

January 21, 1943
Thursday

Conference Room

9:30 A.M.

Absentees: Messrs. Hayashida, Hara, and Kaneko.

1. Recreation: Space

Mr. Fujimoto reported that following recreation halls have been moved:

- 6-26: Band has been moved from 6-26 to 8-25S.
- Janitor Supply Depot has moved to Administration ground
- 12-26: Indoor recreation will move whenever notified.
The different church groups will be located elsewhere.
- 12-25: Post office and block office move from 12-25N to 12-25S
- Technical Division of Recreation Dept.: 12-25S to 12-26S
- 15-26: Post office will move from 15-26S to 14-26S to make space for grade school children activities.
- 25-26: Elementary Principal's office moves to 22-25N.
Church services being held at 22-25N will be placed elsewhere. Block office moves to 25-25N.
- 28-25: Activities in 28-25N move to 29-25N.
28-25S to 28-26S.
Block 29 office will be in 29-25S.
Judo space undecided. Block office in 27-25N moves to 27-25S.

2. Movie schedule was given to each Block Chairmen who approved such schedule as the new system for obtaining permit for the use of mess halls has become effective wherein only approval by Block Chairmen and Mr. Haller is necessary. The movie to be shown will be "Butch Minds the Baby".

3. Census for Servicemen within the Center:

Mr. Mineta informed the Council to convey block residents the request made by the USO committee to report to USO headquarters the names of resident servicemen and their families.

4. JACL Representatives Visit to Heart Mountain:

Mr. Mitarai requested Block Chairmen's opinion as to advisability of JACL representatives visit to this center and explained the purposes for such visit:

- a. To build up background for report to be forwarded to Washington;
- b. To clear misunderstanding of general Japanese public with respect to JACL activities;
- c. To recruit membership of JACL.

Discussion followed but being unable to reach conclusion the Council decided to conduct a special session in the afternoon.

5. Pay-Lent Library:

Mr. Barber announced that the proposed pay-lent library will be on a larger scale than originally proposed, 500-600 books will be purchased including fictions and detective stories. Space for this library will be provided on one end of the present library.

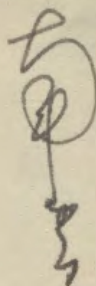
6. Temporary Judicial Code:

A temporary judicial code was established to provide a more adequate judicial system and procedure for handling criminal cases within this center. Copy of which will be distributed by the Secretary of the Council to each Block Chairman.

7. Meeting adjourned at noon.

BLOCK CHAIRMEN'S MEETING
JANUARY 21, 1943

9:30 A.M.



1. Request the eligibility of Block Chairmen to unemployment compensation retractive to October 1, without instituting a waiting period of 15 days and also Block Chairmen and their dependants be paid September compensation of \$4.75.
2. In case of emergency repairs needed in the block, Block Chairman be given authority to issue request for job orders for such repairs instead of going through red tape.
3. Request installation of an additional woman to take charge of stoves in the women's latrines during the night after 5:00 P.M. as it is too arduous for one woman to take charge of stoves in women's latrines in both laundry buildings as well as a watch over sewing rooms.
4. Provide a window to take charge of postal savings within the post office.
5. Erect a waiting room just within the center gate for the benefit of visitors from outside to wait for trucks.
6. Nail up or lock up empty apartments after removing or segregating congested families.
7. There have been several complaints against the gateman or gatement in the way of treating visitors and in-comers; it is said that his attitude and language toward residents and visitors are very contemptible and unkindly, and though without apparent reasons he confiscates in-comers' property. We request that Mr. Robertson look into the matter for investigation.
8. Request instructions clearly defining works and functions of Block Chairmen and Block Managers.
9. Request Mr. Lummie to provide a water drainage system by digging ditches in Blocks 12, 17, 20, and 27 as overflowed water freezes and causes many hazards.
10. Request protection of residents personal property against damages and losses in the course of shipment to the center.

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At Conference Room
Special Session

Mr. Nagumo
At 1:30 P.M.

12-24-B

Absentees: Messrs: Tsuneishi, Matsushige, Hayashida, Fujimoto,
Kaneko, and Hara.

