JTF Board Meeting
Monday, February 27, 2012 @ 6:00 p.m.
JACL
Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Sandy Mori, Caryl Ito, Denis Henmi, Benh Nakajo, Ros Tonai,
Staff: Bob Hamaguchi and Greg Marutani
Guests: None
Absent: Mark Moriguchi, Tak Matsuba, Seiko Fujimoto, Lisa Watada

A. There was not a quorum.

Meeting called to order: 6:15 p.m. by Sandy Mori, President

B. Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting on November, 28, 2011 and
   January 23, 2012. Due to lack of quorum, the minutes would have to be approved at
   the next meeting. It was recommended that the minutes be approved by email.

C. Staff Report from Bob Hamaguchi, Executive Director and Greg Marutani,
   Community Aide

Redistricting Update

Hamaguchi reported that the Redistricting process was to be completed by April 15 and the
decision of the Redistricting Task Force (RTF) is final on that date. Public meetings of the
RTF will continue right up to the deadline. All efforts of the Japantown Organizing
Committee in coalition with several sympathetic Western Addition representatives had been
so far very successful. The latest northern boundary was distributed to the board. The key
assets of JCYC, Nichiren Buddhist Church, Chibi Chan, along with other Western Addition
assets were now within the District 5 proposed boundary. If all goes as planned, this would
be considered a great success. The consensus was that the map with these assets was the
right map to support.

PG&E JEDM Grant Request $8,000

Hamaguchi reported that we have received an $8000 grant from PG&E Foundation
unrestricted in support of the JEDM program. The money will be used for rent, insurance,
and other small business support programs related to JEDM.

AT&T

Hamaguchi reported that application has been made to the AT&T for $5000 to fund a speaker
program for small businesses.

Small Business Assistance

Three clients had service needs in January. No new clients were obtained.

The business climate in January was normally slow following the Holiday season.
Merchants had mixed reports for the Holidays. Garage revenue and transient parking
were both down when seasonally adjusted. Hotel occupancy continues to be in the 90% range with significant improvement in the daily room rate. Several retail businesses continue on month to month arrangements, but stayed open during the Holidays.

D. Presidents Report from Sandy Mori

President Mori reported that the Finance Committee of Caryl Ito, Mark Moriguchi, and Hamaguchi had met and reviewed and recommended the attached budget for the 2012-13 fiscal year. That budget totals $150,000 including FTE of 2, BNP meetings of $4000, Legal Fees for CLT Formation of $20000. Meetings will be arranged with Wells Fargo, Comcast, SF Foundation, and Union Bank.

E. Other Business and Announcements

There was no new business or announcements.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.