

Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Community Development
Wednesday September 18, 2019, 6:30 pm

- Welcome/Introductions
 - Meeting was opened by Vice Chair Ben Takai
 - Commissioners offered introductions. In attendance
 - MOAPIA in Person: Ben de Guzman, Henry Duong
 - COAPIA in Person: Jennifer Hara, Ronak Desai, Bhavna Pandit Ghia, and John Tinpe
 - COAPIA by Phone: Ben Takai, Bruce Leal, Kishan Putta, Nir Adhikari

- Director's Report, Director DeGuzman, MOAPIA.
 - Director reviewed events currently in front of the MOAPIA office

- Community meeting – 2020 Census Preparations, on October 9 at 441 4th St. NW Room 1117
 - Director reviewed logistics surrounding the upcoming meeting

- Diwali Celebration
 - Will occur at the Freer/Sackler Galleries on October 28
 - Final logistics including MC (Neel Saxena from AALEAD and former MOAPIA staffer) and acts are being finalized

- Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Representation
 - Director and Commissioner Leal reached out to representatives at the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to engage Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPI) communities
 - Commissioner Takai has reached out to NHPI community members to better engage with the NHPI community

- Commission Task Forces
 - Current status of task forces remains unchanged

Meeting Adjournment

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 16, 6:30 pm

Questions:

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