#### **PNWIFTAA**

# Monthly Meeting Agenda (07 June 2018)

#### 07.06.2018 / 18:30 / WeWork (Westlake Tower), 10F Conference Room A

ROLE CALL: Zung Do / Cheryl Hou / Grant Laughlin / Lynn Miyauchi / Adam Ledyard / Zack Williams / Michelle Kato / Sam Corpuz / Miranda Barril (in spirit) / Jessica Record

SPECIAL GUESTS: None

Call to Order (Adam):

## **Meeting Minutes Review**

#### Treasurer's Report (Zack)

- A. People are owing!
  - a. Adam will give receipts to Zack, Zack will write checks
  - b. Cheryl owed substantial amount
  - B. Budget request for JET training approved!

# **Upcoming Events**

- A. Hurry Curry (Becky Yoshitani): Date/Time TBA
  - a. Adam will send an email this month(?) to Becky regarding Washi
- B. JET Training: June 16th–17th; 09:00–17:00 Sat, 09:00–15:00 Sun; Thomson Hall 101, UW
  - a. From Cheryl:
    - i. Preliminary info
    - ii. Registration Form
    - iii. Day 1 Schedule
    - iv. Day 2 Schedule
    - v. Master List fill in ph# and availability
  - b. Volunteers still needed:
    - i. Bento pick-up (Sat): Adam
    - ii. Finances as a JET Session (Sun): Zack
    - iii. Michelle: join Adam for Legal & Safety Session
    - iv. Alumni Q&A— need as many people as possible
  - c. Shortlist results: 60 participants, may change as the weeks go on
  - d. Contact Maggie (in place of Chelsea)

- C. Walk-for-Rice: June 30th (Sat)
  - a. Ari & Yuki will co-Captain
  - b. PNWJETAA page is now LIVE on WFR site
  - c. Draft in progress for PNWJETAA website
  - d. Pizza JET Together to follow at Tutta Bella in Columbia City (need to coordinate w/Cheryl)
  - e. Biggest one yet for JETAA!
- D. Japan Night game is on Sunday, July 1st at 4pm
  - a. WNBA game, Seattle Storm
  - b. Japanese player: Ramu Tokashiki
  - Need someone to organize a group if we are interested
- E. Kumamon Summer Family Picnic: July 7th (Sat), 11:30–16:00, Seward Park (Shelter #3)
  - a. Kumamoto Kenjin Kai: hot dogs, chili, watermelon, water, snacks
  - b. Raffle and games
  - c. Zung & Lynn will support!
- F. Japan Fair: July 7th & 8th (Sat & Sun), Meydenbauer Center
  - a. JETAA gets a booth! Volunteer coordinator & volunteers needed
- G. JAS Golf Tournament: July 13th, New Castle Golf
  - a. Volunteers needed
  - b. Flyer & info
- H. J-LEAP Arrival Training (Laurasian Institution): July 25th–29th (Wed–Sun), Northwest University
  - a. Sunday, July 29 Training day
  - b. Possibility for officers to join "Final Lunch" (bento from I <3 Sushi) on 29-Jul
    - i. End of June to confirm attendance for lunch & bento
    - ii. Will be included in June's newsletter
  - c. 13:00 14:30; possibility to drive some people to SEATAC?
  - d. Good networking opportunity!
- I. JET Send Off (Reception July 27th, Plane leaves July 28th)
- J. 55th Hyogo-Washington Sister State Anniversary: July 27–28
  - a. Good networking opportunity
  - b. Invite list TBD
  - c. Need volunteers (dinner at governor's residence)
- K. Summer Picnic: Aug 11th (Sat), Luther Burbank
  - a. Reserved (Cheryl); payment pending?
  - b. Adam is coordinating, Zung is Costco liaison
  - c. Adam will be in charge of yakisoba
  - d. Lynn will provide takoyaki maker, Zung knows a takoyaki chef
- L. Nat Con: September? (Date TBD)
- M. Volunteering for Grassroots Summit: Sept 18th (Tue), 17:30–20:00
  - a. JASSW needs a group of 8+ volunteers to help lead groups to different dinner locations
  - b. Josephine is the lead; Adam, Michelle, & Jessica interested or involved
  - Meet at the Westin Downtown Seattle, more info will be available later
- N. Japan Week "Matsuri" (formerly Aki Matsuri) at Bellevue College: October 6th
  - a. Only the 6th is open to the public

