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## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013

One Ashburton Place 21<sup>st</sup> Floor

Absent Commissioners are highlighted on left.

Remote Participants are indicated by an asterisk\*.

1. Accept 01/24/2013 meeting minutes.
  - Priti Rao motioned to accept minutes, seconded by Karen Tseng. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.
2. Welcome new Commissioner, Nick Chau.
3. Both Executive and Young Leaders Symposium sub/committees are meeting after.
4. Review mandatory action items from Commissioners.
5. Update on 501(c)3 nonprofit status.
  - The application is pending. In the meantime, we can use ACDC as our fiscal sponsor.
6. 2013 Unity Dinner update.
  - We should consider a future multi-theme event to celebrate achievements in several fields instead of one, i.e., health & entrepreneurship.
  - Jason will send out a spreadsheet to collect potential sponsors/attendees from Commissioners.
  - The minimum expectation from each Commissioner is to purchase 2 tickets.

Vote on fundraising consultant.

  - Kay Dong motioned to accept minutes, seconded by Joel Buenaventura. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.
  - There is a 15% commission. It may be the right step towards having one dedicated person to handle the heavy workload around fundraising.
  - Is there legal issue in hiring a contractor?

Get list of potential sponsors from each Commissioner for consultant to work on.  
Honorees will be discussed on Thursday 2/21 conference call.  
Roles for the PR subcommittee?
7. Subcommittee updates.
  - Admin / Finance
  - PR / Legislation
  - Program - Unity Dinner
  - Program - Young Leaders Symposium
  - Program - Healthcare
  - Program - Economic Development
8. Old business  
New Business

Next Commission meeting: Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> 2013