

NASHVILLE CHINESE SCHOOL

大納城中文學校

Board Meeting

April 5, 2008

Members Present: Susan Reiman Canon
Celia Lee
BeeLing Chang
Charlene Helmuth
Emory Shyong
Peiling Yao
John Liu

Minutes:

- 10:30 pm – meeting opened formally.
- Review of minutes from last meeting, corrections
- Discussed grant fundraising
 - Susan to register NCS with Community Foundation
 - Celia emphasized community service and culture within NCS
 - Chalene emphasized youth orientation of programs
- Discussion Internet/communications with NCS
 - Expressed need for someone with
 - Technical knowledge
 - Access to news/events
 - Have sufficient free time
 - Emory volunteered to be advisor
 - Possible candidates: Shalom Yang or Thomas Bessent
- Closing Ceremony
 - Suggestion by Celia to invite Jen-Jen's CAAN to perform, Chalene emphasized the desire to pair up with CAAN to promote Chinese culture going forward
 - Suggestion to invite Mayor, Governor, other high-profile people to attend
 - Press release: Tennessean, WPLN, Channel 2
 - John volunteered to create NCS letterhead, Chalene volunteered to draft invitation language
- Scholarship funds
 - Need to advertise them in the school guide at beginning of year
- Adult Language Program
 - Need for restructuring as adult language program not suiting needs, large student attrition
 - Chalene suggests:
 - Don't use college level textbook
 - Use class to teach culture as well as language
 - Set measurable goals
 - Agreed to poll parents to determine their needs
- 12:00 pm – meeting closed