

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nakashima.

ROLL CALL: Absentee: Block 24.

COMMUNICATIONS REVIEWED:

- a. From JAFL, Salt Lake City, a Bulletin on Alien Land Law.
- b. From David Yamakawa, Assistant Supervisor of Community Activities, in appreciation for councilmen's cooperation at Densonite Welcome Program.

1. FOOD

Mr. Tonooka of Food Committee announced that a welcome dinner for the Densonites will be served on next Sunday noon. For requisitioning food for the Block party, he informed the Council to apply through Miss Hisa Hirashiki of the Community Activities. The opinions were expressed that procedure is very inconvenient, for many times Miss Hirashiki was not present at the office. Mr. Nagumo of the Recreation Committee said he will discuss this matter at the C.A. Board meeting.

2. CENTRALIZED FINANCING SYSTEM OF CENTER ORGANIZATIONS

Mr. Nagumo of Recreation Committee presented the letter from David Yamakawa, Assistant Supervisor of Community Activities, on the explanation of operation of Community Activities together with enclosures of its operational diagram and copies of agreements with the WRA. Secretary was asked to send this letter to Topaz Community Council in reply to recent inquiry.

3. REST HOME

Mr. Matsushige of Social Welfare Committee announced that Rest Home is now under the supervision of the Hospital. It is the request from those who are living there that one set each of "goh" and "shogi" and any other recreational instruments and reading matter be given to them. Also, he stated as a suggestion from Miss Payne, Counselor, that one volunteer janitor as a social worker either from Christian or Buddhist group to work one day a week to relieve the janitor who works there.

4. STOPPERS FOR WASH BASINS

Mr. George Nakaki reported that since there were only 500 stoppers obtained, two dozens will be distributed to each block.

5. LEGAL

Supplemental provision to the regulation concerning Animals and Fowls was explained by Mr. Tokimasa of the Legal Committee. It was approved as follows:

Section 13 Keeping of Pets

No pet shall be permitted to ~~be~~ ^{Keep} kept if it becomes a public nuisance or against the sanitary rule which will be determined by the discretion of the Sanitary Department of this Center.

Section 14 Definition of Fowls

Fowls are chickens, rails, qualls, woodcocks, pheasants, mallards, pigeons, and magpies.

6. CASH FOR COMPENSATORY TIME

Mr. George Nakaki called the attention of the Council to the article written in June 10 issue of Topaz Time on cash to be paid to the resident workers for compensatory time in excess of 44 hours a week subsequent to January, 1944, and recommended negotiations with the Administration on this matter.

7. COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES

Mr. Sashihara attended the Council meeting at 10:30 a.m. and explained in detail the operation of optical division of the Community Enterprises and the negotiations he had with the doctor. In the last ten months, they have had \$8,200 of business transacted through that division. Ever since

two other opticians were terminated, they have received from the residents many complaints as to inadequate service rendered. It is the opinion of those opticians that one optician is inadequate to serve community. WRA equipment is used for testing the clients for ordering glasses while the privately-owned equipment is used for adjusting and testing the glasses after arrival. To the question asked by Mr. Hayashida concerning the usage of fund secured from the 10% charged on the transaction for glasses which was intended for use in acquiring needed optical equipments, Mr. Sashihara reported that although Community Enterprises has applied for priority to secure one instrument costing about \$250, it was rejected by the WPB. However, much of the minor equipment and postage fees are paid from this fund as maintenance.

In regard to the domestic problem which arose since the inception of the Community Enterprises providing maids for the Caucasian living quarters, he informed the Council that letters of inquiry have been sent to other centers. To date the information concerning the four centers are as follows: At Amache Center, since June 15, the employers are paying to Enterprises \$40 a month for full time worker, \$20 for half a month, \$10 for a week, \$5 for half day a week, 30¢ an hour and \$6 to \$8 a week for unexperienced worker and paying WRA wage to the workers. At Minidoka Center, there exists unsatisfactory feeling, however, they are studying the best procedure. At Manzanar, they are also considering best procedure for handling domestic labor, and at present, they are charging \$35 to \$38 a month to the employer and paying WRA wage to the workers. An inquiry has been received from Tule Lake on this subject and they have advised that they are charging \$25 to the employers and paying workers WRA wage; they are still negotiating with the Administration for a \$40 a month wage. He informed the Council that the prevailing wage in Cody and Powell is \$35 to \$40 a month and Mr. Robertson will probably recommend about \$35 a month. He concluded his report by requesting advice from the Council.

8. SPECIAL MEETING

Since it was necessary to hear the report on the findings of the poultry farm dispute hearing and a report concerning the announcement made by the majority of the delegates of the Study and Negotiation Committee, the Chairman called a special meeting for tomorrow, Saturday, June 24, at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.