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BLOCK MANAGERS MEETING:

DATE: February 14, 1944
TIME: 2:00 P.M., P.O.H. #28
CHAIRMAN: Shintaro Ito

Meeting was called to order by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Ito.

I. The following were discussed:

A. Brooms, Buckets, Etc.

Managers appointed Vice Chairman to see Mr. Johnston about getting brooms, buckets, mops, and clothes pins for every unit.

B. Cashing of pay and Clothing Checks

The committee appointed to investigate on this matter reported following after meeting with Mr. Johnston:

May mean 3 to 4 months delay if paid by cash. Securing person from the McGehee post office to handle cashing suggested but this will not help speed up cashing. Suggestion also made to secure representative from the McGehee bank but charge may be raised to 10¢ instead of the present 5¢. Johnston to see what system will prove most successful.

C. Housing

Rumors that people will come into this center. Johnston, However, has no definite notice yet. Housing Council suggests moves be made in the near future to safeguard having to move out of block if no standard room left for that number of people. Request made by managers to have Housing distribute notice to the managers to that effect.

Mr. Yoshii now on the Housing Committee reported Housing Council would like two more additional managers on that committee. Mr. Oshita and Mr. Akimoto appointed to assist Yoshii, Honda, and Adachi. Meeting held every other Friday, 2 P.M., at Block #2.

D. Council

Council Chairman requested managers to turn in their block Representative to the Farm Committee.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

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Respectfully submitted,

BLOCK MANAGERS MEETING

DATE: February 21, 1944
TIME: 2:00 P.M.

PLACE: P.S.H. #28
CHAIRMAN: Frank Date

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Date

OLD BUSINESS

A. Memorandum from Johnston

Chairman read letter from Johnston in regard to the selection of Block 39 to house the aged people within this center. Selection was made sometime ago but nothing was definitely set as residents presented their views against selection. Johnston requested managers to extend invitation and welcome the residents to their blocks. Invitation will be sent through managers' body.

B. Requisition for Brooms, Buckets, Etc.

Mr. Ito, Vice Chairman, who was appointed at last week's meeting to see Johnston about securing brooms, buckets, and mops for each unit reported that at the present time unable to secure additional supply due to budget. Stated if not enough with the supply now on hand, will see what he can do to obtain adequate supply.

C. NEW BUSINESS

A. Department of Interior

Received teletype from Mr. Ickes of the Department of Interior stating center to be under the Department of Interior.

B. Letter from Outpost

Received letter from the Outpost staff expressing their appreciation for the donation received from managers.

C. Co-op

Sample of method of placing receipts was distributed to managers to be taken to blocks as sample.

D. Lumberjack Tools

Request that all borrowed lumberjack tools be assembled at block offices to be picked up at a later date.

E. Misc

Misc arrived in center. Requested to turn in to Warehouse #11, by Wednesday shoyu barrel with block number designated. Will be delivered to each block.

F. Health Measure

Council to put out notice to the effect that residents abolish keeping of chickens, pigs, cats, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

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Respectfully submitted,

BLOCK MANAGERS' MEETING

Date: February 28, 1944
Time: 2:00 P.M.

Place: P.S.H. #28
Chairman: Frank Date

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Date.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Housing

Jerome to be closed. Around May or April portion of residents from Jerome will be coming in to Rohwer. Blocks will be asked to accommodate a certain number of people expected here. Housing requests cooperation of all managers.

B. speakers

Dr. Hunter introduced two speakers, Mr. Ralph E. Smeltzer, Chicago Counselor for Resettlement through Hostels who spoke on hostels in Chicago, farm relocation and general news about Chicago, and Dr. Clarence S. Gillett, executive secretary of the Citizens' Committee on Resettlement of St. Louis, Missouri who spoke in Japanese about the value of relocation.

C. Agricultural Lectures

Mr. Shingu requested managers to notify residents of reception party to be held in honor of Mr. Murai. Those who wish to attend were asked to leave their names and addresses and 50¢ to either the block managers or councilmen by March 1. The party will be held Saturday night March 4 from 7 p.m. at Mess Hall #19. Class will start Monday from 7 p.m. at 31-7-DE.

D. Shortage of Rice

Rice shortage hits center. Mr. Ito assured managers everything being done to secure ample supply of rice.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,