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Minutes  
of  
Advisory School Board Meeting  
on

November 27, 1942  
3:00 P.M.

Members present: Paul J. Terry  
Toichi Domoto  
Kazuo Masuda  
Buddy Iwata  
Dr. George Nagamoto  
Mrs. George Takayama  
Dr. Takashi Terami  
Mrs. Hama Yamasaki  
Mrs. Grace Yokouchi

Also: Kenji Okuda and Shozo Oniki, representing the College Council.

Kenji reported on the recommendations of the college group to the effect that some surveillance should be made of students wanting to attend Junior College, but that this probably could not be done prior to actual attendance. Therefore, students should be allowed to attend the Junior College in Lamar; but upon the recommendation of the Project Director, any students who fail to conduct themselves in a manner becoming to all residents of Amache would be asked to discontinue attendance at the college. This proposal was accepted with the understanding that individuals would be asked to sign a statement voluntarily agreeing to leave the college upon request.

Discussion followed concerning possibilities of securing lowered tuition rates at the college.

Mr. Terry reported the authorities of the college had purchased a school bus for the transportation of students from Amache to Lamar and had offered free tuition and transportation to some responsible individual to drive the school bus from Amache to Lamar and back each day. The school bus would then be left at Amache each evening.

It was decided that we would wait until following the general meeting to decide whether it is feasible for one of the group attending the school to drive the ~~truck~~ <sup>bus</sup> or for some older person to perform this function.

The Board agreed to set regular Advisory School Board Meetings for each Wednesday afternoon at 3:00.



MEETING  
of  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

December 30, 1942

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 3:00 P.M. on Wednesday, December 30th, with the following present:

Mr. Paul J. Terry	Mrs. George Takeyama
Dr. Masuichi Higaki	Dr. Takashi Terami
Mr. Kazuo Masuda	Mrs. Hama Yamasaki
Dr. George Nagamoto	Mr. Morris H. Soglow

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as read.

PHYSICAL EDU-  
CATION AND  
HEALTH PROGRAM

Morris H. Soglow, Physical Education and Health Advisor, was present at this meeting to discuss with members of the Board the Physical education program now in operation here at the center. In order to achieve the desired results in this program, it was felt that on the basis of medical examinations pupils should be assigned to one of the following groups:

(1) active; (2) corrective; or (3) rest.

Until such time that the medical staff can assist the schools in carrying out this plan, physical education instructors will continue with classes and watch carefully to detect those students who are not physically able to participate in all types of activities.

SAFETY  
REGULATIONS

Although school children have been warned of the traffic hazards on the streets, it was felt that repeated warnings to the children and traffic law enforcement would aid materially in decreasing possibilities of accidents.

CONSTRUCTION  
OF SCHOOL  
BUILDINGS

In the recent series of articles appearing in the Pueblo Chieftian severe criticism has been directed against the War Relocation Authority because of the allocation of \$308,000 for the construction of school buildings here at the center. In comparison with the costs of similar construction in other communities of corresponding population and in view of the fact that costs increase during a war period, it was felt that this appropriation was not excessive.

QUARTERLY  
BUDGET

Discussion of the quarterly budget for the administration of the schools here at the center was postponed until the next meeting.

LANGUAGE OF  
INSTRUCTION IN  
NIGHT SCHOOL

Clarification of Administrative Instruction No. 23, Supplement No. 23, has been requested insofar as it relates to the conduction of night school classes in current events, history, and economics in the Japanese language.

Permission has been requested to form night school classes in the



writing and interpretation of Japanese poetry and in Japanese penmanship (Shuji).

JUDO CLASSES

Inasmuch as Judo is considered a recreational activity, organization of this class would be the responsibility of the Recreation Department. In the event that no action is taken by that department, promotion of this class will be given further consideration by the Education Section at a later date.

SCHOOL  
ADVISORS

The secondary school faculty has given serious consideration to the guidance and counselling program, and it is hoped that this service will be available to a greater extent to students within a very short time.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 P.M.



