

HEART MOUNTAIN RELOCATION PROJECT
FOURTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
FIFTY-FIFTH SESSION

August 3, 1945
Friday

Conference Room
9:45 a.m. 10:15 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Hayashida, Chairman.

ROLL CALL:

A. Letter from All Center Conference Headquarter, Topaz, Utah regarding All Center Conference Meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Mr. Nakaki reported on the suggestion made by the Council regarding delivery of boxes before October 15. He stated that according to Mr. Burnett, Evacuee Property Officer, tentative plans for delivery of packing cases for relocation purposes is to begin October 1. After this date, if the head of the family will go to Mr. Burnett and sign for boxes, he will get them regardless of the date of departure.

The Food Committee was asked to investigate the present situation in the Mess Halls.

Discussion indicated that the Community Enterprise Canteens should continue its services until such time the WRA takes over. According to the present schedule the Enterprise Canteens will be closed on August 18 and will not open again until September 1. This will be inconvenient for Center residents, therefore, the Community Enterprise Block Representatives are being asked to do something about it.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Morisaki, Sec.

HEART MOUNTAIN RELOCATION PROJECT
FOURTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
FIFTY-SIXTH SESSION

Tuesday
August 7, 1945

Conference Room
9:25 a.m. 10:20 a. m.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Hayashida, Chairman.

ROLL CALL:

Absentees: Block 29 and Block 24.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Letter from Mr. Myer in answer to a letter from All Center Conference in regard to WRA's comments on the recommendation made by the All Center Conference on the resettlement program.

B. Copy of letter from Mr. Myer in answer to Gila River Community Council's sixteen suggestions made on June 28, 1945.

C. Copy of letter and form (Council Center Survey of school age children) from Topaz Community Council was received.

DISCUSSIONS:

Discussion indicated that the Administration should discuss any new procedures or policies with the Council first before printing it in the bulletin.

The Welfare Committee was requested by the Council to look into the matter of the grant for students who are back on vacation, but who did not receive their grant before they left the Center to enter school.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Morisaki, Sec.

HEART MOUNTAIN RELOCATION PROJECT
FOURTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
FIFTY-SEVENTH SESSION

August 10, 1945
Friday

Conference Room
9:30 a.m. 11:25 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Hayashida, Chairman.

ROLL CALL:

Absentees: Block 17 and 24.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Relocation statistics from Minidoka was received. The total number of population as of July 31, was 4,341.

B. Letter from All Center Conference stating that the letter of July 23rd was sent to Mr. Myer since the majority of approvals were received.

C. Copy of letter from Mr. Myer to All Center Conference regarding answer to letter sent by the Chairman of the All Center Conference.

REPORTS:

The problem of freight and baggage was presented by a Relocatee. It was pointed out that since evacuee freight is being consigned to some storage company on carload lots, each evacuee does not have a Bill of Lading on his particular property, therefore, when it reaches the destination he is in no position to claim his own goods. Need of a Bill of Lading is very important in case of loss of properties to evacuees.

Mr. Charles Wiseman, Project Steward; Mr. L. T. Main, Procurement Officer; and Mr. Iwasaki, Menu-maker were present at the meeting to discuss the food situation as it exists today in this Center. Mr. Main explained the purchasing and distribution problems of food, especially under wartime conditions. The closing of tofu manufacturing is to be done in about ten days. This instruction was definitely defined by Mr. Myer. Japanese food will be served as long as possible.

Mr. Takahashi presented the problem of continuing the Community Activities Section until the end as they are doing a great work in helping the youngsters in this Center. It was unanimously agreed that a letter of appeal be written to Mr. Guy Robertson regarding the above matter.

Mr. Endo gave a report on the Red Cross Meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS:

A group council picture was given to each member of the Fourth Community Council through the compliments of Mr. Ichiro Itani who is relocating soon.

Due to relocation Mr. Minejiro Hayashida tendered his resignation as Chairman of the Council and also as Councilman of Block 8. As a token of appreciation a gift was presented to Mr. Hayashida by the Council for his long and faithful service.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Morisaki, Sec.

