



**National Association of Japanese Canadians
National Executive Board
August 28, 2018
Zoom Meeting
MINUTES**

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Administration:

Dave

Roll Call:

- Present: David Mitsui, Noreen Kuroyama, Eiko Eby, Susanne Tabata, Kevin Okabe, Lorene Oikawa, Lisa Uyeda, Bryan Tomlinson
- Regrets: Michiko Shuttleworth

Minutes Recorder: Karina Uehara

1. Approval of past NEB meeting minutes

It will be withheld until the status of Michiko's position on the board is determined. The bylaws states that members of the NEB must attend and if they provide no notification of absence, they can be removed from the board.

2. NAJC Position on Nanjing – next steps following outcomes of past meeting

During the meeting with National Council, the statement was shared. There was a divided discussion with opposing views.

Maryka sent a note about Nanjing that was shared with the NEB. Maryka wanted to make sure that there was no denying of the massacre. That was a fundamental point that should be clear upfront as we condemned the massacre as well.

ACTION: Kevin Okabe will setup a meeting with Bryan Tomlinson, Lorene Oikawa, Susanne Tabata, Art Miki and Judy Hanazawa to continue discussing about this issue.

Coalition chaired by Kadota: Lorene will be the representative and continue participating in their meetings so NAJC can hear the voices.

3. Motion 10 – notification to membership of revised motion list

At the moment, the motion 10 is dropped

ACTION: Kevin Okabe will send a notification to the members about this motion 10.

4. Confidentiality Breach amongst NEB – findings and next steps, potential sanctions

MOTION: to remove Michiko from NEB according to the bylaws (13.3.d). Moved by Lisa seconded by Bryan. Carried.

(Bylaws 13.3. The office of the National Executive Board and/or officer shall be automatically

vacated if:

- (a) if a person resigns his or her office by delivering written resignation to the Secretary;*
- (b) if he or she becomes of unsound mind;*
- (c) if he or she becomes bankrupt;*
- (d) if the Membership passes a resolution by two-thirds majority vote that he/she be removed from office;*
- (e) of the Membership that he or she be removed from office; or*
- (f) if he/she dies.)*

5. Nominations Committee Update and Status of Returning Officer

ACTION: there will be a Nomination committee meeting next week where they will discuss Roger Teshima's situation as a Returning Officer.

6. CRRF Awards of Excellence Dinner (Winnipeg – Thursday after the AGM) – Recommended that the NAJC be represented with the purchase of a table.

NAJC was requested to buy a table of 10 for the Dinner on September 27 in Winnipeg and have representation. There are NEB members of the incoming board from Winnipeg that can attend: Les Kojima and Keiko Miki. The cost of the table is \$1,000. Alex Miki (the next YL Director) and Karina Uehara can attend too as they are both living in Winnipeg.

MOTION: approve the NEB expenditure to purchase a table of \$1,000 at the CRRF dinner. Moved by Susanne and Eiko. Carried.

Suggestion: for future zoom meetings, there should be an official designated speaker list representing the organizations received in advance. The "raise hand" or "mute" functions are available in Zoom. The participants who are logged in by phone call do not have these functions and the facilitator cannot see any signal.

7. AGM booklet deadline

The submission of the reports should be sent to National office before August 31.

The reports will be saved and available for the NAJC members before the AGM. There will be no hard copies this year but files in a PDF format in the website. USB flash drives could be provided at the AGM with the reports. The membership should be advised about not providing hard copies of the booklet.

8. Brefni Shuttleworth's membership

RECOMMENDATION: the NEB recommends the National Council revoking Brefni Shuttleworth's membership from NAJC.

(7.3. Removal of Membership

7.3.1. Removal of membership will occur only when:

- (a) an Individual Member dies or delivers a written resignation to the Secretary in which case such resignation shall be effective on the date specified in the resignation or the*

date of delivery, whichever is later;

(b) it is established that a member violated their membership requirements as set forth in the by-laws; or,

(c) the member fails to pay his/her/its membership fees pursuant to section 7.5 of the by-laws;

(d) the Member Organization or Supporting Organization is dissolved or otherwise ceases to exist;

(e) the NAJC is liquidated and dissolved under the Act.

7.3.2 When it is established that a member violates their membership requirements, the Executive Board will present the violations to the Membership at a General Membership Meeting.

7.3.3 The offending member will be provided an opportunity to refute the claims against them at the General Membership Meeting.

7.3.4 Revoking a member requires a two-third majority vote of the Membership.

7.3.5 Reinstatement will occur only at a General Membership meeting after the removed member proves that all the violations have been corrected and there is a two-third majority vote of the Membership in favour of reinstatement.

7.3.6 Subject to the Articles, upon any termination of membership, the rights of the member, including any rights in the property of the NAJC, automatically cease to exist.)

The lawyers will be consulted about this recommendation.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- NEB Meetings
- i. ZOOM Video Conference
September 11, 2018 at 7:30 pm
 - ii. FACE TO FACE MEETINGS
-Winnipeg -September 21-23, 2018 (AGM and Conference)

NC Meetings: Zoom video conference.

2. Adjournment at 9:29 pm
Moved by Eiko.