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Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 19th, 2013 One Ashburton Place 21st Floor

Absent Commissioners are highlighted on left. Remote Participants are indicated by an asterisk*.

- 1. Accept 02/24/2013 meeting minutes.
 - Gilbert Ho motioned to accept minutes, seconded by Jennifer Cao. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.
- 2. Compliance (Open Meeting Law, Conflict of Interest, etc.) State ethics training
 - There will be more compliance work with the 501(c)3 status. The Admin/Finance subcommittee will need to be more diligent.
 - We may consider inviting someone to give us a training. The Commission is the only agency for Asian Americans and one incident could put us in jeopardy.
- 3. Commissioner engagement

Advisory committee (bringing in outside individuals)

- Commissioners can identify outside supporters to be a member of the advisory committee. It can be a way to retain past Commissioners and future candidates.
- Grace asked that Gilbert Ho and Ken Fong take the lead in how this committee could operate.
- **Executive Director reports** Meetings with other agencies

Outreach efforts

- Ken An and Jason met with the Senate President staff. It went well and our one ask is to have the Senate President attend our events.
- Grace Lee and Jason met with Julian Tynes, Chair of the MA Commission against Discrimination. We talked about attending their "Train the Trainer" program and other ways to be involve.
- 5. 2013 Unity Dinner Tuesday, May 14

Honorees / Speakers

Get list of potential sponsors from each Commissioner for consultant to work on.

- The Honorees are Joslin's AADI, Asian Mental Health, ATASK, Lowell Metta Health, and South Cove.
- The CO-Chairs are Dr. Carl Isihara & Dr. Om Ganda.
- Old business

New Business

• If you have any confusion about your terms, please speak with Jason directly.