AAPITA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

November 17, 2023
5:00 – 6:00 pm
Renaissance Esmeralda 1
Indian Wells, CA

- WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
  - Attendees self introduce themselves
- Business Meeting
  - Secretary Report – Trisha Murakami
    - Approval of the May 5, 2023 Minutes
      - Minutes will be approved at the next meeting.
  - Treasurer’s Report by Trisha Murakawa
    - Donation to Ken Brown Memorial Scholarship
      - $500 from AAPITA for the Ken Brown Memorial Scholarship was sent.
  - Membership Report by Hal Gin/Whitney Yamamura
    - Renewal
      - Send Master Caucus List to CEO
        - Members were grandfathered in to get us all onto an academic calendar for renewal. Whitney plans to contact all the CEO’s and invite them to join AAPITA for Institutional Membership. He wants CIO’s, CSSO’s, RP Group, etc to solicit members from those groups using their existing list serves. This is the first time we have growth in the API CEO’s group.
    - Recruitment
      - Direct potential new members to the CCLC AAPITA caucus website to join. [https://ccleague.org/ccc-caucuses/apita-membership-application](https://ccleague.org/ccc-caucuses/apita-membership-application)
  - Centralized Billing for all Caucuses Proposal
    - A proposal was made for CCLC to initiate a centralized bill that would be emailed out allowing an institution to join any/all the caucuses at one time, at the beginning of the year. This proposal has to be submitted to CCLC for approval and implementation.
  - Admin support for AAPITA has been provided by Julie Clevenger
    - Vice Chair – Whitney Yamamura
      - Website Update is being managed and maintained by Amy Lee.
      - Amy Lee from Coast CCD has redesigned the AAPITA website and she walked us through the new site. Articles, photos and a newsletter will be posted on the site and people can subscribe to the newsletter. The new
site is visually beautiful and easy to navigate. In addition, an AAPITA caucus email has been set up for our use.

- [https://www.aapitacaucus.com/](https://www.aapitacaucus.com/)
- [aapitacaucus@gmail.com](mailto:aapitacaucus@gmail.com) - email

- Admin support by Julie Clevenger

- Chair Report – Sue Chan
  - Legislative Advocacy
    - AAPITA SUPPORTED
      - AB 1096 – (Fong) Community Colleges: Native Language Instruction – this bill authorized colleges to offer courses in native languages without taking English. Courses can be credit or non-credit. These courses have generated a lot of FTE for colleges.
      - AB 1400 – (Bryan) - which would support California Community College transfer students attending Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) by awarding students with scholarships of up to $5,000.
    - AAPITA OPPOSED
      - AB 1699 – (McCarty) K–14 classified employees: part-time or full-time vacancies: public postings. No funding was provided for this.

- Update on Lunar New Year Resolution-AB 264 Trustee Alan Wong worked with Assemblymember Ching was signed by the Governor and in Jan 2024 colleges/districts may meet and confer with their unions to see if they wish to swap out one of the Presidents Days for celebration of Lunar New Year.

- Sue Chan attended a Welcome Reception for Chancellor Dr. Sonya Christian who is a fellow AAPI.
  - The initial summary of Vision 2030 excluded AANHPI so Rowena Tomaneng and Sue Chan sent an email to Dr. Christian about this exclusion and as a result Dr. Christian included AANHPI Students in the final document.

- Recap of ACCT Leadership Congress
  - Deborah J. Ikeda was elected to the ACCT Board for the Pacific Region at the Convention in October in Las Vegas.