MEETING OF  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

April 15, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The first meeting of the permanent Advisory School Board, which was recently appointed by the Project Director, was called to order at 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 15th, 1943 with all members present as follows:

Mr. Paul J. Terry	Mrs. Alyce Ohama
Mr. Masa Nakano	Dr. Takashi Terami
Dr. George Nagamoto	Mrs. Hama Yamasaki

FUNCTIONS OF ADVISORY  
SCHOOL BOARD

Since some of the members of this board have had no previous experience serving in this capacity, it was felt that data on the operation and functions of school boards, the manner in which they operate in other communities, etc. presented by Mr. Terry at following meetings would be of service to all.

SECOND QUARTERLY  
REPORT

Copies of the Second Quarterly Report of activities in the Education Section covering the period from October 1, 1942 to December 31, 1942 were presented to all members.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

In accordance with an agreement between the War Relocation Authority and the Colorado State Department of Education, the Amache schools are conforming to the state standard of 180 days of school. Copies of the school calendar, submitted to each member of the board, indicate that we are providing for 182½ days of school.

OSYA PROGRAM

Final arrangements with the Colorado State Board for Vocational Education provide for the conduction of an OSYA training program here at the center. The purpose of this program is to train youth, 17 years and over, in skills needed on the present labor market. The following types of activity will be established between the hours of 6:30 P.M. and 9:30 P.M. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week: (1) auto and truck repair (3 classes); (2) tractor shop (1 class); (3) blacksmith shop (1 class). 120 hours of instruction, extending over a period of eight weeks, will be offered to 150 persons. Certificates, issued upon completion of this course, will be generally recognized throughout Colorado and other states as evidence of train-



ing in a particular field. These classes will begin as soon as this program receives the approval of the Governor of Colorado.

DIPLOMAS, CAPS & GOWNS

It was agreed that plans should be made for the rental of caps and gowns for the High School Graduation Class.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Following a discussion on compulsory school attendance, the board unanimously agreed that the following policy should be adopted by the Amache schools: All children shall attend school from kindergarten through high school unless extenuating circumstances provide otherwise.

SUMMER VACATION  
ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Proposed plans for a summer activity program were discussed.

SCHEDULE OF NEXT  
MEETING

April 29th, 3 P.M. was designated as the time for the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M.



MEETING OF  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

April 29th, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 29th, with the following present:

Mr. Paul J. Terry	Mrs. Alyce Ohama
Mr. Masa Nakano	Dr. Takashi Terami
Dr. George Nagamoto	Mrs. Hama Yamasaki

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed.

FUNCTIONS OF  
SCHOOL BOARDS

The functions of Boards of Education according to the Standards, Regulations and Recommendations for the Accrediting of Secondary Schools by the University of Colorado were discussed. Suggested policies for the operation of the Amache School Board were presented to the members, and additional suggestions and criticism of these policies will be made at the next meeting.

Each member received a copy of The Statement of Understanding between the War Relocation Authority, the U. S. Office of Education, and the State Department of Education concerning the educational program to be offered at the Granada Relocation Center.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS  
COMMITTEE

Mr. Samuel J. Gordon, Night School Director, presented to the board the proposed plan for the organization of a Public Affairs Committee. A planning committee is now selecting ten persons representing various organizations and community groups in the center to act as members of the Public Affairs Committee. Functions of this committee will be as follows: (1) determine matters about which the residents should be informed and make necessary arrangements to hold community forums; (2) establish a publicity program by which the residents will be informed of such meetings; (3) promote closer cooperation between the administration and the residents in regard to planning of activities and permit residents to express their opinions on programs, types of recreation, etc.



CAPS AND GOWNS

Since it will be necessary that each student pays for the cost of his cap and gown, part-time jobs will be available to those Seniors who wish to earn enough money to cover this expenditure.

DEDICATION OF HIGH SCHOOL

Following a discussion of plans for the dedication of the new high school building, it was agreed that Mr. Terry would submit to each member a tentative program and individual reactions would be given at the next meeting of the board.

AVAILABILITY OF SCHOOL AUDITORIUM TO ORGANIZATIONS

Discussion of this subject was carried over to the next meeting at which time a final decision will be reached.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

A resident of the center wishes to contribute toward a scholarship fund. It was agreed that such a fund would be established and scholarships would be offered on bases to be determined at a later date.

DONATION TO EDUCATION BY MERCED ASSEMBLY CENTER

A check for \$154 was recently presented to this center by Buddy Iwata in behalf of the Merced Assembly center, one-half of which will be used by the Education Division and the other half by the Recreation Department. It was unanimously agreed by the board that expenses incurred through the participation of school children in outside programs should be paid out of this fund.

SCHEDULE OF NEXT MEETING

May 6th, 3 P.M. was designated as the time for the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 P.M.



MEETING OF  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

May 6th, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 3 P.M. on Thursday, May 6, with the following present:

Mr. Paul J. Terry  
Mr. Masa Nakano  
Mrs Hama Yamasaki

Mrs. Alyce Ohama  
Dr. Takashi Terami

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed.

MUSIC FESTIVAL  
AT PUEBLO

A report was presented on the activities of the Junior and Senior High School Music Departments in the State Music Festival held at Pueblo, April 30th - May 1st. Expenses incurred in the amount of \$47.80 were approved for payment out of the fund donated to the Education Section by the Merced Assembly Center.

If possible, the music departments will reimburse this fund through proceeds from future musical programs.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Members discussed the possibility of the Education Section receiving a donation from the Consumer Enterprise which would be used to start a scholarship fund. The decision of the Board of Directors of Consumer Enterprise regarding this donation will be conveyed to the Advisory School Board at a later date by Dr. Terami.

GRANTING OF DIPLOMAS TO STUDENTS  
LEAVING SCHOOL BEFORE  
END OF TERM

Approximately thirty Senior High School students plan to leave the center prior to the end of the school term, and the problem has arisen as to whether or not these students should be granted diplomas. The Board unanimously agreed that insofar as possible they should be urged to remain in school here at the center, but those who must leave before completing the school term should be given individual consideration.

SUMMER VACATION  
ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Since all groups planning to sponsor activities during the vacation period should be informed concerning other activities being planned so that a coordinated program can be formulated, a meeting of interested persons will be held on Tuesday, May 11th, 1:30 P.M. Dr. Terami was chosen to represent the Advisory School Board at this meeting.



OSYA PROGRAM

Members were informed that this program has not yet received the approval of the Governor of Colorado who has requested supporting data regarding the employment of these men after they have received their training. Governor Vivian felt that such a training program would be of little value unless these persons would be absorbed in the general farm program which Dr. F. A. Anderson of the State Agriculture College is attempting to work out. A survey is being made to determine the number of job offers which have been received in the center for agricultural workers. Reply will be made to the Governor within a short time.

BOARD OF  
CONSULTANTS

In agreement with the "Understanding Concerning the Operation of Schools at the Granada War Relocation Center", it was agreed that the Project Director be asked to appoint, subject to the approval of the State Department of Education, a board of consultants of five persons, who will make semi-annual visits to the relocation schools in order to advise upon its educational program.

POLICIES CONCERN-  
ING USE OF SCHOOL  
BLDG. BY VARIOUS  
GROUPS IN CENTER

Discussion of this matter was postponed until the next meeting.

PARENT-TEACHER  
RELATIONSHIPS

This subject was discussed at previous meetings and final decision postponed until a later date. The board unanimously agreed that the parent-teacher relationship based upon the classroom unit should continue in effect rather than organizing a formal P.T.A.

DEDICATION OF  
SCHOOL BUILDING

A tentative program for the dedication of the school was presented to the members. The theme suggested was "America". It was unanimously agreed that the schools should proceed with plans according to this program. Dr. Terami will represent the Advisory School Board at a meeting on Monday morning, at 8 o'clock, to discuss the dedication of the school.

SCHEDULE OF  
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for May 20th, 2:30 P.M. (NOTE change in time.)



MEETING OF  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

May 20, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 2:30 P.M. on Thursday, May 20th, with the following present:

Mr. Paul J. Terry	Mrs. Alyce Ohama
Mr. Masa Nakano	Dr. Takashi Terami
Dr. George Nagamoto	Mrs. Hama Yamasaki

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed.

USE OF 8H LAUNDRY  
BY COMMUNITY EN-  
TERPRISE

In regard to the request of the Community Enterprise for the use of 8H Laundry room as a barber shop and beauty parlor, it was unanimously agreed by the members of the board that this request should not be honored.

TRANSFER OF TEACH-  
ING PERSONNEL TO  
OTHER DEPARTMENTS

A question was raised as to the transfer of evacuees assigned to the Education Section to work as carpenters in Community Enterprise on the construction of the new cooperative store building. This problem was discussed in terms of the general problem involved; namely, transfer of teachers and assistant teachers to other sections within the center. It was agreed as a general policy that teachers are doing an essential task and, as such, should not be encouraged to accept employment in other departments unless such employment is more beneficial to the people of the community or to the WRA program than the work which they are currently performing.

CONTRIBUTION FROM  
AMACHE RECREATION  
ASSOCIATION

It was agreed to accept a contribution of \$10.00 from the Amache Recreation Association to help defray part of the expenses incurred in sending school delegates to the State Music Festival held in Pueblo on April 30th and May 1st.

ROOM IN NEW SCHOOL  
BLDG. FOR USE OF  
SCHOOL NURSE AND  
MEDICAL OFFICE

Mention was made regarding the possibility of reserving a room in the new high school building for the use of the school nurse and possibly a medical officer—either dentist or doctor, or both. A study of this possibility will be made.

POLICIES OF THE  
ADVISORY SCHOOL  
BOARD

The board agreed to discuss in detail the policies which are to be adopted by the Advisory School Board. A summary of these policies follows:

1. Organization of the Board.

Five members of the Amache Advisory School Board will be appointed by the project director. The chairman of the board shall be designated by the project director. Their qualifications and tenure shall be subject to the approval of the project director.



2. Executive Officer of the Advisory School Board.

The executive officer of the board of education shall be the Superintendent of Education.

3. Authority, duties and responsibilities of administrative head of the school to be discussed at the next meeting.

4. Officially designated spokesman for the board. The officially designated spokesman for the advisory school board shall be the chairman.

5. Advisory School Board Meetings.

a. The Advisory School Board will convene at 2:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month. Special meetings may be called upon notification by the chairman of the Advisory School Board in which case all members of the board and the administrative head of the school will be informed at least one day in advance of the convening date.

b. Agenda

It shall be the responsibility of the Superintendent to draw up the agenda for the meetings of the Advisory School Board.

c. Minutes

It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Education to furnish clerical help necessary to secure accurate and complete minutes of each meeting. At least one complete and permanent copy of the school board minutes should be retained in the office of the Superintendent of Education.

d. Attendance of Administrative Head of the School.

The administrative head of the school shall attend all meetings of the Advisory School Board.

e. Committees

The Advisory School Board shall act as a committee as a whole, except on such occasions as the Advisory School Board may deem desirable when in regular session.

6. Legal Responsibility of Advisory School Board Members

Members of the Advisory School Board shall not individually be held responsible for actions taken by the Advisory School Board.



7. Provision for Professional Service in Administration

Professional services of doctors, dentists, nurses, psychiatrists, or other professionally qualified personnel may be requisitioned upon the vote of the Advisory School Board.

SCHEDULE OF NEXT  
MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for the first <sup>+</sup>Thursday of the month, June 3rd, at 2:30 P.M.

ADJOURNED

Meeting was adjourned at 4:15 P.M.



MEETING OF  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

June 3, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 2:30 P.M. on Thursday, June 3, with the following present:

Mr. Paul J. Terry	Dr. Takashi Terami
Mr. Masa Nakano	Mrs. Hama Yamasaki
Mrs. Alyce Ohama	

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed.

AVAILABILITY OF NEW  
SCHOOL BUILDING

Latest reports on the construction of the school indicate that work has been resumed by the contractor and that following the installation of the plumbing and lighting fixtures on June 19th, the auditorium would be available for High School Graduation.

Activities were scheduled as follows:

Baccalaureate	June 20th
Junior Prom	June 22nd
Commencement	June 24th

DEDICATION PROGRAM

Inasmuch as access to the auditorium will be impossible prior to graduation activities, it was felt that proposed dates for the dedication program should be postponed until the first week in July and that July 4th, Independence Day, should be recognized in the program. The Dedication Committee will be approached in this regard.

ORGANIZATION OF F.F.A.  
CHAPTER

The Board was informed that final approval for the establishment of a F.F.A. Chapter has been received from the State Supervisor of Agricultural Education of The Colorado State Board for Vocational Education. Payment of \$2.00 to the Vocational Teacher in Agriculture was approved by the Board to cover partially the expenses incurred in attending the State Conference of Instructors in Vocational Agriculture in Denver. Claim will be made to the State Board for Vocational Education for partial reimbursement of this travel expense.

N.Y.A. TRAINING CENTERS

As a result of a communication recently received from our Washington office, the center was informed that the National Youth Administration found it unfeasible to continue the agreement previously reached with WRA regarding the training of evacuees at NYA training centers. It was felt that alternative training plans would be worked out eventually.



SHORTAGE OF JAPANESE  
AMERICAN TEACHERS

In an attempt to secure Japanese American teachers to replace resident teachers who have left or are planning to leave, the following steps will be taken: (1) Send out letters to all Education Section personnel asking them to furnish names of eligible teachers in the center whom they may know; and (2) have a representative appear at the meeting of the block managers the latter part of June and solicit their assistance in locating qualified Japanese American teachers.

POLICIES OF ADVISORY  
SCHOOL BOARD

The board formally adopted the policies discussed at the last meeting on May 20th and outlined in the minutes of that meeting with exceptions noted below:

- (a) Item 2, Executive Officer of the Advisory School Board to read: "The executive officer of the Advisory School Board shall be the Superintendent of Education."
- (b) Item 5 (a). "At 2:30 P.M." deleted.
- (c) Item 5 (e), Committees to read: "The Advisory School Board shall act as a committee as a whole, except on such occasions as the Board may deem desirable when in regular session."

Discussion was resumed on the formulation of additional policies of the Advisory School Board. A summary of the decision of the board on the following points in "Suggested Items to Include in Board Policies" follows:

- 3. Administrative Head of the School; authority, duties, and responsibilities.

Item 3 was adopted to read as follows: "The Superintendent of Education shall assume such authority, duties and responsibilities as outlined in WRA Administrative Instruction No. 23, and assigned to him by the project director, and such other authority, duties and responsibilities as shall be designated to him by the advisory school board.

- 8. Discussion of Policies pertaining to the selection and employment, of appointed personnel followed.  
No final decision was reached.

SCHEDULE OF NEXT  
MEETING

The next meeting of the Board will be held at 2:30 P.M. on July 1st.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:15



MEETING OF  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

July 1, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 2:30 P.M. on Thursday, July 1, with the following present:

Mr. Paul J. Terry	Dr. Takashi Terami
Mr. Masa Nakano	Mrs. Hama Yamasaki
Mrs. Alyce Ohama	

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed.

COMMENCEMENT  
ACTIVITIES

Members of the board commented on -- Commencement activities of the past week which included 134 Sixth Graders promoted to Junior High School, 170 Junior High School students promoted to Senior High School, and 174 Senior High School students graduated.

DONATION

Attention of the board was called to a donation of \$2.00 from the Pastor of the Seventh Day Adventist group here at the center as a token of appreciation for the use of the projector belonging to the schools. The Board approved the acceptance of this donation by the schools and the placement of this money in the fund originally started by a donation from the Merced Assembly group. This is used as a loan fund to various student organizations in the school, thus enabling them to attend State meetings and make public appearances which otherwise would be impossible.

