

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DIVISIONAL RESPONSIBLE MEN AND THE  
CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE TULE LAKE CENTER

February 26, 1944

Regular meeting of the divisional responsible men and the Co-ordinating Committee of the Tule Lake Center was held on February 26, 1944, from 2:05 p.m., at 1608 - A. In the absence of Chairman B. Aki-tsuki, M. Shimada presided.

Attendance was recorded as shown on the attached sheet.

Minutes of the divisional head meeting held on February 12, 1944 were read and approved as read.

Mr. Shimada reported on the up-to-date activities of the Co-ordinating Committee as follows:

- (1) A letter dated February 23, 1944 from the Spanish Consul regarding the creation of this Committee was acknowledged to Spanish Embassy Washington D.C.
- (2) Motor Pool problem, relative to the special meeting, result of the meeting and the memorandum addressed to Mr. Failing, which transpired as a result of the delayed reinstatement of the ex-employees of the Motor Pool, is still pending.
- (3) Janitor problem, which is based on instruction to reduce one janitor from each block, was presented at the Advisory Council's meeting. The Council therewith referred such to Mr. Robertson.
- (4) Takahashi, Aizo was approved by the Advisory Council as advisor to the Co-ordinating Committee and also head of the Arrangement Committee.

At this time, Slaughter House employees (upon approval of the body present) took the floor and requested for the body's aid in investigating the reason why they were not recalled to work despite their long wait for assignments. Mr. Ninomiya, head of Packing Shed and Slaughter House, explained that at the time of back-to-work movement, he had left the Slaughter House matter to Roy Mochizuki's discretion. Thereupon, after prolonged discussion, the Chair requested Mr. Ninomiya to look into the matter with Mochizuki to settle this question amicably.

Highlights of the Divisional Responsible Men's report were as follows:

- Construction; We have requested for 40 more carpenters, however, the request seems to have been "bottlenecked" at the Placement. Would like to request the Committee to investigate the 'bottleneck'.
- Furniture Factory; Isamu Nishite 3013-C has lost two fingers (the ends- 1/3 of the fingers) during machine operation. What would the compensation be in such a case?
- Also will you please investigate the situation where an employee breaks his eye glasses during work--whether the WRA will duly replace such?



In regard to the Compensation, Mr. Yamatani cited a similar case undergone by a Co-op employee. He, upon investigation, stated that U. S. Compensation, according to Employment Bureau, is calculated on the basis of salary times 12 months divided by 52 weeks. ( e.g. = \$16 X 12 ÷ 52 X no. of wks. worked). 17 weeks is the claimable maximum number of weeks.

Upon motion made, seconded, and carried the meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Byron Akitsuki  
Executive secretary

#### ATTENDANCE

James Nishida	602 - C	Toshikatsu Miyasaki	4211 - A
S. Saito	1302 - A	Eiichi Yoshida	4402 - D
Kumesaburo Kosaka	1405 - D	Kunaske Kawamoto	4807 - A
Kenichi Watamura	3704 - A	M. Furuta	4811 - A
Kiyoshi Nakatani	3819 - B	Kinoru Kojo	5403 - A
James Okamoto	2214 - C	Chiyosho Mizumoto	5405 - E
Frank Miyake	3107 - D	Saburo Morishima	6703 - E
Hideo Sakuma	3203 - D	Ninomiya	7117 - A
Richard Kondo	2004 - B	Ishida	
Kurahara	4013 - A		

#### Co-ordinating Committee

M. Shimada  
J. Nakao  
K. Okamoto  
G. Yamatani