Chinese Professional Club 2014-2015

Minutes of the Seventh Officers' and Committee Chairs' Meeting

May 9, 2015

The first Officers' and Committee Chairs' meeting of the Chinese Professional Club was held on Saturday, May 9, 2015 at Café Express, at 210 Meyerland Plaza Mall, Houston, Texas 77096. In attendance were:

Lillian Chan, MD Terry Chen
Irene Joe Jack Joe
Katharine Lau Allan Tang
Elizabeth Tang James Tang MD

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 2:40 p.m. by Katharine Lau, President.
- 2. The Committee gave unanimous approval of the minutes of the March 22, 2015 meeting.
- 3. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Allan Tang reported that there was \$33,208 in the CPC account as of April 30, 2015. It was decided by unanimous vote to give \$23,000 to CPC Fund, Inc. and keep the balance in CPC's account to fund various activities. The minutes is amended as follows after review by the Treasurer, Allan Tang: "After further review, I did notice that the balance in the checking account reported at this last meeting did not include 2 outstanding checks which will bring the actual balance to \$30,985.54. We currently have 1 check to reimburse Jack Joe for \$2122.70 (erroneous square deposit intended for CACA) and another check to ACOH for \$100 which has not cleared the bank. With these outstanding checks in mind and the intention of leaving \$10,000 as a working funds balance for this next year's events, I believe that we should revise the transfer amount from \$23,000 to \$20,000 to the Scholarship Fund".
- 4. It was suggested that Anita Dawson might be willing to Chair the Scholarship Committee. CPC member Russell Wong has been recommended to participate as a Scholarship Committee member. Most likely all those Committee members from the prior year will be willing to serve another year.
- 5. A "lecture series" was recommended by the Committee members. Elizabeth Tang has a contemporary topic that she is willing to present. Marcus Yee, Dr. Peter Chang, Mark Lee, CPA, Yuen Yee Ma are also potential presenters. Topics that may be of interest include pension/social security issues especially for the people who are just starting out in their career, heart health, etc. It was recommended that CPC should target from three to four presentations this year and topics should be diverse so that it will attract both the younger set and seniors. Jackie Leong has been nominated to head up the "Lecture Series".
- 6. Katharine is holding a picnic at Hermann Park on Saturday May 23 followed by attendance to the "Magic Flute" at the Miller Outdoor Theatre. All CPC members are welcome. It will be a potluck and attendees are to bring food to grill- hot dogs, burgers, etc. The potluck will start at 5:30p.m. Katharine will look into reserving a pavilion close to the theatre and will let us know what part of Hermann Park the potluck will be held.
- 7. An activity that Jason Chan will look into is a "Shooting Game" for members and guests. He will provide CPC with more information.
- 8. It was also recommended that CPC sponsor two 'mixers' this year. Katharine will be soliciting members to assist in setting up these mixers.
- 9. The Miss Chinatown pageant will be held on Saturday, July 25th at the J.W. Marriott Hotel. Jack and Irene Joe are still soliciting participants for the event. To date, there are six committed participants.

- 10. The suggested date for the 62nd gala is Sunday, March 6, 2016 with March 16 as an alternate date. It was also suggested that we look into securing the smaller Plaza room at the Westin Hotel for the event. Jackie Leong should contact Faye Chin and get the ball rolling on this.
- 11. This year's Golf Scramble will be held on Saturday, October 3 at the same venue-Oakhurst Country Club. A new fund raiser this year will be a "Hole Sponsorship". Bill Wong will be soliciting major donors to sponsor various holes.
 - There will be raffle tickets and raffle prizes. Gary Hui will be responsible for the raffle. The cost will be \$400 per team of four. Trophies and prizes will continue to be given out.
- 12. Any updates to the CPC website should be sent to Howard Chan-our Webmaster.
- 13. Any news for the Quarterly Newsletter should be sent to Elizabeth Tang. Katharine will start it off with the traditional "President's Message".
- 14. Centerpoint Energy still has not completed the new CPC Directory. It is unusually late this year.
- 15. The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, July 19th at 2p.m. Place will be announced at a later date.
- 16. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50p.m.

Faithfully submitted, Terry Chen Secretary