

BLOCK CHAIRMEN'S MEETING

February 4, 1943

(9:30 A.M.)

1. Request explanation on the proper procedure in obtaining job orders for block work.
(Mr. Todd or Mr. Lummis)
2. Request erection of poulces over and across muddy places around mess halls, laundry and other entrances,
3. Request speeding up of distribution of sands to each block to be used to make entrances not slipperly which had been agreed upon already.
4. Request definite information as to the exact place where faucet for rubber hose connection to be attached. (Messrs. Lummis or Mason)
5. Request information regarding response from Washington on letter sent to Washington last fall concerning clothing issuance.
6. Request information regarding the progress on mop-handles to be distributed to the residents as well as on buckets.

February 4, 1945

Conference Room

9:30 A.M.

Absentees: Kaneko, Akauchi.

1. Clarence Matsumura of movie dept. announced that George Matsumura from Manzanar hereafter will take charge of movies under Recreation Dept. Expect to have definite plan for future showings, also, system of weekly financial accounting.
2. Communication from Recreation Dept. regarding simplification of obtaining permits for use of mess halls read. To wit-- recreation Dept. and block office to make arrangement and notify people concerned.
3. Communication from Community Council of Poston #1 dated Jan. 26, 1943 read. Decided to draft reply enclosing "Administrative function" charts. Points to be included are:
 - 1) factual data regarding number of Caucasian employees in this center.
 - 2) Asking proportion regarding same in Poston.
4. Information given that War Dept. is to send several men to Center within a few days to open office to receive application for voluntary enlistment.
5. Representatives from Carpenters' club explained that since middle of last November there is no block carpenters and that all jobs are done on the basis of job orders. Up to now all materials were charged to Maintenance Dept. which was not right. From now on jobs for mess halls would be charged against commissary; hospital jobs against hospital division, and so on. Any new jobs must have job order first. Council decided to request either Mr. Todd or Lummis to explain about job order routine.
6. Mr. J. Fujioka explained about the need for starting series of adult education lecturers mobilizing qualified resident talents on topics such as health, prevention of juvenile delinquency, etc. He suggested that it be carried under Recreation Dept. supervision. Opinion expressed that it might come under night school supervision. Council suggested that Mr. Fujioka submit list of available lecturers.

7. Communications and contributions from Mrs. Freed of Duluth, Minnesota, as well as group of Duke University students read.
Decided to:

- a) Write letters of thanks
- b) Money to be turned over to recreation dept.
- c) Text of letter to be given to the Reports division for publication in the "Sentinel"

8. Communication from Dr. Irwin regarding 1,400 chambers read. Dr. Irwin's suggestion that he turn over the same to block Managers supported.

9. Mr. Sashihara explained about the proposed "trustee-ship" for the community Enterprises, pending further development as the formation of Coop. WMA is taking this step since present set-up has no legal foundation, and cannot be tolerated according to Declaration of Trustee-ship:

Beneficially	Residents
Number of Trustees	Seven residents; no Caucasian allowed
Names of Trustees	Kenneth Sato Henry T. Horiuchi Jim Ichiki Uyemura Chobei Tsujigura Yoneo Bepp Tom Sashihara Rikio *Tomo
Purpose	"To hold and use" the funds until such time when coop is organized.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

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Conference Room

2:30 A.M.
(noon session)

Absentees: Kaneko, Kakuuchi, Hara and Ishikawa (Block 25)

1. Mr. Kanai formerly of San Francisco reported on his experience in connection with evacuation from citizen's viewpoint.

2. FIRE DEPT. problem:

Mr. Mason, Fire Prevention office, suggested that instead of accepting Fire-chief Mr. Yahiro's resignation, give him two weeks vacation, and let him rest.

Council expressed confidence in Mr. Yahiro, and agreed with Mr. Mason's suggestion. Mr. Yahiro agreed to stay on the job. Mr. Yahiro reported on the proposed fire-fighter training course.

3. Requesting of providing of ~~planks~~ to erect small pathway across muddy places around mess halls, laundry, etc. Passed.

4. To speed-up distribution of sand to each mess hall to make entrances not slippery which had already been agreed upon. Passed.

5. To obtain definite information regarding exact place where faucet for rubber hose connection to be attached. Passed.

6. Question of shoe repairing charge--referred to Coop sub-committee of the Council.

7. Requesting of information regarding response on letter on Clothing sent to Washington last fall. Passed.

8. Sub-Committee members:

In view of several changes in Council membership, re-
apportionment of sub-committees were made.

Complete list:

CLOTHING

Ishikawa (9)
Fujimoto
Kaneko
Oka
Mineta

EDUCATION

Tsuneishi
Ishikawa (9)
Sashihara
Nagumo
Kaneko

FOOD

Tsunokai
Kakuuchi
Ishikawa (25)
Nagamori
Koide

COOP ENTERPRISES

Iwasaki
Matsushige
Hayashida
Ishikawa (25)
Gorai

HOUSING

Oshio
Hara
Mineta
Okazaki
Gozzi

LABOR

Iwasaki
Matsushige
Nagumo
Sashihara
Koide

HEALTH

Okazaki
Hara
Kakuuchi
Oka
Nagamori

RECREATION

Nagamori
Koide
Fujimoto
Oshio
Tsuneishi

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AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRY

Tsunokai
Oka
Oshio
Fujimoto
Nagumo

COMMITTEE on AGENDA

NAGUMO
(GORAI) Gorai
Iwamoto
Mineta

This committee to check-up on unfinished businesses as well.

9. On MOPS and BUCKETS:
To request once more regarding this matter.
10. Need for formation of organization of outside labor to obtain fair working condition--referred to labor committee.
11. Proposal to have Chairmen's dinner party: Passed. Date February 12 (Lincoln's Birthday) arrangement committee: Messrs. Tsunokai, Fujimoto, and Okazaki.
12. Mr. Matsui requests that all activities obtain permit from recreation Department for use of halls.
13. Protecting of laborers going out for farmwork. Referred to labor sub-committee for practical recommendation.
14. Meeting adjourned at 4:35 P.M.