

HEART MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING  
CONFERENCE ROOM

August 1, 1944  
Tuesday  
9:00 a.m.--11:45 a.m.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nakashima.

ROLL CALL

Absentees: Mr. S. Saijo (17) and Block 24.

Minutes of July 28 was corrected as follows:

Under Committee Reports, to read "Memorial Services" instead of "Recreation Committee".

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Special Sentinel Edition

Mr. M. Hayashida reported that he and Mr. K. Tsunokai conferred with Mr. Maurice V. Mechau, Reports Officer, concerning the free distribution of the second anniversary edition of The Sentinel. The reserve fund being necessary for emergencies, it would not cover the cost of printing. However, the Committee suggested the publication of 3,200 copies of the residents' Year Book to be distributed free to each family, which was agreed to by Mr. Mechau.

2. Memorial Services

Mr. R. Katagi reported that the Military Police of the Heart Mountain Relocation Center will fire the military salute at the memorial services for men lost in action. Also, servicemen visiting the center at the time will participate, if possible.

The date of the community service for Lt. Kei Tanahashi and Corp. Yoshiharu Aoyama has been changed to August 10, at 7:30 p.m.

3. Education Committee

Mr. R. Katagi reported that Mr. Walter C. Schlosser, Adult Education Director, called a meeting of the Adult Education Committee concerning relocation of adults. Suggestions are desired by this Committee.

OLD BUSINESS

4. Doctors' Appreciation Fund

Mr. T. Takahashi reported that the contributions for the month of June totaled \$413.60. A motion was made by Mr. Takahashi, seconded by Mr. Kimoto, that the sum of \$80 be given to each of the five doctors now serving at the hospital. The motion was carried.

Mr. S. Miyazaki made a motion to elect one member from each block to form a Hospital Contribution Committee to handle the fund. The motion was seconded and passed.

5. Scholarship Fund

Mr. S. Nagano brought up the question whether it were possible to use the unclaimed Community Enterprises fund for the Scholarship Fund. In order to clarify the point, Mr. T. Sashihara, Chairman of the Community Enterprises Board of Trustees, was asked to be present.

Mr. Sashihara explained that it is his opinion that the law prohibits the use of the unclaimed fund until two years have elapsed; the unclaimed fund here is only one year old. He also stated that the project attorney has written to Washington for clarification on this point.

A motion was made by Mr. S. Miyazaki that the Scholarship Fund be asked as a donation from the Community Enterprises. That motion was seconded by Mr. Hatchimonji. After thorough discussion, the motion was carried.

Mr. S. Nagano made a motion to postpone the presentation of the referendum from August 7 until August 11 in order to explain fully to the residents of the change in wording from "unclaimed fund" to "general fund". The motion was seconded by Mr. Miyazaki and carried.

6. Blood Donation

Mr. M. D. Anderson recommended that the residents be blood typed in each block so that they may serve in emergencies. He cited a critical case which occurred in Billings on Monday. This particular patient needed a blood transfusion immediately and three donors were needed. Of the entire Center, only two of his blood type were available.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ko Yamano  
Acting Secretary



HEART MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING  
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August 4, 1944  
Friday  
9:00 a.m.--11:45 a.m.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nakashima.

ROLL CALL

Absentee: Block 24

Minutes of July 29 was corrected to read as follows: Under the Executive Committee Report, "The sub-foremen will be responsible for the workers. Matters of dispute will be taken up through", inserted between the first and second sentences. The words, "approximately \$.44" was changed to \$.45 under the Food Committee report.

The meeting was recessed in order to have a group photograph taken of the second Community Council.

Meeting was resumed.

COMMUNICATIONS REVIEWED:

- a. Letter from Mr. T. T. Sashihara, Chairman of the C.E. Board of Trustees, concerning the amendment committee on the Declaration of Trust of the Community Enterprises.
- b. Memorandum from Mr. Byron Ver Ploeg, Project Attorney, to Mr. H. Matsushige, Resolution Committee, on confirmation of dissolution of the C.E.S.N. Committee.

Captain Antonio Martin, Spanish Vice-Consul from San Francisco, made his appearance and it was decided that a special meeting of the Council be held with him 1:30 this afternoon.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Doctors Appreciation Fund

Mr. T. Takahashi reported that he and Mr. S. Miyazaki presented to the doctors the contributions received from the residents in appreciation for their services to the community. The doctors gratefully accepted and wished to thank the community for its consideration.

2. Memorial Service

Mr. R. Katagi reported that the Memorial Service for Lieutenant Kei Tanahashi and Corporal Yoshiharu N. Aoyama will be held on August 10, 7:30 p.m. in the east field of the Community Activities headquarters.

It was decided that Mr. G. Nakaki act as chairman of the program and Mr. S. Nakashima be the speaker representing the community.

The Gold Star flag will be furnished by the U.S.O., and the two community wreaths will be purchased through Mr. H. Otamura.

Mr. H. Tonooka expressed the appreciation of the residents of Block 2 to Mr. S. Nakashima for his condolences at the Block 2 service for Lieutenant Kei Tanahashi held last Saturday.

3. Executive Committee

The report from Mr. M. Hayashida stated that he and Mr. S. Nakashima conferred with Mr. M. O. Anderson, Assistant Project Director, concerning the Dental Clinic Staff's petition, and took the matter up together with Dr. C. E. Irwin, Chief Medical Officer. It was agreed to wait further investigation until Dr. K. Kawahara's return from Denver.

4. Scholarship Fund

As there may be some misunderstanding in the minds of the residents as to the source of the fund, the Council agreed to a publication in the Sentinel bulletin in order to clarify the situation. The matter was referred to the Education Committee.

