

AsiaConnect Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 17, 2023

Members Present:

🛛 Miranda Lin	🛛 Eva Harrison	🛛 Lawrence Lair	⊠ Chang Su-Russell
🗵 Jeongae Kang	🖾 Suejung Han	🖾 Shengtian Wu	🛛 Laura Finan

Agenda Items

- February Monthly Programing ideas (Lunar New Year Friday, Feb 9)
- Asian Heritage Week ideas
- January Monthly Programing (student presentation) rescheduled due to student schedule conflict.
 - Originally 19th the new day 26th

February Program (Lunar New Year)

- Suejung and Miranda are in talks of making a large food related celebration
 - Multicultural center required \$50/hr to rent the big room
 - Miranda will ask Matt Adachi to confirm rental price
 - Miranda will ask Doris is she would be willing to cover the rent fee
- Lots of red
 - Red envelopes, red clothing, red lanterns, maybe <u>lantern lights</u> and dragon kite. on the quad? Weather an issue.
 - Partner with Wear Red on Friday?
- Something food related?
 - Rice cakes, long noodles, Mandarin oranges, dumplings

Asian heritage week

- Locations
 - o Illinois Art Station? Miranda will ask Laura
 - Normal Library is willing to host again
- Planning on 2 half days: Saturday noon-5, Sunday noon-4
- Tea ceremony probably not returning (if needed). TY has been volunteering this for 2 years now, Miranda would like to diversify. Need to think of new options?
 - Students could do a bubble tea program?
- Adam Fox acknowledged that movie fee was donated to AsiaConnect
- May need to brainstorm Asian film (2 viewings? kid friendly and general audience?)
 - Need recommendations
- Suejung says Korean school wants to be in contact to plan for programing
- Miranda will ask Judi to see if APAC wants to join
- Karaoke in the basement room again? Shengtian will run.
 - Battery needed, power strip or nearby outlet needed.
- Could reach out to U-High. Lin Lin requests involvement. Will include her students

- Organizers from Festival of Joy volunteered to do a cooking demo
 - Exact date TBD (possibly M, T, W. Chang will check with Amy F.)
- Sweets/snack bar?
 - Asian shaved ice bar?
- Miranda will reach out to Indian Student and Bangladesh Student RSOs
- Indian dance instructor has agreed to teach again
- Julie emailed:
 - Filipino Tinkling, a traditional Filipino dance (<u>https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064575405946</u>). This is an Illinois local group. I haven't reached out to them yet.
 - Chinese calligraphy demonstration. Activity for people to do. There's a local person: <u>https://www.facebook.com/skylandcalligraphy/</u>) (or another local artist named Su Ge. I contacted them and have not heard a response.)