

HEART MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
CONFERENCE ROOM

March 10, 1944

Friday

9:00 AM--10:15 AM : 11:15--11:30

Absent: Block 17, Mr. Tokimasa, and Block 29.

Attended: Mr. Izumo of the Heart Mountain Red Cross Unit.

Minutes of March 7 were passed as corrected.

Mr. Dick Izumo requested the Council's support and cooperation in the Red Cross "Membership" drive during March 12-25; the goal was tentatively set at \$2,500.00. This drive is in conjunction with the national war fund campaign. The Heart Mountain chapter retains 50% of the total membership fund and possibly 50% or more of all contributions. A dollar or more contribution will entitle the donors to the membership of the local Red Cross Unit for one year starting this month. Mr. Nagumo's motion to cooperate with the Red Cross campaign in Heart Mountain passed the Council.

Amendment to the enacted Criminal Code of Heart Mountain was recommended by Mr. M. O. Anderson, Assistant Project Director, for Council's action. The suggestion was referred to the Legal Committee for action.

Mr. Everett I. Kuramoto, Block 7 councilman, was appointed to fill vacancies in the Council's sub-committees created by the former councilman from Block 7.

The Labor Committee was designated to work out a plan for equal distribution of project employment opportunities on a basis of family quotas.

Mr. Hayashida reported the number of petitioners signing the appeal to the President. 922 nisei and 1,208 issei signed on the petitions for restoration of rights as citizens of the United States for the nisei. Blocks 17, 22, 24, and 30 did not participate in the appeal sponsored by the Council. Said petitions from issei and nisei, separately, were mailed registered to the President on March 7 to other officials.

Following communications were reviewed:

A letter from the Poston Community Council on evacuee conference was read; a communication from the Minidoka Community Council requesting information on evacuee conference was reviewed; a copy of suggestions made by the Relocation Planning Commission sent to the Project Director was forwarded to the Council's sub-committee.

Mr. Wataru Fujii submitted a notice of his resignation, effective March 24. The election date was set for Tuesday, March 21. Messrs. Tsunokai and Katagi were appointed to the Council Election Committee for the election of Block 27 councilman.

Question was raised on Council's standpoint with reference to the Fair Play Committee activities. It was a generally expressed opinion of councilmen that in the event that FPC's work calls for the assistance of the Council in connection with the center's welfare, the Council shall act upon within its authority and given powers. Messrs. Nagumo and Kinoshita jointly proposed that the center blocks take a united step with respect to the FPC's campaign of its funds drive which is expected to take place in the near future. The Council passed Mr. Hayashida's motion that in case of a test case brought upon by a nisei in this center or the FPC the Council as a body, upon request thereto, may endorse the FPC or any other representing organization in support of such case to raise test case funds within the center whenever the Council deems it necessary to call for a center-wide contribution drive.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM.