

COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH

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Hospice Maui Conference Room

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CONVENE: 10:00 AM

PRESENT: Wayne Yamashige
Karen Wolfe
Wanda McMaster
Rafael Boritzer
Felecia Shin

EXCUSED: Jina Lawler
Elaine Yamashita

ABSENT: Duke Sevilla
Kanani Baz

STAFF: Mel Dadez

CHAIR BORITZER: . . . I understand we don't yet have the minutes from last time; we'll approve them next meeting. Do we have any correspondence, Mel?

MR. DADEZ: No.

CHAIR BORITZER: Okay. We got a list from Mel, new business of the agencies that are currently getting money from the County. Perhaps we'd like to discuss the suggestion to invite the manager of grants for the County to come to our next meeting and tell us the about the status of the various grants that affect children and youth. And from that perhaps cull a list that will allow us to invite certain groups to present their case for we need money and also tell us and inform us of what is going on, how they are spending their current money. Anybody like to add something to that?

MS. WOLFE: I think that says it all.

CHAIR BORITZER: . . . unfinished business, homelessness (inaudible). . .

MS. MCMASTER: But before we go on from that, I would like to add that we were talking about rather than having people call if they're not coming, call if they

are coming 'cause if we're going to have Rudy come down we need to do our best to have a quorum.

CHAIR BORITZER: Correct. So we suggested that changing the bottom of the announcements that people call in if they will be coming to the meeting. And that way we don't wait for the people who forget perhaps to notify us that they're not coming or at the last minute (inaudible). So we can count on a quorum, not have you coming in from Lanai for a meeting that may not be.

MS. MCMASTER: And now do you – and let's set the date earlier, let's set – if we could get the agenda out, you know, maybe a couple of weeks before and then have them call at least a week before and then I don't know if (inaudible) you've got staff that could call the people who haven't called yet to follow up on it. Then I think that would give us a greater chance of – for sure – people are coming, you know?

CHAIR BORITZER: Mmm-hmm.

MS. SHIN: I know I need to call and verify with Mel, with my boat ticket and my car rental (inaudible). . .

MS. MCMASTER: How far ahead do you need to call?

MS. SHIN: I call like a week – was it a week or a week and a half, you gave us a time frame to put it in the mail.

MR. DADEZ: Mmm-hmm.

MS. MCMASTER: So then we need to know – we need to have a response from the commission members before then so you will actually know.

MR. DADEZ: So a couple of weeks?

CHAIR BORITZER/MS. MCMASTER: Yeah.

MR. DADEZ: Okay.

MS. MCMASTER: I think that's a good reminder in terms of people's calendars too that there is one coming up rather than just, you know, a couple days before.

MS. SHIN: How about changing the time from 10 to 10:30?

MS. MCMASTER: That's fine with me.

CHAIR BORITZER: No problem.

MS. SHIN: Because of the traffic and the car – ‘cause I know the ships are back in and it’s so bothersome.

MS. MCMASTER: Yeah, sure we should do that for you and the Molokai person.

CHAIR BORITZER: Yeah, no problem at all. Everybody agreed on it?

MR. DADEZ: You think 10:30 is enough time?

MS. MCMASTER: And you don’t have a heart attack on your way over – laughter.

MS. SHIN: Well, maybe 11:00 then, what do you think? Is that cutting it too close to lunch?

MR. DADEZ: Well, she came at 10:40.

CHAIR BORITZER: Let’s make it 10:45.

MS. SHIN: Okay.

CHAIR BORITZER: Because by noon, I got to – I turn into a pumpkin.

MS. SHIN: Oh, okay – laughter. I didn’t expect to be this late – normally I’m here by 10:30 even when – but it was just terrible down in – this morning when I came in.

MS. MCMASTER: So cruise ships are in?

MS. SHIN: Two cruise ships.

CHAIR BORITZER: Yeah, I saw them this morning – I paddled this morning at Maalae and I saw them coming in.

MS. SHIN: And I normally – they normally know when I’m coming so they’re there at the boat harbor but a whole bunch of them jumped on the shuttle and they had to leave without me and I was (inaudible) and I was like “Hey!” so I had to catch another taxi cab to get to the (inaudible).

MS. MCMASTER: There’s no way they could have a car for you at this – since you’re such a regular customer?

MS. SHIN: No.

CHAIR BORITZER: Where does it come from – the airport in Kapalua?

MS. SHIN: No, near Kapalua. It's by the hotels.

CHAIR BORITZER: Ahhh.

MS. WOLFE: In Honokowai. Right there – Dollar Rent A Car?

MS. SHIN: Yes. And they're pretty much – because we do good business with them and they know who I am so they know when I (inaudible). . .

MS. WOLFE: What time do you come through? I can pick you up.

MS. SHIN: I'm here – I'm at the boat harbor by 9:00 if we leave on time.

MS. WOLFE: Because I'm coming through Kapalua, through Lahaina – why couldn't I pick you up and bring you here? And I go back to Lahaina because I work in Lahaina.

MS. MCMASTER: Do you want to have a car to do errands while you're here?

MS. SHIN: Okay. Let me think about it and let you know. I have your number with the directory now.

MS. WOLFE: (Inaudible) - okay. Because I leave my house and I could swing by there and pick you up, bring you in and then take you back with me.

MR. DADEZ: But her boat doesn't leave 'til what time?

MS. SHIN: 5:45.

MR. DADEZ: 5:45 so she does other business.

MS. WOLFE: Oh, okay.

MS. MCMASTER: Probably go to Costco, stuff like that – laughter.

MS. WOLFE: Well, it's a thought.

MS. SHIN: Thank you, though, thank you.

MS. WOLFE: 'Course you could rent a car in Kahului too.

MS. MCMASTER: Then you have to return it too.

MS. SHIN: Then I have to go back and return it.

MS. WOLFE: Oh, yeah.

CHAIR BORITZER: Okay, do we have any more new business that we want to raise at this time? Wanda – on the record can I mention the fact what you said about the new volunteers for the commission?

MS. MCMASTER: Oh – I was just suggesting that we look at who the County – see if there are applicants because three of us are going off in March so we need to have three people ready to step in so we can continue to have an active commission.

MR. YAMASHIGE: Who would that be?

MS. MCMASTER: Me, Elaine, and Kanani. Our term expires March 31st. So we'd be here for the March meeting but not the April.

CHAIR BORITZER: And since December is going to be a bad month anyway and our next meeting is November, probably the following meeting scheduled for February which (inaudible) gives us a month before prior to the (inaudible). It's really a good idea perhaps to mention it.

MS. WOLFE: So you have a meeting scheduled December 4th, you don't want to do that now?

CHAIR BORITZER: No, no – I'm just saying it's going to be much dead in the water until the second or third week in January (inaudible) get it back so. . .

MS. MCMASTER: So you probably won't have a January meeting, that's what you're saying?

CHAIR BORITZER: Well, I don't know. I'm saying it's going to be (inaudible). . .

MS. MCMASTER: I think that – you know, I mean, part of it, if we're going to do it is be realistic about having a quorums, you know.

CHAIR BORITZER: Yeah, so if we think that the holiday time is going to prevent us from getting a quorum because I know I'm going to the mainland on the 6th for a conference in December so other people might have other plans because it's Thanksgiving to Christmas is usually a tough time to have meetings, you know. People don't mind coming to parties but (inaudible).

MS. MCMASTER: So at our November meeting you should take a survey and see who will be here in December.

CHAIR BORITZER: Exactly, exactly.

MS. MCMASTER: I think maybe that's a good thing to do every meeting, to have that on the agenda, you know, because people often have calendars ahead and have some idea whether they're going to be here or not.

CHAIR BORITZER: Okay, so let's have that on the agenda. Does anybody have any more new business they'd like to raise?

MS. MCMASTER: (Inaudible)

MS. WOLFE: I can (inaudible).

CHAIR BORITZER: Mary, do you have the thing with the person with the child that you wanted to invite?

MS. WOLFE: Yeah, I just – you know, he won't spend that much time, maybe ten minutes – he's not going to take - I think he just has a concern because. . .

CHAIR BORITZER: Okay, well, why don't you – Felicia didn't hear the discussion we had off the record.

MS. WOLFE: Oh, I'm sorry. There's a gentleman named Bill Green who has an autistic child and he lives on the West side and he was wondering if he could come and just speak to the Commission briefly about some of the services that are lacking on the West side and just kind of let people know, you know, what his concerns are and he won't take up that much time. But I just thought that would be interesting to see where the needs are.

MS. SHIN: Mmm-hmm, okay.

MS. WOLFE: Especially when he has an autistic child and he's dealing with it everyday so. . .

MS. SHIN: Yeah, that's pretty hard.

CHAIR BORITZER: Do we have any additional new business? That brings us to our perennial old business which is homelessness. We haven't been able to cure in the year since I've been on the Commission and so I was thinking – one of the ideas I had – I'd just like to throw this out to people. I've been to the Hawaiian homestead lands on the other side – Kauku?

MR. DADEZ: Kaupo.

CHAIR BORITZER: Kaupo. And I had a friend that actually had a piece of land up there and he finally gave it up because the conditions were so difficult to drive up with his motorcycle and four wheel drive (inaudible) very lacking. And I'm

really surprised we have a sustainable environmental program now at MCC and they play around building things and (inaudible) power and so on but I'm really amazed that no one has thought of making life a little easier on these homesteading areas because there's really no infrastructure built in. Perhaps even converting old containers which are very simple and since we have the welding program at MCC I'm surprised that nobody has thought of making affordable housing from the old containers that you can lift up with a helicopter and drop in a lot of these places. People are living basically in derelict cars and vans up there which, you know, that's hardly enticing to go and claim your homestead land when you see the other (inaudible) with a piece of plastic and old cars holding it up. And here is something that is so easily done because a container, usually a used container is about \$2000. And instead of just having also older people living in those environments you could then also perhaps house children or younger couples that might want to homestead. It's just that – you're going to have some living (inaudible) you going to sell the idea of homesteading, (inaudible) of building new developments, you can make it for those people who want to live a closer life to nature and give them some basics. And I've seen that done in Asia where they actually just take a welding torch and they cut off the windows, put a couple of hinges and you've got windows closing so in bad weather you can always close it. You make like a (inaudible) hatches on top that you can open for ventilation. And the basic box you can cut the doors on the side and always add more modules, more modules like a toilet, you know, sani – porta-potty toilet that uses composting techniques to get rid of the waste. Some very, very basic things as a joint partnership, we're concerned about children and we're concerned about maintaining some sense of culture and Hawaiian identity. The homestead lands have been allocated and the people who deserve or get them are known, it's not a secret. So I thought that maybe in terms of our interests, children being part of the families, this could be an idea where we can invite participation, whether donation of those containers by Matson Lines or by Pasha Lines and so on and get the school involved in training students in welding to convert them and so on.

MS. MCMASTER: Have you talked to the program coordinators at MCC to see if (inaudible).

CHAIR BORITZER: I have talked to no one because I've been mulling this idea because since my friend lives up there and I tried to go visit him and my motorcycle is not a dirt bike and I always only make it about one mile up and he lives seven miles up on the trail and so he'd leave his motorcycle down at the bottom and drive his four wheel up there and he finally gave it up. He was a security guard at MCC . . .

MS. WOLFE: And this is in Kaipo?

MS. MCMASTER: Kanaio is it?

CHAIR BORITZER: No.

MR. DADEZ: Kaupo.

CHAIR BORITZER: Kaupo. In the back, right in the back at the end of the road.

MS. MCMASTER: How do you spell it? I know there's homestead lands (inaudible).

CHAIR BORITZER: You go past the vineyard. . .

MS. MCMASTER: So there is a Kaupo as well, huh?

CHAIR BORITZER: I think it's actually between Kaupo and the end of the road, where the dirt road is over there. And it's beautiful! And acres and acres are available but mostly older people have gone there and they're living really in conditions worse than Third World, I have to describe it as worse than Third World.

MS. MCMASTER: There's no water or power or anything like that?

CHAIR BORITZER: There's no water or anything.

MS. MCMASTER: Like you said, it's unknown.

CHAIR BORITZER: But the solutions are very simple. These containers as the initial housing to protect against the elements and you can even weld water tanks up there or catchments from the (inaudible) directly into the unit. The other thing is I'm really surprised that no one has thought about desalinating water because it's only about a mile away from the shore at least at the base of the trail. So you can (inaudible) up the mountain can at least distribute water for basic needs without having – they usually get at the vineyard, they stop over there at the farm and fill up the water tanks to take up the mountain.

MS. WOLFE: And these are Hawaiian homelands ?

CHAIR BORITZER: Yeah, homestead – they get a homestead you have to agree to come and actually go up there and they do some very basic truck farming, you know very basic vegetables and so on whatever possible. I would say it's at about 5000 feet elevation, between 2 and 5000 feet, right on the side of Haleakala on the back. But when we speak of homelessness also that we saw over last year at the harbor and we just keep moving them around. And I just wonder about all the kids that are being shuttled around from park place to park place and on Oahu we had the same problem. Over there, if you go down

the Waianae coast you see at the public park vans and vehicles and so on. I didn't see that on Lanai (inaudible).

MS. SHIN: We have one homeless family was from here. So we tried and we got them – we have such thing as low income dwellings on Lanai that you have to put your names on and in the mean time they were just camping down at the beach and they move camp and now they're down at the (inaudible) Harbor now in abandoned homes down there. But the child has been, the kids have been coming to school on a consistent basis where before they weren't going to school at all.

CHAIR BORITZER: I think when it comes to homelessness we've got to think out of the box. A simple solution about waiting for the developers to put up low cost housing that's a no win proposition in my mind. That's goes no where.

MS. MCMASTER: Well and the Hawaiian Homes is years out too. They're so back that people - some people have died already, they're in the '90's. I know somebody that acquired in 2003 and they've got –

CHAIR BORITZER: I first came to live in 1964 in Hawaii in Honolulu. And at that time the big thing was talking about the light rail from Waianae into Waikapu. Sixty four! Look at the number of years that one! It's only 43 years ago – just like a drop in the hat. We are still talking and still not going to go to Waikiki and still not going to go to Manoa, still not going nowhere, you know. But I'm thinking about solutions that can be done with almost no funding. You know, can almost be done by donations and volunteers, like Habitat for Humanity or something. It can really be done, but I don't – quite frankly, I'm new to Maui, I'm malahini after 3 years only here, and I don't have the idea, I thought it was the power structure but they've been dying off slowly as I sat here and I don't know who the new power structures are but I think that this is something that – an idea that whose time has come. Instead of just talking about the homelessness and the effect on children and youth and (inaudible) cause into drugs, you know. We all – we know all that. What can we do to – the other idea when they were building the dormitory for the MCC, actually not owned by MCC but it's going to be used by MCC and they (inaudible) completing it on time, I suggested to the college you know, there's a company called the clothesline, what's the biggest clothesline in the world, not celebrity but Carter. Carter is a very big company, the guy that owned it passed away three years ago and left it all to his daughter, was my father's best friend back about 60 years ago. And I said, you know, they drop ships off all the time for a deconstruction they call it, to India. They drive them up on the beach, they take them apart and for the steel, they only (inaudible) they have is steel. And then the way that they go there, these ships, they could be for tax purposes especially in the U.S. they could be donated or rented for certain lengths of time. These could be – they just have to be anchored, they all have

generators and functions like a little city. And they could be used also for homeless people.

MS. SHIN: I think with my past experience with that one homeless family that we have on Lanai, they going to have to want it. There were all of these people that were ready to help them but they weren't just willing to accept help (inaudible).

CHAIR BORITZER: Yeah, the cultural problem – this is one of the issues. You can't force them.

MS. MCMASTER: That's pretty amazing though that you have just one family and that's great.

MS. SHIN: I (inaudible) mean (inaudible) a lot 'cause we'd never had homeless people. If we had them, they were either shipped off the island because they needed health care but we never had a family with kids.

MS. MCMASTER: Actually live there.

MS. SHIN: Actually live on Lanai.

CHAIR BORITZER: So you maybe you can to keep them – don't let them get a house 'cause we need some on the island (laughter).

MS. SHIN: They did get their – we have the new federal apartment homes, low income homes that just opened up on Lanai so they have a unit. So now they have a place of their own.

MS. MCMASTER: So now you don't have any homeless?

MS. SHIN: We don't have any, now they're not homeless. Which is (inaudible).

CHAIR BORITZER: They got to get you some from Oahu. Mel, see if we can get them some homeless people from Oahu (laughter).

MR. DADEZ: From here.

MS. SHIN: But just – general things like, she came over with ukus, the little girl, so just keeping her clean on a consistent basis was even harder. Just to have her be in school – 'cause we are nit free at school so just having people donate money to buy her uku medicine and then have her clean - have the mom and the dad clean her hair everyday was a chore in itself. It took most of my time – 'cause I wanted that little girl to be in school.

CHAIR BORITZER: That's another acculturation, especially with homeless people that have gotten used to the lifestyle, it's very difficult sometimes to get them back. Some of them actually - I talked to the people over at the harbor - Hey, I like that kind of life, you know.

MS. SHIN: Yeah.

CHAIR BORITZER: What can you say, what do you say to that, you know? Hey, the rest of the island doesn't like to drive by here and see you just fishing, doing drugs, having a good time, you know.

MS. MCMASTER: Well, that's not - that's a stereotype. There are a lot of different (inaudible). . .

CHAIR BORITZER: No - no. I'm saying that there are a lot of issues there, a lot of people do it by choice and a lot of people do it because they have no choice. So it's not - the answer's not the same for all the people. One of the answers helps some of the people and you need different answers for the other people. I mean, obviously, I think that the Weinberg Foundation did a wonderful thing in building low cost housing but it wasn't the answer for everybody and (inaudible) the old commission, you know. But anyway, that's just an idea I thought I'd throw out because I'd like to encourage all of us to kind of think out of the box what we can do instead of just always needing to talk about the problem. You know, what can we do that maybe doesn't require a lot of money, doesn't require a lot of approvals and so on.

MS. WOLFE: How many movie stars do we get visit our island?

CHAIR BORITZER: Between the Harley Davidson family and (inaudible). . .

MS. WOLFE: Brad Pitt's going to Katrina, I mean, he's giving \$5 million dollars of his own money, you know, Tom Pettington built the home for the (inaudible) that was on Extreme Home Makeover. I mean, you know . . .

MS. MCMASTER: That's one home in Hawaii. . . (laughter from group)

MS. WOLFE: (Inaudible) good ideas. We're sitting here like we've got all this revenue and we're like all that and we've got these - I live around millionaires who could care less and they're just coming and raping everything and they're putting nothing back and you know, I like your ideas. I think that is thinking outside of the box. We rescued a homeless guy that lived on the beach 18 years and he's living with, he's back with his family, he's productive, he's got health problems because of that but you know, we went as a family and got this guy. So each one for each one. I mean, just like you did with that family, you went and it was work and it was tough but you worked with them until they got to

where they are now and you know, I think, I'm like you, I think we need to think way outside the box. I think we need to call in all of our markers and all these people that come here –

CHAIR BORITZER: (Inaudible) contacts. I mean, Wanda you've been here most of your life, right? Or your whole life?

MS. MCMASTER: No, not my whole life but almost all – 34 years.

CHAIR BORITZER: So you know all the players. You know the players, you know the players, you know the players, and you know the players on Lanai. I don't know the players.

MS. WOLFE: Nor do I, on this island. I know them on every other but not this one.

MS. MCMASTER: Maybe the other thing we need to think about is how big this box is – these are extremely broad topics so you look at them and you go – you know, so maybe we need to get more specific and more realistic about what within this commission is something we can actually accomplish.

MS. SHIN: How about just gathering interested parties first and coming together and talking about it.

CHAIR BORITZER: I think we could be the facilitators. We could be the facilitation venue to get some of the people to express ideas. In fact, some of the people are waiting to act on.

MS. MCMASTER: Right and also find out what's already going on. Because this is an issue in a lot of places so we don't need to reinvent the wheel, we need to see what's already happening and then what piece of that maybe would be realistic for us to do something about.

CHAIR BORITZER: (Inaudible) . . . my job at MCC and University of Hawaii at Manoa is the first time I've worked in a big bureaucracy except the Israeli military. And I'm used to getting things done. Okay, I don't believe a lot of talk shop. I spend all my time talking at the University, that's where I do my talking. The rest of the time, I like to get at least some sense of benefit to the community I live in. Anyway, that's just my ideas and take it for what it's worth. And that was also the reason I initially sent to Mel and it's no longer on the agenda but all these ideas I've culled from other agencies on the Mainland who work with youth and children commissions. And what they're doing, what are some of their ideas, not necessarily that we have to adopt their ideas but at least see what our counterparts are doing around the country. So, please if you have any ideas after looking at some of those ideas, bring them forward.

MS. WOLFE: I think homelessness is probably the biggest thing with me because I've seen it and I could be there myself, you know what I'm saying? You know, not everybody has millions of dollars, I mean, I work – I'm an interior designer, I see people come in everyday and money's no object. And I've seen the local people and I don't think we should be a dumping ground for people who are – I've had some people come in that have obviously been dumped here and they have resources and no one wanted them and so they've just been dumped here and so that's quote, unquote homelessness. That's something I would like to tackle. It's a big deal to me. I mean even writing to movie stars, you know, you come to our islands, you enjoy what we have here, but we've got these problems and what can you do to help us? Because that's what happened in New Orleans and Brad Pitt. He said you know, you guys aren't doing anything, it's been two or three years, you know, since this happened and you know, I'm personally going to look into this more and I think we need to find out, like Wanda said, what's already being done and where's the pukas and then let's look at it from that venue. I mean, wouldn't it be nice to say you have no homelessness, like on Lanai, that's a blessing.

MS. MCMASTER: We did ask several times for Mike Davis to come talk to us, who was, I don't know if he's still in that position with the new administration, he never came, 'cause he's the coordinator for Maui County in the area of homelessness for that reason, to find out what's going on, where the pukas are and where either this commission or groups that we represent could be helpful. And that never happened.

CHAIR BORITZER: The other (inaudible). I don't want to step on anybody's toes in the other commissions but the other issue that's my personal interest is obesity in children and becoming epidemic in diabetes. And we are just such a melting pot – this issue – it's coming to a boil almost. Five to ten years down the road and I see already at MCC cases of young diabetes in kids who are only 18 or 19 years old. Some of it is hereditary and some of it is homegrown so to speak because of the diet factors. And I think being involved with children and youth it's something that we have to really come with some ideas on how to at least address or prevent in the future. Because I think over taxed the health facilities of this County.

MS. MCMASTER: There is a Hawaiian Health Organization at the Cameron Center that is working in that area with Native Hawaiians. And so they're working with, you know, certainly not the whole population but with, you know, so they already have some strategies that they're working on. So that would be a group maybe to touch bases with.

CHAIR BORITZER: Definitely. And I also would like to set up maybe like a sub group to work with the fast food providers and people like that and get them to –

'cause here we can actually press them, you can't always press them on the Mainland, you know, like McDonald's in New York could give a damn, you know, about what they contributing to this or some other issues. And it's not just the fast food providers, it's pretty much all the food providers. But everybody 's afraid of the competition so nobody's going to take the first step, you know and say, okay, I'm not going to give more than two pounds of food at Da Kitchen or someplace else. But like, coming to some kind of standard that, get awareness at least of what people are doing to their kids as role models.

MS. MCMASTER: They are beginning to list, you know, like food composition and putting calories and introducing salads. I mean, there have been some small inroads in some of the. . .

CHAIR BORITZER: Eventually, it's like everything else, if you don't grab it when you can get at the children, you've lost them because the (inaudible) as we see in the kids in high school, they're gone already. And you've got so much work just to get them back. It takes years and years because they lose that awareness until they're in their late forties or fifties and they start having some incipient chronic diseases and then it's too late.

MS. MCMASTER: That's another issue that Lanai doesn't have.

MS. SHIN: Yeah, 'cause we don't have fast food on Lanai. I mean we do have some children that are overweight but not in the fact where they're obese and there's diabetes (inaudible) little children. We have, like you said, heredity, older people, older adults that have it. There's – I see a lot of the kids now out playing more than watching t.v. The parents are being more receiving into monitoring the t.v. games that the kids are normally home doing and more out there doing, riding their bikes, skateboards. . .

CHAIR BORITZER: I think we may not have to worry about the drub problem because they'll be so overweight they won't be able to get to the drug dealers.

MS. MCMASTER: That would be (inaudible). They used to have you know, all the winning teams and everything, and then once they got cable, they started losing games (Laughter). The outside influences make it real competitive in small communities.

CHAIR BORITZER: Anyway, anybody have any other thing they would like to suggest? Okay. Do we have any announcement – the next meeting is November 13th.

MS. SHIN: At 10:45, right?

CHAIR BORITZER: At 10:45 right.

MS. MCMASTER: And people will . . .

MS. SHIN: Call.

MS. MCMASTER: What's the best way to word that? Because here you just say if you're – maybe you should just have everybody call whether they're coming or not.

MS. SHIN: Check in. Check in with Mel.

CHAIR BORITZER: Yeah, exactly.

MS. MCMASTER: Yeah, period. Just everybody call. And let us know whether you're coming or not.

CHAIR BORITZER: And you know, even though its not in the (inaudible) I'll do it on an informal basis, I'll call them up as well, maybe a couple of days before the meeting so that we'll see who's coming.

MS. MCMASTER: That would be good.

MS. WOLFE: Like I did you? Did you know we're having a meeting November 2nd?

CHAIR BORITZER: No.

MS. WOLFE: October 2nd.

CHAIR BORITZER: October 2nd - no, you know, I got this and I'm looking at it, and it says next meeting November 13th, I said, okay. Then you called me and I said, wait a second, let me read this again. (Inaudible) outside, (inaudible) my reading glasses, I didn't have my reading glasses when I got this. And I said, Oh, okay! (inaudible). Laughter.

MS. WOLFE: It was pretty funny.

CHAIR BORITZER: Okay, so if you have nothing else, I'll adjourn the meeting.

MS. MCMASTER: Oh, one other suggestion would be, maybe after the next meeting, we could set dates for other meetings and then – we used to get a list that we had that had our future meetings listed on it. And I think that's helpful too.

MS. SHIN: Oh yeah.

CHAIR BORITZER: Good.

MS. WOLFE: And what about a list of possible replacements for the three that (inaudible).

MR. DADEZ: I'm working on it.

MS. MCMASTER: I hope you have staff.

MR. DADEZ: The thing is that I'm just filling in on the different positions, so. . .

CHAIR BORITZER: Very good, okay so if we have no further business, I'll adjourn the meeting. Do I have a second?

MS. WOLFE: Second.

CHAIR BORITZER: No opposed?

Respectfully submitted,

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