
- Native American - ______________________
- LGBT - _______________________________
- Retirement - ___________________________

San Jose
- Latino - ______________________________
- AFRAM - ____________________________
- PWD - _______________________________
- Retirement - ___________________________

New Business
- Leadership Training – Unity Hall time is **TBA**
- Election for Local-wide AFRAM Chair - both areas are ok w/the status quo
- Bylaws to be established – TBA (?)
- RSVP – for meetings and events -
- 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!
  Travelling to Detroit on Thursday April 16; travelling from Detroit Sunday April 19, 2015
- Next Western Regional AFRAM meeting – LA or San Jose
- Organize other chapters within the Central Valley – Kern, Kings, Tulare: TBA
- Connecting to the Community - Contact Black churches & businesses: TBA

Table to Next Meeting
1] NAMI
2] Juneteenth
3] Convention

Adjournment Time 7:45 pm
Motion: Patricia S-Clay
2nd: Alysia
Carried: Unanimous

Next Meeting April 9, 2015 – April 23, 2015
Call to R.S.V.P. (559) 447-2560