

PNWJETAA

Council Meeting Minutes (01 February, 2018)

02.01.2018 / 18:00 / WeWork (Westlake Tower), 11F (Common Area)

ATTENDEES: Zung Do/ Adam Ledyard / Zack Williams / Jessica Record / Sophie Mecham/ Lynn Miyachi

*Happy Hour: 19:30 - 21:00 @ TanakaSan - 2121 6th Ave, Seattle

Meeting called to order at: 6:06 PM (Zung)

Meeting Minutes Review

Minutes reviewed and approved (Adam, Cheryl)

Treasurer's Report

- A. Pins
 - 1. Pins with Lynn
 - 2. To be handed to members when they come/ join
 - 3. For members ONLY
 - 4. Consulate to receive some
- B. Zack to take over Treasurer reports
 - 1. Transitions report to be finished by 5 February, Monday
- C. Budget for MOFA needed
 - 1. Suggestions for culture events needed this year
 - 2. Zack will handle

Special Guest(s) - JASSW

- A. Josephine Hoyne and Carolyn Peterson
- B. Presentation on JIS, JAS-NETm Grassroots Summit + Q&A (15-20 min)
- C. "Japan in the schools"
 - 1. Teach all ages of kids
 - 2. Looking for volunteers
- D. "America in the schools"
 - 1. If you make trip back to Japan, please volunteer
 - 2. Tell old contacts too
- E. Seeking members for JAS
 - 1. JET Alumni: ~\$60.00
 - 2. First year back: \$20.00
- F. JAS NET
 - 1. Less formal, more about networking
- G. Grassroots

1. 18-24 September, 2018 (Tuesday to Monday)
2. Please help organize volunteers, be primary recruiters
 - a. Would like help with dinner on 18 September (about 5 groups, 2 people each; 10 people total)
 - b. Japanese availability can be low
 - c. Onsite coordinators
3. Diverse attendance expected
 - a. 3 schools (2 from Fukushima, 1 from Nara)
 - b. Likely older people, retired who have time

Upcoming Events

- A. Hurry Curry (Beck Yoshitani) - No new info yet
- B. PNWJETAA Nominations (Michelle)
 1. Closed as of 01/31; **12 nominations**
 2. Will start contacting them to see if they will run -> then send for votes
 3. Elections until **02/16**
 4. Will be decided if run within 1 week
 5. Will know results by Shinnenkai
 6. Exit Interviews (Wufoo)
 - a. Send link to exiters soon, maybe people before too
 - b. Examples of past officers to contact: Cheryl, Ashley, Dan, etc.
- C. February Happy Hour: Nomikai + Networking at TanakaSan - TONIGHT (02/01)
 1. Representative from JASSW to attend (claps!)
- D. Shinnenkai and Annual Meeting: 17-Feb (Sat) 18:00 - 20:00 @ JCCCW
 1. Cheryl to lead; will set up event notice
 - a. Send photos from 2017-2018 JETAA activities to Cheryl
 - b. Caterers are all people of color* owned and run
 - i. Desserts are not
 2. Budget (Adam): ~\$580 (\$20 to attend; \$25 for 2 drink tickets)
 3. BrownPaper Tickets being advertised on FB
 - a. Kids under 12: free
 - b. Kids Corner: Same set-up as last year including bar, kid's play area
 1. Zung to face-paint
 4. Supplies (leftovers)
 5. Food - Google Sheet sign-up:
 6. Cheryl: cupcakes
 7. Michelle: quiche
 - a. Sophie: TBD pasta salad, dessert, other?
 - b. Volunteers needed
 - c. Set-up: 16:00~; Doors open: 17:30
 - d. Raffle prizes + Super Secret Events **"we can't talk about it now"
- E. March Happy Hour (Bruce Rutledge): Date & Time = TBA @ Junkichi Collab
 1. Soft open in Japanese restaurant (food free; drinks are not free)
 2. Rescheduled
 3. Maximum: 45 people (require people to give feedback/complete survey as "fee")

- F. Tomodachi Gala: 31-Mar (Sat), 17:00 - 21:00 @ JCCCW
 - 1. JCCCW annual fundraiser event
 - 2. Tickets are available
 - 3. PNWJETAA usually attend as guests or volunteers (tables are too \$\$)
 - 4. Zung to volunteer - will send emails to ask for more people to help
- G. Fukushima Kenjinkai 100th Anniversary: 27 October(Saturday) @ Seattle Airport Marriott
- H. Volunteers needed
- I. 55th Hyogo-Washington Sister City Relationship: TBA
- J. PNWJETAA Represented @ JETAANY (New York) 30th Gala
 - 1. Zung (President) and Cheryl (Country Rep)
 - 2. NYC, lucky ducks!
- K. Walk-for-Rice
 - 1. 30 June (Saturday)
- L. Training
 - 1. NOT on Father's Day weekend
 - 2. Possible date: 23 June

Past Events

- 1. N/A

Membership Update (Lynn)

- 1. New sign-ups via website: 2 T-Ins (Anchorage + LA)
- 2. Request from Consulate for total # of registered JETs
 - a. Submitted to Consulate on 12/12/2016 - Total Registered Members as of date: 590
- 3. Request from Chelsea for returnee/re-locates since 2016 Welcome Back Reception (18 November 2016)
 - a. Sent 12/12/2017 and
 - b. 2 additional 2017 returnee names submitted to Chelsea 01/31/2018 for consideration to be invited to Welcome back Reception - if they are not included this year, they will be included on the next WB Reception invitation list
- 4. Request for Montana JETAA Members - sent 01/17/2018

Transitions (Jessica)

- 1. Financial report
- 2. Next year

PNW JETAA Inventory

- A. Vertical & horizontal banners = Adam
- B. ASK ME buttons = Lynn
- C. Binders, folders, USBs = Zung
- D. New PNWJETAA pins = Lynn
- E. Adam has all the things; a closet of wonder and JETAA things

Tech and Website Update(s)

- A. Account with MailChimp (in-progress) - Template created
- B. Archive and re-insert memberships to filter 500+
- C. On duplicates: can be set-up to filter duplicates (be flagged if e-mail is missing)

- D. E-mail from membership: we are switching over from ListServ; that's us (it's official) - Date TBD - would like to coordinate w/ new database system launch
- E. First Future event e-mail will come from Secretary after February Meeting (elections)
- F. ETA for new database system launch - ideally January

Misc. Final Business

- A. Keiro Northwest Volunteering Opportunities (retirement community)
- B. By-laws renewal/update deadline (date, time, officers)
 - a. Lynn passed draft to Adam
 - b. Officers only to edit - during separate meeting
 - c. Lynn to put on Drive
- C. Logo items/ Happi/ Pins (status) - now in full production; delivery by end of February (200 pins)

Meeting Adjourned: 6:57 PM

Next Meeting Date & Location:

8 March (Thur) 18:30~ @ Westlake Tower, 12 F in 12 C Conference Room