HEAR. MOUNTAIN RELOCATION PROJECT
FIFTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
FIRST SESSION

August 14, 1945
Tuesday

Conference Room
9:25 a.m. 11:05 a.m.

The first meeting of the Fifth Community Council was called to order by Mr. George Nakaki, Acting Chairman.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Taisuke Takahashi was unanimously elected as Chairman.

Those nominated for Vice-chairman were: Mr. Zeichi Saito and Mr. Shigeichi Kawano. Mr. Shigeichi Kawano was elected.

Mr. George Nakaki was unanimously elected as Executive Secretary.

The following sub-committees were formed:

LABOR:

Shinichi Oshio
Saburo Sugita
Tasaburo Handa

LEGAL AND RESOLUTION:

Zoichi Saito
Goro Terui
Shigeichi Kawano

EDUCATION, RECREATION, AND C. A.
BOARD OF TRUST REPRESENTATIVE:

Goro Terui (C.A. Board of
Trustee Representative)
Gengo Endo
Kametarō Komae

HEALTH AND SANITATION:

Tetsuo Uyeda
Hikojiro Segawa
Toshiteru Doi

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND RESETTLEMENT:

Kiroku Bepp
George Nakaki

FOOD:

Shigekichi Isobe
Ayaaki Miyazaki
Mageshiro Mutaguchi

WELFARE:

Katsuzo C. Imatsu
Block 8 (Narita)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A report was given by Mr. Nakaki regarding freight to Los Angeles with excess charges from the consignee (storage company). This matter was discussed with Mr. Guy Robertson, Project Director and the final answer will be forthcoming from Washington, D. C. Mr. Minejiro Hayashida also sent a telegram to Mr. Dillon S. Myer, WRA Director regarding the above matter.

Mr. Goro Terui reported on the gradual curtailment of the C.A. organization.

Mr. Takahashi reported on the cemetery removal at the closing date. This matter was referred to the Welfare Committee for further study.

Mr. Tomihei Shoguchi tendered his resignation in favor of relocation and introduced Mr. Hikojiro Segawa, his successor.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
S. Morisaki, Sec.

HEALEY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION PROJECT
FIFTH COLLEGE ST. COUNCIL
SECOND SESSION

August 17, 1945
Friday

Conference Room
9:20 a.m. 10:40 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Takahashi, Chairman.

ROLL CALL:

Absentees: Block 8, 24, and 29.

DISCUSSIONS:

It was unanimously approved that hereafter the Council meeting will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m.

The closing of the Community Enterprise and transferring operations to other management was discussed. Mr. Iwasaki of the Community Enterprise was present to explain the plans the Community Enterprise has made. He stated that a firm from Powell or Cody will probably be granted a concession for a minimum canteen service before the beginning of the new month.

Mr. Takahashi was requested to see Mr. Burnett concerning the Bill of Lading on evacuee freight which is sent to a storage company.

Mr. Uyeda introduced Mr. Tsunejiro Udo who will take his place while he is out on short-term leave.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Morisaki, Sec.

HEART MOUNTAIN RELOCATION PROJECT
FIFTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
THIRD SESSION

August 21, 1945
Tuesday

Conference Room
9:13 a.m. 11:10 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Takahashi, Chairman.

ROLL CALL:

Absentee: Block 24

Correction to August 14, 1945 minutes: Under sub-committees headed "Legal and Resolution", Joe Naoshi Honda should be listed instead of Core Terui.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Letter from JACL requesting approval on resolution made by the JACL regarding the resettlement of Americans of Japanese descent.

B. Letter from All Center Conference Headquarter regarding a second All Center Conference meeting.

C. A copy of letter and enclosure received from National Headquarter of ACLU and also letter of appreciation to them was received from Topaz All Center Conference Headquarter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Imatsu reported on the secretary removal. He stated that Mr. Embree has written another letter since no answer has been received from the previous one regarding the above matter.

The sanitation committee was requested to look into the matter of cooks for the hospital.

The Resolution on the Resettlement of Americans of Japanese Descent made by the JACL was unanimously approved by the Council.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Morisaki, Secretary

HEART MOUNTAIN RELOCATION PROJECT
FIFTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
FOURTH SESSION

August 24, 1945
Friday

Conference Room
9:15 a.m. 10:40 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Takahashi, Chairman.