1. Unemployment Compensation for Block Chairmen;

The Council decided to request that the unemployment compensation for Block Chairmen be effected retroactive to October 1, 1942, without instituting waiting period of 15 days and that the September compensation of \$4.75 to the family heads and their dependants be paid who are eligible for such compensation starting September 1.

2. Emergency Repairs Within the Blocks;

Mr. Gorai proposed to abolish red tape in obtaining services from the Carpenter Club and to issue job orders through a Block Chairman's request in the case of emergency repairs needed. Proposal passed for recommendation to Mr. Lumis.

3. Additional Woman Stove Attendant in Women's Latrines;

In consideration of one woman Sewing room watch who has to take charge of stoves in the women's latrines in both laundry buildings from 5 A.M. to 12 midnight Mr. Okazaki proposed to request installation of an extra woman just to take charge of stoves in the women's latrines during the night after 5 P.M. Passed.

4. Postal Savings;

Mr. Okazaki proposed to request the center Post Office to provide window for postal savings for the benefit of residents. Passed.

5. Custody of Valuables;

Secretary Iwamoto to see Mr. Nelson regarding this matter.

6. Waiting Room For Visitors from Outside;

Mr. Mineta proposed to erect a waiting room just within the center gate for the shelter of visitors from outside against severe weathers. Passed.

7. Locking Up of Empty Apartments;

Mr. Tsunokai proposed to nail up or lock up empty apartments after removing or segregating congested families. Passed.

8. Investigation of Hospital Management;

Mr. Tsunokai informed that Dr. Ito had requested him to convey health committee of the Council to investigate hospital situations and its personnel problems. Health Committee was assigned for the investigation.

9. Pay on Overtime;

Mr. Tsunokai reported that mess workers are said to be paid for overtime put in firing stoves late at night in the mess halls. Secretary Iwamoto was assigned to find out the authenticity of said information and if true, he is to find out the applicability of said privilege to all fields of employment.

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10. Complaint against Gateman or Gatemen in Treating In-Comers:
There have been several complaint in the way the gatemen receive in-comers, and ~~there~~ his contemptible attitude and language, and confiscation of property. Mr. Oka proposed to submit the complaint to Mr. Robertson for consideration, and the Council passed that request for Mr. Robertson to look into the matter be submit in agenda.
11. Refraining of Abysive Expression by Caucasian faculty members:
Mr. Oka pointed out that a Caucasian teacher often uses abusive expression such as "Jep" in his or her conversation with resident school children.
The Council decided that Mr. Oka check up the identity of such teachers.
12. Distinction in Functions between Block Chairmen and Block Managers:
Mr. Oka proposed to request the clearance of duties and functions as Block Chairmen and Block Managers. Passed.
13. Water Drainage Ditch:
Mr. Nagumo proposed to dig a ditch for water drainage in Blocks 12, 17, and 20, and 27 as water overflows the streets which is frozen thus causing the danger of slipping. Passed.
14. Additional Space for Garages:
Mr. Nagumo pointed out the lack of garage buildings which causes inconvenience in repairing trucks. The Council decided to ask Mr. Lane what could be done to ease situation.
15. Protection of Personal Property:
The Council decided to request the protection of personal property against damages and losses while being shipped to the center.
16. Floor Plan for Block Offices:
The Council approved the floor plan presented by Mr. Barber which is as follows:
- | Block 1--at 26N | Block 2--at 25N | Block 6--at 25S |
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| 8-- 25N | 9-- 25N | 12-- 25N |
| 14-- 26S | 25-- 25N | 17-- 25N |
| 20-- 26S | 21 25S | 22-- 26S |
| 23 26S | 24 26N | 27-- 26N |
| 28 26S | 29 25S | 30-- 26S |
17. JACL Representatives Visit to Heart Mountain:
The Council decided and advised Mr. Oka to convey Mr. Mitarae the Council's opinion that this body considers this is not an opportune time for JACL to make visit and recommend that JACL's visit would be welcome sometime in the future when it is considered no trouble or disturbance would come out of such visit.
Mr. Koide proposed to send copy of questions forwarded to Spanish Vice-Consul and a copy of Dillon Myer's reply