Mr. G. Iwasaki made a motion that the Community Enterprises donate the \$2,400.00 for the Scholarship Fund. The motion was seconded by Mr. H. Matsushige and passed unanimously by the Council.



## OLD BUSINESS

5. Blood Donors

In regard to the critical shortage of blood donors in this center, Mr. S. Nagumo suggested that a center wide coordinating committee be set up to have on file the blood types of all donors in each block.

Previously, volunteers were unable to be taken care of at the hospital, therefore, Mr. G. Nakaki made a motion seconded by Mr. S. Miyazaki, that the Sanitation Committee investigate the facilities of the hospital laboratory as to whether it is adequately equipped to type the large number of blood donors. The motion was unanimously carried.

6. C.E.S.N. Committee

Mr. H. Matsushige was in receipt of a memorandum from Mr. B. Ver Ploeg, Project Attorney, concerning the legality of the present Community Enterprises Study and Negotiation Committee.

Discussion pro and con took place, and it was finally agreed according to previous decision.

## NEW BUSINESS

7. Sanitation and Health Committee

It has been brought to the attention of the Community Council that there is violation of the hospital visiting regulation, especially among the nisei. The violation creates quite a hardship on the hospital staff because more people visit than the capacity of the wards. If this practice should continue, the hospital feels the necessity of cancelling visiting hours entirely.

A motion was made by Mr. G. Nakaki, seconded by Mr. S. Miyazaki, that since the violators are mostly nisei, the matter be referred to the youth organizations. The motion was unanimously carried.

A memo will be sent to the Community Activities.

8. Welfare Committee

It was reported that the Welfare Section is securing welfare reports requested by the Dept. of Justice for the 63 men from Heart Mountain, now in custody for violating the Selective Service Act. These reports may later be used in connection with application for parole. The Council was requested to inform all the families concerned of the situation and asked their cooperation in the matter.

9. Election Committee

Mr. K. Hatchimonji brought up the question as to whether the Election Board will have excused absence during election. Mr. S. Nakashima will take the matter up with Mr. M. O. Anderson, Assistant Project Director.

10. Legal Committee

In answer to Mr. M. Tsunokai's question concerning the draft status of the men now convicted of violating the Selective Service Act, Mr. T. Tokimasa reported that after a person serves his sentence, he is subject to a second call. If such person refuses to take his pre-induction physical examination again, another violation of the Selective Service Act is constituted.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mikiko Yamano  
Acting Secretary



HEART MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING  
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SPECIAL MEETING

August 9, 1944  
Wednesday  
9:00 a.m.--11:45 a.m.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nakashima.

ROLL CALL      Absentees:    Blocks 14 and 24.

COMMUNICATIONS REVIEWED:

- a. Letter from Block Managers concerning representatives to the Memorial Service.

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1. HOSPITAL COMMITTEE

The Chairman made a request for the following blocks to submit the name of their representative to serve on the Hospital Committee as soon as possible: Blocks 14, 17, 22, and 24.

2. RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVES

The Chairman requested the following blocks to submit names of representatives to serve on the Red Cross: Blocks 6, 9, 17, and 22.

Request was made by Mr. Peter Osuga asking the Council to appoint a Chairman for the Red Cross group. It was unanimously agreed that Mr. Minokichi Tsunokai serve as Chairman. Memorandum will be sent to Mr. Osuga.

3. SPANISH VICE-CONSUL

The requests made by the Spanish Vice-Consul, Captain Martin, were taken up.

- a. Name, address, and sex of all Japanese Nationals.
- b. Name, address, and sex of applicants who have asked for repatriation and expatriation.

Mr. G. Nakaki made a motion that this matter be referred to the Council. Motion was unanimously passed.

The Chairman asked that the petitions presented to the Spanish Vice-Consul be clarified.

4. IN APPRECIATION

It was reported that Mr. Take Kawasaki, 22-15-C, contributed several hundreds of wooden spoons gratis which are used for serving rice to the mess halls. It was unanimously decided to write him a letter in appreciation in behalf of the community. Mr. Nagumo was appointed to draft the letter in Japanese.

5. Mr. Hayashida made a report on his interview with the Project Attorney, Byron Ver Ploeg, on the matter of the scholarship fund. The Council requested that Mr. Ver Ploeg be asked to come and clarify further on this subject, which he did.

Mr. K. Hatchimonji made a motion to have the election tomorrow re. the scholarship contribution, August 11, as scheduled provided that Mr. Ver Ploeg's advice is printed in the bulletin and delivered today. The motion was unanimously passed. Messrs. Hayashida and Hatchimonji were instructed by the chairman to draft the above mentioned report. Later, the report was read to the Council and approved as follows:

Scholarship Fund Vote Tomorrow

With residents to vote on the \$2400 scholarship fund ballot between 12 m.-7 p.m. tomorrow at booths to be established at each mess hall, the community council made the following announcement this morning concerning the measure:

"We at first decided to get the scholarship fund from the community enterprises unclaimed fund but later we learned that there was a doubt as to the legality of using the unclaimed fund for the purpose. Therefore, we have changed the wording on the ballot to read, 'Do you favor a donation by the trustees of Heart Mountain Community Enterprises to the Heart Mountain Scholarship Fund of \$2400,' not stating exactly from which fund the money was to be taken.

"This morning our project attorney, Byron Ver Ploeg, gave his opinion on this matter as follows: 'The ballot papers will be used to determine the sentiment of the people toward the scholarship fund. The final decision whether the fund is to be given rests with the trustees of the community enterprises. Although there is some doubt as to the legality of using the unclaimed fund for the purpose, there is practically no difficulty for diverting it for the purpose.'

"We ask the voters to consider all the circumstances and use their ballot in the wisest possible manner in this first referendum we are going to have since the granting of the city charter."