

ATTENDED: Mr. John McGowan, Project Attorney on Trust.
ABSENT: Mr. Motoyoshi. Mr. Nakaki was represented by Mr. Okagaki.
TARDY: Messrs. Yonemura, Masunaga, Okazaki and Oki.
Minutes of September 30 were read and approved with a correction.

Communication from Japanese American Committee for Democracy was reviewed. Heart Mountain Red Cross Unit requested attendance of delegates from the following blocks: 14, 17, 22, 25, 27, and 30. Red Cross Unit Reporter was distributed to each councilman.

Mr. Shintaro Miyazaki was reported to have been nominated as a sole candidate for the office of councilman from Block 15. Messrs. Oka and Nakashima were appointed to the Election Committee for the election following resignation of Mr. K. Okamoto as Block 22 councilman. Election date was set for October 19.

REPORTS:

Mr. Saito was appointed to the Community Enterprises Committee. The result of the election on the use of funds of the Community Enterprises for youth organizations under the Community Activities was 11:2 in favor of approval. Undecided are Blocks 8, 15, 17, 22, 23, and 27.

Mr. Nagano served as acting chairman during the discussion of the set-up of the trustees. Mr. Kimoto contended that the trustor is WRA as the present trust has been organized by WRA. Adoption of co-op was rejected by the people, therefore, the present temporary trustees should be dissolved and a new trustees should be elected, naming the people as beneficiary. Mr. McGowan revealed that the co-op is impossible and unfeasible in the state of Wyoming, except an agricultural co-op, as Wyoming laws are not broad enough. WRA talked out of turn when the residents of Heart Mountain were instructed to choose either a co-op or trust system. This was learned recently by Washington authorities. Now the problem lies in the set-up of the trust in this center. Mr. McGowan sent a teletype to Washington as follows: "Community Council anxious to reform Trust so that trustees can be elected by some democratic process. Is it possible?" Mr. McGowan declared there is no relation between the present trust and WRA other than WRA's advisory capacity. He stated the reason WRA favoring the Community Enterprises run by the people of Heart Mountain is money, as all proceeds go to the Federal Treasury and appropriation must be set up and approved by the Congress if the Community Enterprises are operated by the Government. Motion was made and passed to postpone any discussion pertaining to the set-up of the trust until reply from Washington has been received on McGowan's teletype inquiry. Mr. Saito submitted to the Chairman a resolution by the residents of Block 21. Questions were asked by Mr. Saito on refund of Community Enterprises funds, auditing of books, etc., but Mr. Saito was asked to bring such matters to the Community Enterprise committee meetings. Mr. Sashihara informed that the Community Enterprise meetings are held every Wednesday morning from 9 AM to 10 AM.

Disposal of the Gordon Hirabayashi fund now in the custody of the Council was deliberated. Some of the councilmen expressed that the supporters of Gordon Hirabayashi and opposers to the evacuation issue are in favor of post-war issue on evacuation and confinement. The Council decided to inquire Mrs. Mary Farquharson of the American Friends Service Organization.

Mr. Okamoto moved that the Council submit a memo inquiring what measures are intended by the Administration with Block 22-28 chimney. Mr. Yonemura's motion was passed by the Council that all matters pertaining to physical needs of the block be referred to the Block Managers.

Mr. Oka proposed to recruit 3 persons per block as 60 men are needed in the coal crew. Money returned to residents from the Gordon Hirabayashi fund is intended for remuneration to the coal crew in his block, said Mr. Oka, to which Mr. Ritchie objected on the ground of unfavorable example and suggested to have the coal workers in each block explain the nature and intensity of the work at block meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 AM. Special Afternoon session will be held at 1:30 today.

AFTERNOON SESSION
1:30 PM

Messrs. Masumaga and Motoyoshi were absent. Messrs. Yonemura and Matsushige were tardy.

Attended: Mr. Jiro Sakaguchi, Executive Secretary of the Manpower Commission; Messrs. Suzuki and Tonooka of the Project Food Committee on food problem.

Mr. S. Shihara explained to Mr. Sakaguchi on manpower shortage and inquired as to the extent of the work by the Manpower Commission. Mr. Sakaguchi stated that no responsive cooperation has been shown by the Administrative staff. Manpower conferences have been held but no figurative report on employment status in each division was made. Mr. Okazaki expressed desire for Manpower Commission to function smoothly and properly.

Requisition on the coal crew has been submitted by Mr. Lewis on October 4, asking for 30 more men, and already 7 have been assigned today. Mr. Matsushige advocated that the work of the Manpower Commission can be advanced if coordination between the Commission and the Block Managers group is maintained. Mr. Oka announced the number of persons from each block working on coal as follows:

Block 1 2	Block 9 0	Block 20 3	Blk. 25 . . . 0
2 1	12 3	21 2	27 . . . 4
6 1	14 2	22 1	28 . . . 0
7 0	15 3	23 1	29 . . . 0
8 0	17 4	24 1	30 . . . 1

Mr. Suzuki of the Project Food Committee requested the Council to push the matter of requisitioning 4 concrete pits, 6'x6'x6', to make 60-80 tons of "takuan" (Jap. pickle of white radish). Mr. Suzuki said that Mr. Robertson advised the infeasibility of the project due to manpower shortage. The Council Food Committee was assigned to push the matter.

Written suggestions were submitted to the Council for approval by the Joint Committees of the Food Committees, Warehouse storekeepers, and steward. They were reviewed and deliberated by the Council and were passed to be submitted to the Project Director for consideration. As to the establishment of Tsukemono and butcher departments, the Council advised the committee to separate the issue in submitting suggestions to the Project Director.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM.
Next meeting: October 7, Thursday at 9:00 AM.