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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 12th, 2012

One Ashburton Place, 21st Floor

Absent Commissioners are highlighted on left.

Remote Participants are indicated by an asterisk*.

1. Review of 5/8 & 5/16 minutes.
 - Yan Jennifer Cao motioned to accept minutes, seconded by Joel Buenaventura. Motion carried by a unanimous vote
2. Post-dinner debriefing
 - The dinner was a success and met the minimum fundraising goal. South Asians were represented with the help of Co-Chairs and speaker. Many attendees commented that the venue was a good setting for the dinner.
 - We will consider using a fundraising consultant next year.
 - State House is a possible venue to attract state legislators. It could be a luncheon instead.

Discussion on next year's dinner and healthcare theme

 - To be discussed at the retreat.

Establish Commissioners' expectations to be included in the manual

 - To be discussed at the retreat.
3. Understanding the financials
 - Most of the dinner funds have come in.

Identifying funding opportunities

 - To be discussed at the retreat.
4. Initiatives
 - Resource Fair – Chinatown festival 6/24 and Lowell Water festival 8/18
 - Jason is concentrating on job opportunities and voting information. Joel recommended working with MassVote.
 - Young Leader Symposium 9/21
 - Healthcare ideas for 2013?
5. New business
 - We will use Doodle to find a mutual time in the summer to host a retreat.

Old Business
6. Next Commission meeting: **Tuesday, July 10th Treasurer's Office**