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Illinois State University

AsiaConnect Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, Oct 10, 2022

Members Present:

- Miranda Lin Eva Harrison Lawrence Lair Chang Su-Russell
 Cyndy Ruszkowski Laura Finan Dongmei Li LinLin Suejung Han
 Shengtian Wu Chang Su Russel Jeongae Kang Judi Khalilallah

Agenda Items

- Minutes September. Already approved
- Monthly member spotlight vs cultural presentation
- Food Drive
- General Flyer
- Website
- Cultural shows continue in Normal Public Library?
- Viewing movies in Normal Theatre
- Heritage Week
- Next meeting

Monthly Member Spotlight vs Cultural presentations

- Eva prefers cultural presentation and if no available, do spotlight
 - Laura seconds

Food drive

- We are to provide our own boxes
- Labels and flyers have been mailed out, some have received some have yet.
- Nov 11th collect all food from the drive and we will go to food pantry to drop off and volunteer
- Everyone has been instructed to email their box locations to Lawrence

General Flyer

- Lawrence will print 20 copies
- Send to Shan Xie and Laura Finan for them to distribute

Website

- Lawrence, from now on to put event announcements on website when posting to social media about events

Continue to have cultural shows in Normal Library?

- Eva in agreement
- Bloomington library raised. Too awkward location. If they reach out, we will take them up.
- Dongmei Li suggests Milner Library, Miranda prefers something that is open more to the community.
- LinLin suggests asking Milner to gather a collection of Asian literature. Miranda seconds.
- Shan proposes Illinois Art Station to display Asian art. Miranda says they already agree. She spoke to them a few months ago.

Dongmei question raised: Why has there only been one Asian cultural Dinner

- Housing has decided not to make it an annual event unlike Latinx and Black heritage dinner etc.
- There is a grant to apply for, but it is too late this year

Suggest titles for movies to be viewed at Normal Theatre

- Email suggestions for a possible titles
- Copyright is ~\$500 to view for free
 - Or need to charge for tickets
 - Eva suggests paying half and charging half?

One week in April, make as many members available for Heritage Week

- Weekends have family attendance
- Weekdays have more ISU attendance
- Avoid 9th, 13th, and 14th
- Propose 3rd week of April (17–22nd)
 - Saturday: Library will have multiple stations for cultural events
 - Asian games. Asking for volunteers. Let Julie in programming committee know.
 - Cooking event on weekday
 - Lawrence volunteered to teach folding wontons in Turner Hall
 - Any day is okay
 - Grad student is volunteering to teach Thai dancing on weekday
 - Likely Friday movie day
 - Please think about how many days long and what talents you can bring.

Next meeting November? Or January. Await invite.

- In the meantime:
 - Poetry reading Nov 4th
 - Food Bank Nov 11th