RELEASING THE  
AUDITORIUM TO  
OTHER GROUPS

The board discussed the advisability of leasing the facilities of the auditorium to the Recreation Department for the purpose of showing movies. Release of the auditorium two nights a week at \$7.50 per night was approved. The Recreation Department was granted permission to hold a dance in the auditorium as a part of their carnival program scheduled for July 9, 10, and 11.



REPORT ON FINANCIAL  
FUND

A report on this fund indicated the following to date:

RECEIPTS

Merced Assembly group	\$ 77.00
Amache Recreation Assoc.	10.00
Reimbursement from Music Dept.	25.00
Mr. Sueichi Okamura, in memory of his son.	25.00
Seventh Day Adventist group	2.00
	<u>\$ 139.00</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

State Music Festival at Pueblo - Attendance of Amache Students	47.80
L. J. Burgert, Ag. Teacher, State Conference Expenses	2.00
	<u>\$ 49.80</u>

BALANCE ON HAND (7-1-43) \$ 89.20

CONTRIBUTION TOWARD  
PURCHASE OF RECORDER

A request for a contribution of \$25.00 to be used in the purchase of a recorder for the schools, by the Music Department, was referred to the board for consideration. Reverend Chapman of Denver has offered \$100 toward this item, the purchase price of which is approximately \$170.

The board unanimously agreed that the recorder would be of considerable value to the schools and that \$25.00 should be contributed toward its purchase.

DEDICATION OF SCHOOL  
BUILDING

Final arrangements have been made regarding the dedication program which will take place at 8:00 P.M. on July 2, 1943 in the auditorium of the new school building.

A pageant entitled "Better Americans Through Education" will be presented as a part of the dedicatory program. Students in the nursery school, kindergarten, elementary, junior and senior high schools, and adult groups will participate in the program. A special feature of the program will be the administration of the Oath of Allegiance to the United States to youth who have reached the age of twenty-one in the last twelve months. Also, the project director will administer the charge to the newly elected Community Council.



REORGANIZATION OF THE  
EDUCATION SECTION

Effective July 1st the Junior and Senior High Schools will be consolidated as a secondary school with Mr. Herbert K. Walther, assuming responsibilities of Principal. Miss Grace Lewis has been appointed Vocational Advisor. Mr. S. Clay Coy, who during the past year has acted as Principal of the Senior High School, has resigned to accept a position as principal of the Grand Junction High School. Under the new reorganization plan the Education Section will function as a department of Community Management.

SCHEDULE OF NEXT  
MEETING

The next meeting of the board will be held at 2:30 P.M. on Thursday, July 15th.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M.



MEETING OF  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD  
of  
AMACHE SCHOOLS

July 20, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 2:30 P.M. on Tuesday, July 20, 1943 with the following present:

Mr. Paul J. Terry	Dr. Takashi Terami
Mr. Masa Nakano	Mrs. Hama Yamasaki
Mrs. Alyce Ohama	

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed.

Mrs. Inez Johnson Lewis, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, was guest visitor at the meeting of the board and extended a few words of greeting.

RELEASING SCHOOL  
BUILDINGS TO OTHER  
GROUPS

The rules for the use of school buildings were presented to the board for their approval, and they were unanimously adopted.

DENTAL FACILITIES  
IN THE SCHOOLS

The problem of establishing a room to be used by dentists and the school nurse in examining school children was brought to the attention of the board who decided to remodel one of the shower rooms in SH and equip it as a office.

PLACE OF MEETING

It was agreed that future meetings of the board would be held in Room 29 in the High School.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the board will be held on Thursday, August 5th, at 2:30 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.



MEETING OF  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD  
of  
AMACHE SCHOOLS

August 5, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 2:30 P.M. on Thursday, August 5, 1943, in Room 29 at the High School, with the following present:

Mr. Paul J. Terry	Mrs. Alyce Ohama
Dr. George Nagamoto	Dr. Takashi Terami
Mr. Masa Nakano	Mrs. Hama Yamasaki

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed.