- O. Fukushima Kenjinkai 100th Anniversary: Oct. 27th (Sat), 11:00, Seattle Airport Marriott Hotel
  - a. JETAA (Cheryl) will help with storage of things from Japan for the event
- P. Possible ramen western at Dawn's ranch & saloon near Tacoma possible idea for summer, will need to follow up
  - a. Could also do a park in that area (Zack)
- Q. Karaoke Taikai with JASSW: date TBD, Lagunitas Brewing Taproom, Ballard
  - a. Carolyn: Lagunitas is booked through summer, possible fall event
- R. Future plans for a Tacoma Japan Festival (Jessica)
  - a. Mira Utz is our contact
- S. Joint Ski Trip with Vancouver BC chapter: Winter 2018/19
  - a. Tai, the president of the JETAABC wants to coordinate and maybe organize a trip with our chapter
  - b. Coordinator with BC: Sam

#### **Past Events**

- A. Upcoming Sound the Alarm Events (American Red Cross) Michelle
  - a. ??
- B. Sake de Mayo Backyard Barbecue: May 5th (Sat), 13:00–18:00
- C. Kodomo no Hi: May 6th (Sun), 11:00–17:00, JCCCW
- D. Bowl-a-Strike Against Cancer: May 12th (Sat), 1 via website10:00-12:30, Federal Way
  - a. Zung attended?
- E. Grassroots Summit Volunteer Coordinator Tabletop: May 16th, time TBD?
  - a. Jessica called into meeting
- F. JETAA Portland Iron Chef: May 19th, Portland (NE 55th & Sandy Blvd)
  - a. Michelle & Zung attended
- G. JASNET Exploring the Gaming Industry in Japan and Washington State: May 20th, Digipen 2PM-4PM
- H. JASNET Wine Tasting & Networking: May 22nd, 18:30-20:00, Browne Vineyards Tasting Room
  - a. Many JETAA members attended!

#### Membership Update (Lynn)

A. 1 via website - need to hook folks up w/ mailchimp - will follow up - have been hearing that some folks have been lost in the shuffle or simply need to check their junk mail

## Transitions/Jobs (Jessica & Lynn)

A. Thanks to Grant - job posting app is up & will be updated as jobs are received. Use newsletter as reminder or teaser to channel folks to website.

## **PNW JETAA Inventory**

- A. Vertical & Horizontal banners = Adam
- B. ASK ME Buttons = Lynn
- C. New PNWJETAA pins = Lynn
- D. Binders, folders, USBs = Adam
- E. Beverage condiments & coffee = Michelle

- F. Voice recorders = Adam
  - a. Michelle will keep them
- G. Newsletter binders = Zung
- H. Thank you cards = Adam
- I. Deep storage for items used once-a-year at Cheryl's storage unit
- J. Please update the inventory list on Drive! (spreadsheet here)

## **Tech and Website Update**

- A. Website redesign!
  - a. Some photo links are broken, needs to be updated (Adam)
  - b. Revamp site aesthetics: template, photos, layout (Michelle) before the end of summer
  - c. Bios will be online by end of May (Michelle)
  - d. Contact Kate from NY about graphic design for the site for a full revamp (Zung)
    - i. Logo needs to be decided first before any site revamp (see Misc.)
  - e. Upload meeting minutes Grant will update
  - f. Jobs are added!

#### **Newsletter** (Mandi)

- A. First newsletter sent!
  - a. Release went well!
  - b. 23% open rate, 96 emails bounced
- B. Notes for newsletter
  - a. Events nothing beyond two months, maybe article some events we want to highlight
  - b. Message from Chelsea for June (possible farewell message?) (Sam)
  - c. Email Mandi (newsletter account) to add events, other content to newsletter

#### Misc. Final Business

- A. Nengajo project (Zack) use as a save the date for JETAA 30th anniversary
  - a. Putting on the back-burner until new logo is decided
- B. Returning from Nat Con (date TBA)
  - a. Update from Michelle above (see Treasurer's Report)
- C. By-Laws renewal/update deadline
  - a. Separate meeting to be scheduled sometime in June?
  - b. Adam will take the lead
- D. Logo Redesign taking it off the back-burner!
  - a. Launch Logo Contest in June!
  - b. Create a separate mailchimp to send info out
  - c. Michelle will make the survey with Zack
- E. Monthly meetings, minutes, and agendas on our website (Grant & Sam) (see Website & Tech above)
- F. Re: Old binders and notes (Adam & Sam) Adam will check if scanner still works
- G. Young Professionals Fund
  - a. Provide a discount to approved events (e.g. JASS-NET events)

- b. Possibly provide some gas money for people who need to travel from out of town
  - i. 1 hour commute Radius (Example: One-way Olympia, WA to Westlake Center in downtown Seattle = 70 miles x IRS 2018 mileage rate of \$0.545 cents/mile = \$38.15
- c. Set-up a separate savings account
- d. Adam will donate the money that hasn't been paid back to him (\$605.96)
- e. Maybe ask older members if they would like to contribute to this fund in the future, acknowledge donors with a small token (certificate?)
- f. Gives donations some purpose

# **Meeting Adjourned:**

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