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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at 4:00pm to 5:00pm

McCormack Building, One Ashburton Place, 12th floor, Boston MA, 02108

Absent Commissioners are highlighted and remote participants are indicated by an asterisk*. Quorum was reached by attendance.

Item #1: Accepted December minutes

Item #2: Executive Director Monthly Report

- Focused on finalizing new Commissioner appointments
- Finalized Lunar New Year celebration date

Item #3: Introduction of newly appointed Commissioners

Item #4: Executive Committee Report

- Chairperson Elisa Choi gave a recap of her written report

Item #5: Executive Officer Election

- The Commission followed proper procedures for nomination and voting
- The following are new Executive Officers for 2018,
Chair – Wingkay Leung
Vice Chair – Vira Douangmany Cage
Treasurer – Mabel Lam
Secretary – Dimple Rana

Item #6: Unity Dinner Updates (Chung & Pralhad, Co-Chairs)

- Awaiting response from emcee availability
- Discussion on keynote suggestions
- Commissioners to recirculate nomination forms
- Discussion on gifts for awardees and VIPs
- Discussion on sponsorship opportunities

Item #7: Code of Conduct, Conflict of Interest, & OCPF annual review

- All Commissioners to sign Code of Conduct and review summary of Conflict of Interest Laws for the new year

Item #8: Subcommittee Updates:

- PR/Legislation (Loan, Chair) – No updates
- Finance/Admin (Wingkay, Chair)
 - Bob Baker working on tax returns – update in the next 2 weeks
- Health and Human Services (Elisa, Chair)



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- Elisa individually involved with 2018 Asian American Mental Health Forum
- Elisa will recuse herself from sponsorship discussion regarding Mental Health Forum

- Young Leaders Symposium (Uyen-Sa & Nina, Co-chairs) – no updates
- Economic Development (Gilbert, Chair)

- Looking for financial institution to educate Asian Americans on new tax laws

Item #9

- Updates on AACA/AAC Lunar New Year event – Deferred for subsequent discussion
- Debrief of AAPI Civil Rights Forum - Deferred for subsequent discussion
- Debrief of Advocacy Day - Deferred for subsequent discussion
- Update on Problem Gambling Initiatives - Deferred for subsequent discussion

Item #10: Next Commission Meeting, Every second Wednesday, February 14

Item #11: Community Updates & Meeting adjourned