

AACD Meeting Minutes

Date: 5/2/82

Present : Linda Araki, J. Mitchell, Eddie Lai, Karen Asakawa, Susan Lui, Marla Kamiya,
Becky Hom, Calvin Oba, Katu Iizima, Edwin Eng, Yuri Kochiyama, Yee Ling Poon,
David Chen.

Meeting called to order at 5:15pm

Agenda: 1. Brief introduction on the formation of AACD;

2. Reports/update on AACD's participation in the June 12 Campaign;

- 3. Discussion on the election of officers and official representatives to the Rally Committee and the Third World and Progressive Peoples' Coalition;
- 4. Selection of date for next meeting;
- 5. Other businesses/announcements.
- ---Yee Ling briefly reported on the formation of AACD, our working relations with the Third World Coalition, and the general development of AACD within the June 12 motion;
- ---Calvin reported on the meeting he attended on Wednesday, April 28, at the N.Y. Disarmament Campaign. There was a discussion on third world peoples' participation and Calvin introduced AACD and its concerns to the floor. Further disc. was tabled after some initial disc. and after a vote on whether the floor wanted to pursue on the subject.
- He reported that the meeting was one-third committee members and two-third observers, despite repeatedly told by the National Campaign staff person that it was a closed meeting and that it would be inappropriate and detrimental for any Asian representatives to attend. David circulated the cover letter, the petition to the Executive Committee and the endorsors list that he presented at the meeting. He reported that though AACD was accepted unamnimously after his presentation, he was not allowed to vote on behalf of the Caucus since he alledgely hasn't been officially elected by the AACD as permanant representative to the Rally or Exec. Committees. He suggested that an official representative from AACD be designated at this meeting so AACD can vote in the coming meeting on 5/4. AACD was already denied of concrete participation in the program planning process because of this parliamentary manipulation.
- ---Everyone present agreed that officers and official representatives should be elected as soon as possible. Edwin suggested that since many people who came to previous meetings are not present today, an official election should be held at a later date. Becky raised that since we want to be able to vote at the Tues. The meeting, we must come out with an interim representative to the Exec. committee at this meeting. Calvin suggested an acting chairperson to be elected today and more permanant officers on 5/8. Edwin suggested that minutes be kept of all meetings.
- ---Kasu nominated Calvin for the acting position. Rowever, Calvin declined the nomination citing Riking personal reasons and lack of familiarity with the movement from the beginning. He nominated David instead. Eddie raised that since David has been at the meetings so far, he should continue the role as official representive until the final election. Vote was taken and David was elected as the official acting Chairperson for AACD and is fully authorized to vote on behalf of the Caucus at the next meeting.
- ---Yee Ling raised the necessity of AACD to designate an official rep. to the TWPPC.

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She indicated that she is the representative of AAFE to the TWPPC so far, and she is also the only person from the AACD who has been consistently attending meetings. She nominated Calvin to be the official rep. Calvin declined, citing that he thinks Yee Ling has been the most effective person so far and should continue to play this role as the officially designated rep. Yuri seconded this suggestion. Yee Ling pointed out the difficulties involved with conflict of interest thing that some people would have hessitation with, with her so-called dual role/image. She further suggested that since TWPPC meetings are open meetings, all members should be encouraged to attend. Edwin suggested that since TWPPC meetings have minutes, they should be brought back to be reported at AACD meetings. Everybody agreed with this suggestion. It was resolved that Yee Ling should continue her role, with David and others encouraged to attend these meetings also.

- ---The next meeting date for the election and relevant discussion is set on 5/8 at 48 Henry Street at 3p.m.
- ---Kasu announced that Chol Soo Lee Committee is planning to buy a full page ad on the case at the S.F. Chronicle sometime in the near future and is soliciting individuals and groups to make pledges, price is \$10 per name. Forms are available at the local CSL committee.

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Meeting adjourned 6:40pm

Minutes submitted by David Chen