

Chinese Professional Club
Officers and Members Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2009

A CPC Officers' and Members Meeting was called by President Garia Hui on Tuesday, 9/8/2009 at Dong Thanh restaurant.

- Among those present were: Garia Hui, James Tang, Cecil Fong, Jack Joe, Vicky Chin, Anita Dawson, Cooper Dawson, Elizabeth Tang, Philip Sun, Chen Sun, Eric Chai, Linky Leung, Steve Tsang, Peter Leung,
- Absent: Jarvis Cheung (among officers)

The meeting was called to order by Garia Hui at around 8:20 p.m.

1) Minutes for 8/11/2009 meeting

James Tang reviewed the minutes and they were approved.

2) New Members

Garia announced and welcomed two regular members: Michael and Wendy Chan who were not present. Of note that Garia received membership renewal fee \$10 from George Bo-Linn, who also was not present.

3) Treasurer's Report

In the absence of Jarvis Cheung, Garia provided the summary. As of 8/1/2009, there was a cash balance of \$3,026.02 in the bank. Additionally, there are \$2,435 added from entrance fees and donations for the golf tournament.

4) Membership

Irene and Jack Joe will send out reminders for annual membership renewal fees.

5) CPC Banner

The new banner designed by Philip Sun was displayed. The color of the logo on the banner will be changed to a brighter red. Total cost is \$90, including \$6 to change the color.

6) Taiwan 88 Relief Effort.

CPC members and friends donated \$2,200 as part of the ACOH fund raising program for this effort.

7) Recreation Events

17 participants spent a fun evening at the bowling event on 9/5/2009. Further event would include a participation in the NFL game (\$25 per person).

8) Social Events

Philip Sun provided a summary of forthcoming activities including the following:

- 9/19/2009 - culinary demonstration by Chris Leung and Doris Fung at Fung's Kitchen. The cost per person is \$25.
- 10/19/2009 - John Jung book talk for "Chopsticks in the Land of Cotton". This will portray Chinese life in Mississippi.
- 11/7/2009 - Wine Tasting at Dong Thanh restaurant.

Other possible events include Linky Leung providing a tea tasting demonstration, and a car maintenance seminar.

9) Golf Tournament

This is scheduled on 10/10/2009. 33 paid entries have been submitted thus far.

10) CPC Fund Inc. Liaison

Eric Chai, an officer of the Fund Inc., stated that the Scholarship Committee may recommend the dollar amount of scholarships. As larger amounts may attract more applicants, the committee may consider increasing the scholarship amounts. Eric stressed in the importance of establishing fair selection practices. Furthermore, all applications need to be destroyed from a privacy standpoint. Volunteers on the Committee need to be aware of any potential liabilities.

Directors and Officers' liability insurance policy is still under discussion. Potential lawsuits could also impact the money at Fund Inc.

11) Scholarship Updates

Peter Leung provided a summary. 11/1/09 is the deadline for applications. He has sent information to schools. The Scholarship Committee is comprised of 7 individuals and one additional person is being sought. A possible candidate mentioned is Emily Kuo, a young CPC member and past scholarship recipient.

12) Scholarship Ball

Jack Joe provided a summary and a tentative budget. The sponsorship levels will be downsized for 2010, given the economy situation, to \$3,500, \$2,500, and

\$1,500. Volunteers are needed and a committee needs to be established. It was suggested that 100 Mystery Boxes will be sold at \$75 each; OR total 50 boxes at \$100 each.

Garia contacted Chee Lee to perform Er Hu (Chinese Violin) at the Gala. Ms. Lee will get back to her.

As to the mechanics of the payments of the Gala, CPC first needs to approve the amount for the Fund Inc. to make payments. Donations and sponsorships need to be paid directly to Fund Inc.

13) Other Business

- Jack Joe mentioned that CPC should apply for the 2010 census program. This requires advertising the census and a grant of about \$3,000 will be given by the U.S. government. No money will be given directly to CPC. CPC can use the grant to possibly purchase things like polo shirts, T-shirts, coffee mugs, program book printing costs, etc. If CPC wants multiple items, only ONE vendor can be used. The grant money, up to \$2,999, will be sent directly to the vendor.

- Garia announced that CPC has been invited to the following activities:
 - 1) Wednesday 9/16/09 – Port of Houston Presentation – 1 PM to 3 PM;
 - 2) Saturday 10/3/09 – TECO Appreciation reception to thank participated organizations for the Taiwan Relief Efforts – 11 AM at Chinese Culture Center
(Interested parties please contact Garia for details.)

14) Next Meeting Date - Monday, 10/12/2009

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM.

Minutes submitted: Victoria Chin, 9/10/2009

(REVISED MINUTES by Garia Hui on 10/13/2009 per Jack Joe corrections made during officers' meeting on 10/12/2009)