

**OOSYAK GEE LU SOCIETY
BOARD MEETING**

Date: April 15, 2007
Chin's Kahala Restaurant

CALLED TO ORDER

President Kenneth Chang called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.
There were 18 Officers and Directors in attendance. General Membership – 43.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES

The minutes of the January 21, 2007 Quarterly Board Meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

There were no treasurer's report because he was unable to attend due to the tax season due dates.

OFFICER'S REPORT

- A. Correspondence from the United Chinese Society Chinese Youth Camp was shared.
- B. Committee Member re-assignments were announced.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Budget & Assets Management

Harold reported that Chevron Corp had a gain of \$4600 and Citicorp had a gain of \$775.

2. Public Relations & Membership Committee

-Jamie shared the membership list and noted that 2 newsletters were returned.
-Scholarship announcement is online and in the newsletter. Due date is May 19.
-She also announced if anyone is interested in joining the PR committee, to let her know.

3. Annual Banquet

Connie announced the date, time, place of the next Annual Banquet. It is also in the latest newsletter. She also announced that no singles table will be available unless there are 10 people to form a singles table.

Other and Special Committees

1. China Travel Committee

Connie reported that there were 11 members in the group to visit Oo Syak Village. She shared a powerpoint presentation of the visit. Members of the traveling group were at the meeting. She also presented a "gold" ship to

President Ken from the Oo Syak Village group. Another powerpoint presentation was showed during lunch.

2. Bylaws Committee

-Duane announced that the Oo Syak website has the current bylaws online.

-He also passed out and read the PROPOSED changes to the bylaws, which were highlighted in BOLD print.

Comments to proposed changes:

-Ed made a comment about "the open meeting" change to the bylaws, that we can never go back to "closed meetings" if we found it necessary in the future in case disruptive circumstances made the conduct of the BOD meeting difficult. The membership would not vote for a closed BOD meeting. He suggested that the "open meeting" be left as a *standing rule*.

-Duane said we should think carefully as to what we add to the bylaws, we should not be making changes to accommodate some people.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

none

OLD BUSINESS

none

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Oo Syak donated \$100 for Ching Ming celebration that occurred on April 6, so President Ken asked for a motion to approve the donation. It was seconded and passed by a voice vote.
- B. Increase Li See for banquet attendance from \$15.00 to \$20.00. After a discussion, it was motioned (Shirleen) and seconded (Duane) to increase the li see. A voice vote was taken.
- C. Bylaws and hospitalization discussion – “When does a member receive \$50.00?” The bylaws need clarification? After much discussion, it was agreed that the person must be in the hospital, it is only a one time event, no inpatient services. Questions to consider: Who keeps track of the check writing from year to year? Treasurer?? Last President?? The President also needs to be informed of events.
- D. Donation to the Phoenix Group (Hawaii Theatre Performance – Spirit of China) A member of the phoenix group was in attendance and shared what the money will be used for. After much discussion it was motioned

(Connie) and seconded (Shirleen) to donate \$100.00. A voice vote was taken.

- E. Bylaws Proposed changes – Roy suggested that the BOD needs to study the proposals before a vote can be taken. It should be on the agenda for the next meeting.
- F. Edith reported that a member questioned about entertaining out of town visitors, the scholarship dinner and who should be invited. She also commented that we need to have a budget and it should be reported in the newsletter. *Comments by other Board members* – Scholarship facilities too small and could not be honored at annual banquet because many return to school at that time; also budget information is private and should not be for anyone to see published. Because the meeting was too long, it was motioned (Ed) that Edith form a committee called “This ‘n That” to work on these comments/ questions.

ADJOURNMENT: 12:20pm

Respectfully Submitted:

Connie Mark
English Secretary

