

May 2, 1944

Absentee: Block 7 rep.

Communications Reviewed: Memos from M.O. Anderson in regard to soap and washboards, milk supply, and a copy of memo sent to Mr. D. Todd from M.O. Anderson in regard to placement of tombstones; letters from Mr. E.W. Meyer, International Committee of the Red Cross, Washington D.C., acknowledging our request of transmittal to Japanese Red Cross Society; from Mr. Frank Yasuda, Manzanar Block Manager Assembly, reply to household supplies; from Granada Community Council, a reply on labor census.

1. Mr. Tsunokai gave a report that it is necessary to have the police uniforms made with the available materials at Community Enterprise, for uniform material for uniforms may not be obtained due to war time shortage. Its replacements or additions will be also hard to secure. He was advised by the council to contact Mr. Matsui for his consent regarding the materials before proceeding with the financial problem.

2. Mr. Hayashida of Food Committee gave a report that further investigation on food distribution is not advisable at this time due to the fact that MP's transfer to the personnel mess, and added that such investigation will be made more accurately after their transfer.

3. Mr. Tonooka of Food Committee gave a report of the food cost of the center.

January-----Total purchase value \$101,123.58---33¹/₂¢ per capita
Bal. \$34,384.92

February----- " " " 106,263.44---38¢ 18,932.86

March----- " " " 108,792.47---37¹/₂¢ 22,922.08

Total Bal. \$ 76,239.86

He stated that Food committee has very little to say pertaining to the purchase of food. Many items presented for purchase were rejected on the basis of high cost. Mr. Haller is buying them without referring to the committee which is contrary to the procedure as it has been done in the past. Mr. Hayashida suggested that this body relate this matter to Mr. Anderson to ask Mr. Haller to consult with this committee before ordering the food for the residents.

4. Mr. Anderson announced that since the WRA is under the responsibility of department of Interior, Mr. Ickes has become active in sponsoring programs to improve public relation. Some modifications as to the gate procedure has been made, and it is advisable that the new instructions be fully understood by everybody. He suggested to have council meet with Mr. Deihl of statistical department who will explain the regulations to the council. For this purpose Chairman called special meeting tomorrow at 9 a.m. Mr. Anderson stated that any person required to act in an official capacity on the judicial commission or community government, will be given time credit but in regard to those who attend as a representative for Community Enterprise Meeting, Evacuee Conference Rep. Meeting, and etc. he will inform the council after studying the regulations.

Round table discussion with the Administrative staff will be arranged by Mr. Anderson which will be held on every other Wednesday beginning tomorrow at 10:00 a.m.

5. It was stated by Mr. Hayashida that in regard to the National evacuee conference Mr. Myer, WRA Director, requested postponement due to the fact that WRA is undergoing adjustments under Department of Interior, and it was also suggested to have the conference at other place than relocation center where evacuees pressure would be much less and added that this is also consensus opinion of the project directors.

6. It was approved as suggested by Mr. Katagi, of Education and Recreation committee to have Mother's Day party sponsored by the young people of each block and the councilman were requested to ask mess halls to make cakes for the purpose.

7. Executive Secretary was requested to write a letter of appreciation to the respective personnels for fine cooperation, assistances and participations given us to entertain our guest Sgt. Ben Kuroki.

8. Mr. Nagumo explained thoroughly the objective of the Scholarship plan adopted by the C.A. Board of Trustees, High School Faculty and Educational Committee. He asked careful consideration of each councilman and refer the same to the block people to raise fund of \$2,400 which will be sufficient to get ten to fifteen students started on the foothold of higher education.

9. In regard to the amendment made by Mr. Kimoto at previous meeting, Mr. Tokimasa of the Legal Committee explained that there are two types of regulations defined as a rule to be imposed by the penalty and a rule prescribed for management. He related the matter of obtaining voluntary contributions for the compensation of the doctors is a rule prescribed for management while the borrowing of money from the other department is a rule defined as penalty imposed and require 2/3 vote of the council.

10. Mr. Matsushige announced to those who are interested to attend a discussion of post war problems, establishment of enterprises outside and be present at 12-27 Thursday evening May 4, at seven o'clock.

11. Mr. Katagi of community activity committee announced that there will be a contest held among the block's recreational halls. There will be cash prizes awarded to the best equipped and furnished Recreation Halls, and to the best organized and scheduled programs among the people of the block. Its decision will be made by the Board of Trustees who will tour the recreation halls from June 1 to the 5th.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.