

Salt Lake Buddhist Temple
Board Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2007

Attendees:

Maya Chow	Lynne Doi	Bruce Fong
Brent Koga	Ernie Kyed	Stan Endo
Reverend Hirano	Brenda Koga	Mark Minaga
Paul Terashima	Kathy Terashima	Christy Fong
Yoshiko Uno	Dean Hirabayashi	Dot Richeda
Tomio Mitsunaga	Sherrie Hayashi	Ivan Van Laningham
Ichiro Doi	LaVerne Kyed	Frances Akimoto

Excused:

Opening Remarks

President Stan Endo called the meeting to order. Sensei led us in Gassho.

Minutes from the March 25th meeting was corrected and approved. A motion by Sherrie to accept the minutes as corrected was made and seconded by Lynne. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Dave Sekino & Maya Chow, Treasurers

File, subject to audit.

Reverend's Report - Reverend Jerry Hirano

See attached report.

Ernie has installed a doorbell for the front door.

Organizational Reports

Buddhist Women's Association (BWA) - Dot Richeda

We participated in a Food Sale on March 18th at Ohigan and make \$307.00 for the Temple Building Fund. Thank you to all the ladies for their help. Membership dues of \$10.00 are now due and payable to Connie Sakashita. Adult Study class is going well. We meet after service. We will bring omusubis for Hanamatsuri. Christy Fong will order the Chicken. May 19th will be Temple clean up and BWA will prepare lunch.

Dharma School Board Report- Laverne Kyed, Superintendent

The Dharma School teachers and students worked hard the past few months preparing and practicing for the Hanamatsuri program to be held April 22nd. Tracy Akimoto Roberson and Ed Roberson will chair the program. Brenda Koga is taking care of the performers' gifts. Michael Fong and Blake Akimoto will be master of ceremonies. We want to express our appreciation to the great Dharma school students who will be performing and to all the parents for their support. May 4th the Dharma School will sponsor the Nikkei Senior Center Luncheon. Summer camp has been canceled so we can attend Mt States in Denver.

YBA-Maya Chow-Advisor

A member of the YBA is attending the YBA Conference now. No meeting in May.

JR YBA- Fongs, Advisors

Jr. YBA held their first weekend retreat in Honeyville on April 14th and 15th. Odgen Jr/Sr YBA will also attend. Following the retreat we will attend the Ogden Hanamatsuri.

Committee Reports

Building & Repairs - Tomio Mitsunaga

Tomio called the Salt Lake City Corporation about the letter we received and was told they can't do anything until we do the repairs and see if they are any changes.

*We will need to make repairs to the main water line and at the same time do the lawn system repairs.

*Tomio would like to put the shut off value and the controller in the basement.

*Tomio has worked on the back door of the gym, the wall is sinking. Use only in emergencies.

*Paul and Tomio have work on the Women's restroom sink and are trying to find some parts for the old faucet.

* A/C and furnace in the Temple and West Wing had their semi annual inspection.

Equipment & Supplies - Paul will take care of the supplies. He will check into some thermometers for the refrigerators. He will get some containers and plastic bags with labels for better food storage.

Building Committee: Brenda Koga

Brenda reported that Tim Jessop is putting the floor plans on CAD and send copies to the committee members so they can develop a master plan. Paul is working with the Multicultural Ethic Center to replace the back fence and improvements to the parking lot. Ernie is heading up the Temple cleanup on May 19th. The Committee will meet on May 1st.

Dobo Gakko - Sherrie Hiyashi

No report.

Ministerial Affairs - No report.

Webmaster - Go to website and enter your own events. Instructions will be in the newsletter. Minutes will be posted on the Website.

Current Business

Nihon Matsuri: Sherrie Koga is in charge of the food booths. The Salt Lake Temple and the Ogden Temple will have one booth and will prepare bentos and spam musubis.

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` Obon Chairs: no report.

Bazaar Chairs: Needs one more co chair.

New Business

Meeting/Class rooms in the West Wing:

Ernie and Stan walked through the West Wing. We will rip out the partitions in the center of the room. Stan passed a diagram of how the room will look with the cubicles. We will have a standard cabinet with keys for the Dharma School and Dobo Gakko. Ernie will look into fixing the broken door in the West Wing.

The goal for the basement will be to build some shelves and cabinets to use as a storage area.

Clarify Toban:

Brenda and Paul will work on a master list for Toban.

Brenda made a motion to let the Mt Olympus JACL Chapter (Diane Akiyama) to use the kitchen one night, when it is available, for food preparation for Nihon Matsuri. Motion seconded by Lynne. Motion passed.

Brenda made a motion to appoint Ivan Van Laningham as a board member and Public Relation Chair. Christy seconded the motion. Motion passed. Ivan, Carmela Hirano and Cassandra Van Buren will be on the committee. The committee will greet new members and assemble packets of information about the temple and its sangha. A sign-up book will be made available to those who would like to be added to the mailing list.

Jodo Shinshu Booklet, a guide and smaller version, will be ordered to be included in the membership handbook packets.

Paul Terashima will be sending letters to the sangha to encourage them to donate to the 21st Century campaign.

Announcements

May 19th is Temple clean up.

Mt States retreat will be in Denver, Sept 1-3rd, over Labor Day Weekend. The Temple will get a bus. A schedule has not been received but the tentative plans are to leave late Friday night to arrive early Saturday morning and return Monday morning.

Paul Terashima is leaving for California and Jeff Watanabe will get the permits for Nihon Matsuri.

Next Board Meetings- May 13th, 11:30
June 17th, 12:30

Adjournment

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned. Stan adjourned the meeting and Sensei led us in Gassho.

Respectfully submitted:
Dot Richeda

