

East-West Center Participants Association

Meeting Minutes

December 17, 2015

Board Members Present:

1. Shintaro Taniguchi, *President*
2. Gautam Anand, *Vice-President*
3. Md. Maruf Hossain, *Secretary*
4. Solongo Tsetsegmaa, *Sustainability Coordinator*
5. Nisha Pinjani, *Hale Kuahine Rep*
6. Akino Oshiro, *GSO Rep*
7. Yong Wu, *EWC Alumni Rep*
8. Deki Yangzom, *Community Service Coordinator*
9. Maitry Biswas, *Community Service Coordinator*
10. Qi Liu, *Activities Committee Coordinator*
11. Mitieli Cama, *Activities Committee Coordinator*
12. Sabhyta Sabharwal, *Sustainability Coordinator*
13. Ron Vave, *Shuttle Coordinator*

Other present:

Muzamel Yahia, EWCPA participant

Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at 6.00 p.m. by Chair, Shintaro Taniguchi

Business:

1. Budget review:

Motion: The president presented the status of fund in EWCPA A & B funds. Some adjustments were proposed to make best use of the remaining budget.

Resolved: Motion carried.

2. Sound System review report:

Motion: Activities Committee coordinator, Miti, reported the status of sound equipment found in EWCPA office room. Except for Mixer and Keyboard, other equipment were found to be working.

3. Community Service Event:

Motion: A Community Service Event was carried out on February. The board thanked Ron Vave for driving.

4. Staff Appreciation Day:

Motion: The Staff Appreciation Day was scheduled to be held on 02/26. Gautam and Sabhyta were assigned to take charge of the preparation.

Resolved: Motion carried.

5. International Food Festival:

Motion: International Food Festival date was fixed to be 03/06. Details of the events and EWCPA fusion team was proposed.

Resolved: Motion carried

6. East West Fest:

Motion: East West Fest date was fixed to be 04/03. Qi was assigned to be the event coordinator.

Resolved: Motion carried

7. Story Telling Night:

Motion: Story Telling Night was proposed by Qi. Details of the event was discussed and Qi was requested to make further arrangements.

Resolved: Motion carried

8. Earth Day- Sustainability & Garden Coordinators:

Motion: Gardening workshop was proposed by Tamara. She was requested to provide details within next meeting to celebrate Earth day on 4/22

Resolved: Motion carried

9. Alumni Fund Raising Event:

Motion: The president informed that the Alumni Fund Raising Event will require participants and volunteers.

10. EWCPA Life-magazine (Post board):

Motion: The concept proposed by a EWCPA participant, Muzamel Yahia. The goals of the magazine and other details were discussed. Members were asked for comments and approval.

Resolved: Motion carried.

11. EWC Housing Security Discussion: Following a security breach on 02/23 in Hale Manoa 6th floor, the EWCPA president would have a meeting with housing facilities office on 02/25. The board was notified about it.

12. CBI Planning: Kuhio wanted to set some dates so that EWCPA can begin to collaborate on this overall concept of CBI. The board was notified about the meeting dates and possible discussion areas.

13. EWCPA Spouse Event:

Motion: Spouse Rep proposed to host an event for the EWCPA spouses.

Resolved: Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 7 pm.