

MINUTES OF NCRR MEETING  
San Francisco  
August 9, 1980

Allen Nishio, from IA reviewed the minutes of the July 12th meeting, explaining the structure of the coalition. Introductions followed of everyone present at the meeting.

We then had further discussion on the five points of unity.

1. Monetary compensation to individuals incarcerated - later arrive at a concrete figure by conference time.
2. Restitution to the Japanese communities - question was raised as to including the wording in item 2 regarding the isseis be inserted with item 1.
3. Overturn the Supreme Court decisions - suggestions, such as, a class suit can be initiated. It is also important to investigate other legal avenues as well.
4. Study the struggles of other groups - the coalition will support the struggles and demands of other groups. It was suggested to contact other minority groups and learn their background and specific struggles.
5. Education of public at large - all were in agreement to change the text books regarding our (Japanese) history in the United States.

The Coalition will devise procedures regarding endorsements to other organizations or groups in the future.

Division of Labor:

Los Angeles - logistics, funding, press releases and incorporation.

Sacramento - fund raising letter and brochure.

San Francisco - develop slide show, logo, and poster.

San Jose - Newsletter for conference.

The Newsletter will be circulated just before the conference. The contents will cover an update on the coalition, information concerning the upcoming conference. The Brochure and Newsletter can then be used as outreach material in the community.

Coalition Survey - A. Nishio stated the survey will first appear in the L.A. Japanese and English paper. We can then copy and use the survey in all regions. L.A. will review the surveys and, if so, make changes and distribute to the areas for comments.

B. Nakano asked if anyone would check the legal aspects regarding supreme court decisions on reparations to other groups (requesting and getting compensation). The subcommittee would also investigate and define the 5

points completely. June agreed to work in the group to study the situation. Ed, Naomi, and Allen will work in the group and give us information at next meeting.

Scope of Conference - Date of Conference was first suggested for mid-October (10-18 & 19) on 2 days (weekend). The date of November 15th and 16th of November was finally agreed upon by everyone present.

First day: have opening statement; followed by speakers discussing various issues; different workshops; regional meeting to discuss proposal and, end with a cultural evening program.

Second day: Discuss the demands, fund raising status, voting, regional reports, finances, the Redress hearings and sum up the Conference.

William Hohri's Proposal: While the people felt the scope of it was rather ambitious, people liked the suggestions on including cultural events and participation of various church groups.

The suggestions for the conference are as follows:

1. Have three speakers make their presentations at different times during the day.
2. It was suggested to have each region meet prior to the conference and discuss the proposal and present their views on the second day.
3. It should also have portions of it bilingual, with a separate workshop for them.

Local Outreach:

Los Angeles - They will conduct an educational workshop at the Nissei Week event; have a photo exhibit for a cultural workshop; Edward Miyakawa Reception; and meet with various groups involved with R/R.

San Francisco - Prepare a 10 & 20 minute slide show too present to various groups exp. JACL, TLC. Have a program co-sponsored by East Bay Area.

San Jose - The representatives will meet with NOC to get their endorsement on R/R; the Sequoia Chapter of JACL; mass meeting on August 20th to discuss R/R.

Sacramento - Work with local JACL representative on redress; contact local organizations and churches for support; conduct several mass meetings with individuals and active members of several group.

Timeline of Activities:

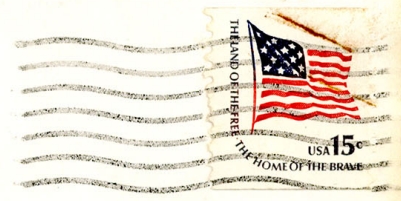
<u>Month</u>	<u>Jobs</u>
August	Pick site and date for conference
August	Fund raising letter and brochure
August	Produce a slide show and logo

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August	Proposal resolution
August	Steering Committee Meeting
August	Poster and draft Conference announcement
August	File incorporation papers
September	Final approval of program
September	Develop Poster for Conference
September	Develop Conference announcement
September	Proposal and Resolutions
October	Solicit proposal
October	Regional meetings
October	Newsletter
November	Conference

NCRR Participation at JACL Convention: While NCRR had some impact and presence, a resolution for JACL to support NCRR was not acted upon, due to time constraints. The JACL National Board will hear this resolution at their upcoming meeting.

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