

# Mayor's Asian American Advisory Board

# Behavioral and Human Services Division 1809 Art Museum Drive, Suite 100, Large Conference Room Monday, June 10, 2013 at 6:00 PM

#### **Minutes**

**Board Members Present:** Sophal Archard, George Banks, Ed Callao, Radwan Chowdhury, Jay Gogaliya, Bala Govi, Pastor Do In Kim, Johnnetta Moore, Lorelie Papel, Sunyoung Providakes, and Dr. Jasper Xu

**Board Members Excused:** Mai Dinh Keisling and Rajat Sharma

Board Members Unexcused: None

**Prospective Members/Guests/Volunteers Present:** Palash Chowdhury, Lydia Lee, Sang Phouansouvanh, Wen Raiti, Peter Son, Cherry Shaw, Deborah Thompson, and David Tran

Vice Chairman, Ed Callao called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

#### I. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>

#### II. Sunshine Law Training

Cherry Shaw presented the Sunshine Law training for Carla Miller, who was unable to attend due to illness. Please see attached for presentation. Jay Gogaliya inquired if sub-committee meetings needed to post minutes and Ms. Shaw replied yes they did. Minutes do not need to be word for word but a summary of what the meeting was about. Ed Callao asked about meetings at the Library and Ms. Shaw said that meetings at the library are allowed due to it being a public building.

#### III. TRIO Tinseltown Dissatisfaction Letter

Office of General Counsel proposed two letters in regards to TRIO Tinseltown. Please see attached letters. Board members stated their dissatisfaction of the events taken place at the May event at TRIO Tinseltown. Jay Gogaliya made a motion to accept the letter requesting full reimbursement from TRIO Tinseltown for use of the facility and food in the amount of \$8,543.00. Radwan Chowdhury seconded and the motion passed without further discussion. Ms. Moore will forward request to Office of General Council to forward the reimbursement letter to TRIO. Ed Callao asked the Board that since this a legal matter that the issue not discussed outside of the meeting.

#### IV. AAFF Summit/NE Participation

Jay Gogaliya passed around the flyer for the Asian American Federation of Florida event to be held on June 28 – June 29, 2013 in Fort Lauderdale. Mr. Gogaliya stated

that he needed two volunteers from the Board to attend and to contact him for further information.

## V. Fall Community Event

Item tabled until next meeting.

#### VI. Other News, Announcements, Comments

Jay Gogaliya is requesting the Chair to meet with Betzy Santiago and finish updating the webpage.

Ed Callao stated the elections will be held next meeting since the Chair is out of town. The nominating Committee will consist of Lorelie Papel as Chair, Bala Govi, and Do In Kim. Please contact the Committee if you are interested in the Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer positions. Memberships were discussed and Jay Gogaliya presented the policy and expectations for MAAAB.

Fall forum will be discussed at next meeting.

Deborah Thompson invited MAAAB to the World Refugee meeting to be held on Wednesday, June 19, 2013. Ms. Thompson will forward the flyer to Jay Gogaliya and he will forward to Board members. Deborah Thompson also stated that a grant has been received for Micro-Enterprising and that Board members are invited to attend leadership meetings at Lutheran Social Services. There are currently 966 Burmese working with Lutheran Social Services and Catholic Chairties.

### VII. <u>Meeting Adjourned</u>

Ed Callao stated the next meeting is July 8, 2013. George Banks motioned to adjourn Ed Callao seconded and motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.