- CCCT Updates/Announcements
  - Endorsement of CCCT Candidates Election Results
  - AAPI Representation
    - Student Trustee – Nicole Nguyen, Foothill DeAnza CCD
    - Trustee Deborah Ikeda – State Center CCD
    - Second Vice President Sue Chan – Ohlone CCD
  - CEOCCC Board – VP Rowena Tomaneng, San Jose City College

- New Business
  - MSC Gilbert Wong and Jeanne Kim to elect our new AAPITA Board Officer/Slate
Chair: Sue Chan, Trustee, Ohlone CCD
Vice Chair: Whitney Yamamura, Ed.D, Chancellor, Coast CCD
Treasurer: Harris Mojadedi, Trustee, Chabot-Las Positas CCD
Secretary: Alton Wang, Trustee, Pasadena City College
Membership: Hal Gin, Ed.D, Trustee, Chabot-Las Positas CCD
Trisha Murakawa, Trustee, El Camino CCD
Board Member: Rowena M. Tomaneng, Ed.D, President, San Jose City College
Immediate Past Chair: Deborah J. Ikeda

- DEIA Lawsuit – a number of lawsuits have been filed and are currently being acted upon in the Kern District and State Center CCD related to evaluation of faculty and their implementation of DEIA in their classes.

- Betty Ho, trustee from Ohlone, who attended Yale and Harvard initiated the conversation on the Scotus Decision by asking Trustee Chan if there was any resolution denouncing the Scotus Decision. Trustee Chan checked with CCLC and found nothing had been done. As a result, Sue Chan contacted Trustee Barbara Calhoun, Chair of the Joint Caucuses (CCLC Affinity Groups) and suggested something should be done. Trustee Calhoun worked with Thuy Nguyen-Pro Bono Attorney for the African American Caucus and drafted a resolution for the joint caucuses to consider. Each CCLC Caucus developed a whereas statement to add to the Joint Caucus Resolution and Trustee Chan presented the whereas statement for AAPITA. MSC by Hal Gin and Sue Chan to adopt the Joint Caucus Resolution on recent SCOTUS ruling on Affirmative Action for AAPITA
  - WHEREAS, the Asian American Pacific Islander Trustees & Administrators Caucus (AAPITA) believes policies that actively fight racism and correct the historic impacts of xenophobia and racism are necessary for a just and diverse society; particularly in college admissions where education is the greatest equalizer; AAPITA stands with the majority of the Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) community in supporting affirmative action and denouncing the SCOTUS decision, as AAPI students will not be used as a politically convenient wedge on issues of racial justice

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- Trustee Emeritus Proposal
  - MSC Hal Gin, Gilbert Wong to accept the new Trustee Emeritus Membership Category: Trustee Emeritus and Chancellor/College President Emeritus. Trustee Emeritus and Chancellor/College President Emeritus shall have the status of membership, renewable annually. They shall be nominated by the Executive Board for full membership in January, and their emeritus status shall be renewed every year. They do not have voting privileges. They shall serve as mentors for the membership and perform any other duties to support AAPITA as requested by the Executive Board.
  - The Importance of Disaggregated AANHPI Data
Sue Chan sent a copy of the article listed above. Sue will resend to everyone as many don’t have access to the San Jose Mercury. We are working closely with the Chancellor’s Office to disaggregate the data. We are continuing with this effort. One of the new CEO’s offered help with disaggregating the API data through her researcher.

- Mentorship for New Trustees – Invite new trustees to AAPITA Meetings and to join our organization. Hal Gin introduced his two student trustees Omar Au and Walda Chen, both AAPI students.
- Asian Heritage Month Celebration – Sue Chan will post Ohlone’s resolution celebrating Asian Heritage Month
  - Possible reception for new Chancellor Christian – we discussed hosting a reception for our new Chancellor.
  - Sharing ways your Districts celebrate, honor, and recognize
- Other Announcements
  - Judy Chen talked about a workshop she attended that uplifted Hispanic Students and thought it was something we could do for AAPI students through the presentation of a workshop.
  - April 3-5, 2024 APAHE Conference in Oakland

- Next Meeting – Effective Trusteeship Workshop/Annual Legislative Conference
  - January 26-28, 2024 – Sacramento Sheraton Grand

- Adjournment

Suggestion for next meeting:

1. Everyone in the audience who talks must come to the mic and introduce themselves and make their remarks.
2. Everyone making a motion must come to the mic, introduce themselves and then make their motion.
3. See if we can get a roving mic to use for the audience when speaking.

Unadopted