

MASSACHUSETTS ASIAN AMERICAN COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes: April 8, 2008 – State House – Room 222.

Present: Ramesh Advani, Tackey Chan (Acting Chair), Hung Goon, Debbie Ho, Kai Lau, Paul Lee, Kao Li, Tina Matsuoka, Howard Wayne, Geoffrey Why, Paul Shaw (Secretary).

Tackey Chan opened the meeting at 12:15PM.

Review of Minutes

March 11, 2008 AAC minutes were reviewed and approved. Motion to accept the meeting minutes by Kai Lau, Seconded by Ramesh Advani. The monthly meeting time will remain at 12-1PM.

Announcement-

AAC and ACDC are co-sponsoring State House Event in celebration of Asian Pacific Islander month. The event will take place in the State House May 2, 10AM-2PM.

Outreach Committee Report

Burlington Town Meeting has been postponed until after the Unity Dinner on May 8.

Economic Development Committee

Ramesh Advani has reached out to community volunteers and has formed a planning group of business people. The committee objective is to gather information regarding the needs of Asian American Business Community, through focus groups and surveys. The first planning meeting is scheduled for May 10.

Administrative Office Functions

In the absence of an ED, Neelam Wali and Tackey Chan are reviewing emails, voicemails, correspondence, and financials. An intern through ACDC is assisting with administrative tasks.

Fundraising Committee

Tackey provided an update of the planning for Unity Dinner fundraiser. Tackey is reviewing the financial accounting and will report on YTD financial status. A vote was taken to authorize Tackey Chan and Tina Matsuoka to sign checks, Motion made by Kao Li and seconded by Geoffrey Why. All in Favor.

Old Business

Geoffrey Why has sent a letter in support of non-profit survey. Geoffrey Why has will send a letter to the Governor's Judicial Council regarding Judicial Nominees.

Motion to adjourn made by Paul Lee and Seconded by Paul Shaw

Meeting closed at 12:59PM. Minutes recorded by Paul Shaw, AAC Secretary.