ROLL CALL:

Absentees: Block 12 and 24.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Letter from Topaz Community Council regarding change of cabinet officers.
- B. Copy of Mr. Myer's reply to letter of July 23, 1945 sent by All Center Headquarter.
- C. Memorandum from Mr. William Teramoto, Head of Group Activities, regarding curtailment of Block Recreation Supervisors.
- D. Letter was received from resident requesting cooperation in selecting outstanding community leaders in Heart Mountain during the last three years for purposes of remembrance. And also leaders who will probably still be here toward the closing date of the center.
- E. Copy of Administrative Notice 289 was received from Gila River Community Council regarding Scheduling Terminal Departures During Last Six Weeks Prior to Center Closing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Udo reported on the problem of securing cooks for the hospital mess. It was reported that there is urgent need of one more cook.

Mr. Nakaki reported on the problem of freight. He stated that the WRA is willing to pay for door to door service on freight to those relocating to the East but they must make a carload of freight before they can do this. It was stated that door to door service on freight includes both the city limits and the rural area.

The matter of shoe repair for Center residents was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Morisaki, Secretary

HEART MOUNTAIN RELOCATION PROJECT
FIFTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
FIFTH SESSION

August 28, 1945
Tuesday

Conference Room
9:15-10:40 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Takahashi, Chairman.

ROLL CALL:

Absentee: Block 25

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Letter from the All Center Headquarter stating which Centers approved and which disapproved of having a second all-center-conference.

B. Letter from the Philadelphia Nisei Council stating that they are sending forty copies of "Philadelphia 1945" to help Evacuees who relocate in the Philadelphia area.

C. Copy of a letter from Rohwer Community Council in regards to a protest against the decision of Stockton Superior Court.

D. Copy of a letter from Reverend Hugh Lavery of Maryknoll to the Topaz Community Council was received.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Guy Robertson and Mr. M. O. Anderson attended the meeting to clarify the problem of freight delivery. It was stated that relocating Evacuees who live within the city limit will get their freights delivered free of charge from the depot. It was also stated that if residents contact the Evacuee Property Officer for a copy of the Bill of Lading, it will be given to them.

Mr. Robertson also stated that after Saturday, September 1st, the Army will not be stationed at Heart Mountain, but the Internal Security will take over their functions. It was also stated that an outside firm will come in to continue a canteen service, dry cleaning service, Western Union service, and checking cash service. An outside firm will come only once a week to cash checks, probably every Thursday.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Tamari, Sec.

HEART MOUNTAIN RELOCATION PROJECT
FIFTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
SIXTH SESSION

August 31, 1945
Friday

Conference Room
9:05 a.m. 11:05 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Takahashi, Chairman.

ROLL CALL:

Absentees: Blocks 8 and 24.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Terui reported on the Community Activities Board of Trustee meeting. He stated that \$4,000 from the Community Activities Section was turned over to the Community Enterprise. He stated that the Pagoda theater in Block 29 will remain open, but the Dawn theater in Block 9 will be closed.

The problem of closing the laundry and shower facilities on the side the mess halls are closed was discussed. Mr. Takahashi was appointed to look into the above matter.

Mr. Saito received a letter from Mr. Minejiro Hayashida which was read to the Council regarding Mr. Hayashida's experiences on the special train to Los Angeles. The problems and difficulties he had on the train will be discussed with Mr. Carroll.

Mr. M. O. Anderson, Assistant Project Director, and Mr. H. Embree, Housing Head, were present to discuss the disposition of the Project cemetery. Mr. Embree stated that there are three cases with no known relative. It was suggested that they be transferred to the Powell cemetery where their graves will be taken care of by the city and also by some of the willing Japanese people who live in this vicinity. In this way a record will be kept. This suggestion was unanimously approved by the Council and Mr. Embree will take further action regarding the above matter.

It was unanimously approved that Mr. Wiseman and Mr. Baimonte of the Commissary be invited to the next meeting to discuss the food situation in the mess halls.

Mr. Kiroku Bepp and Mr. Toshiteru Doi tendered their resignation in favor of relocation.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Morisaki, Secretary