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Illinois State University

AsiaConnect Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

Members Present:

Miranda Lin Lawrence Lair Suejung Han Julie Mana-ay Perez
 Shengtian Wu LinLin Shan Xie Cyndy Ruszkowski

Agenda Items

- Approval of 8/2 minutes
 - Lawrence moves to approve. Suejung seconds. Voting approved.

January program Friday 1/26

- Student scholarship award winner will give a presentation
 - Miranda has drafted student presentation and will share to her students
- Miranda will send copy event details to Lawrence to post on ILSTU news and events

February Program (Lunar New Year)

- Friday, February 9
 - Arrive 11:30. Clean and leave by 1:30PM
 - DIAC waved the fee for multipurpose room of Multicultural Center
 - Main dish must be ordered from a vendor, but snacks and small sides can be brought
 - Miranda will bring rice cake
 - Dongmae will be asked to bring candy
 - Cyndy will bring clementines
 - Suejung can bring mini meat pancakes
 - Julie can make Filipino spring rolls
 - Great Wall can supply 2 trays: 1 noodle
 - Shengtian Wu can bring tang yuan
 - LinLin can bring noodles
 - Lawrence will bring Steam Up boardgame
 - LinLin can make a red envelope game with chopsticks
 - Game about picking up round grass balls with chopsticks
 - Lawrence will create event on academic calendar and news post
 - Miranda will send copy for the text of event details
 - Suejung and Miranda discussed food and wearing red
 - Cyndy will bring dragon decorations
 - Suejung will brainstorm doing something dragon themed (dragon kite?)
 - Julie suggests: <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/934426622684702625/>
 - Precut the construction paper that Julie has

Asian heritage week (Thursday cooking, Friday movie, Saturday afternoon)

- Library may be under renovation in April and unavailable for April's Asian Heritage Week
- Plan B is Multicultural Center
 - Miranda will see if DIAC can offer financial support

- Matt Adachi says the weekend price is \$35 per hour +\$45
 - He may be unable to waive it if he can't find volunteers
- Plan C is using the campus classrooms (Alumni Center is \$35/hour after hours. Miranda will ask Jason. State Farm Hall of Business has bigger rooms.)
 - Lin Lin could potentially rent out Metcalf ~\$70 for 5 hours. Must go through facilities and parking is always hard on campus.
- Bone Student Center can be free if Miranda reserves using student group, but additional charges apply for chairs, equipment, etc. and no outside food.
- If prices are too high for space, we may only be able to offer one day or alternatively all events must be on the weekdays or a combination
 - Members please think about a solution
- Film viewing: Lawrence will recommend movie titles to Miranda after which Miranda will ask Adam for recommendations (1 or 2? Adult? Child friendly?)
 - Will have a panel for Q&A as usual depending on the subject of the movie
 - Miranda has found that the film viewing was better attended when it was a separate event, but as a part of the heritage week it sees much less attendance.
- Cooking demo will be Tuesday or Thursday
- Lawrence will call Bloomington Library to inquire about construction status and viability to host on Saturday
 - 1st floor community room and another room on second floor

Confirmed programs for Saturday

- Tea ceremony with TY
- Indian Dance/Filipino Tinikling
- APAC will do games or a presentation.
- Karaoke runs in the background concurrently.
- Sweets (may or may not be able to afford this year)
- Bini could be recruited for henna (materials already acquired)
- Julie may do dragon crafts or Filipino lanterns
- LinLin's u-high K-Club students would like to do something unconfirmed. Linlin will ask.