RELEASING SCHOOL  
BUILDING TO OTHER  
GROUPS

Mr. Terry discussed at some length the revised method of utilization of the school auditorium by various agencies in the community. It was recently decided that fees collected for the use of the building will be turned in to the U. S. Treasury. School organizations, however, will not be charged for the use of the auditorium for school activities.

DENTAL FACILITIES  
IN THE SCHOOLS

Dr. Nagamoto presented a drawing of the dental clinic to be constructed in the shower rooms of 8H. The plans were approved by the board.

TEACHING STAFF

Mr. Terry informed the members of the board concerning the resignation of various teachers on the staff and stated that all vacancies should be filled by the time school starts.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 P.M. to reconvene at 2:30 P.M. on September 2nd, 1943.



MEETING  
of  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

September 2, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 2:30 PM on Thursday, September 2nd, 1943, in Room 29 at the High School, with the following present:

Mr. Paul J. Terry  
Dr. George Nagamoto  
Mrs. Alyce Ohama  
Dr. Takashi Terami

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed.

TEACHING STAFF

Mr. Terry explained to the members of the board the recruiting policy of the War Relocation Authority in cooperation with the Civil Service Commission.

The elementary school has been granted twenty teaching positions and the secondary school thirty-one teaching positions. The majority of these positions are now filled. Very few vacancies remain.

OPENING OF SCHOOL

The schools at Amache will open on Tuesday, September 7th, with the registration of students. The schools will be in session on a half-day basis during the first week and the regular full-day will be in effect at the beginning of the second week.

TULE LAKE TRANSFER

On the basis of a study of the number of persons being transferred from Tule Lake to Granada, it was estimated that approximately 270 children would be added to our present school enrollment.

SUMMER SCHOOL  
PROGRAM

A summary of the activities carried on during the summer was given.

95% of the regularly enrolled elementary pupils took part in the summer program. In spite of the difficulties encountered because of the remodeling of the school barracks during this period, a successful program was operated.

Summer school enrollment in the Secondary School was considerably lower than the regular enrollment because of work available within the center and outside.

It was felt that a more vitalized summer program--to distinguish between regular school and summer school--would prove more profitable and successful in the future.



ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 PM to reconvene at 2:30 PM on  
September 16, 1943.



MEETING  
of  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

September 23, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 2:30 P.M. on Thursday, September 23, 1943, in Room 29 at the High School, with the following present:

Mr. Paul J. Terry  
Dr. George Nagamoto  
Mrs. Alyce Ohama  
Dr. Takashi Terami

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Mr. Henry Suzukida, resident of the center, discussed with members of the board the establishment of a scholarship fund in the Amache Schools through the following methods: (1) Receipt of a \$1,000 fund set aside by Community Enterprise for the payment of license fees which were to be assessed the Community Enterprise by the Community Council. Since the license fees are not to be levied, it was suggested this fund might be allotted to a scholarship fund; (2) conversion of co-op cash sales into script sales to be credited to the Education Section; and (3) receipt of a part of the 5% of the gross profits realized through the operation of Community Enterprise which is set aside for "education" purposes.

It was unanimously agreed by the board that, since the center is faced with the acute necessity of establishing a scholarship fund for needy and deserving young people to attend college, the board would accept the responsibility of establishing and administering such a scholarship fund.

The following course of action was decided upon:

- (1) A designated member of the board will discuss with center organizations the establishment of such a fund on the dates indicated:

October 5 - Dr. Nagamoto will address the Community Council.

October 7 - Dr. Terami will address the Women's Federation and the Block Managers.

- (2) It was agreed that a series of articles should



appear in The PIONEER calling to the attention of the public the number of 1943 graduates, Merced and Santa Anita graduates, who desired to continue their education but because of lack of finances were unable to do so; that limited incomes resulting from evacuation do not permit parents to give students the financial assistance they would normally have been able to offer; and that providing an opportunity for students to continue with higher learning will develop future leadership.

- (3) The final step will be the formal announcement in The PIONEER that the Advisory School Board has decided to establish a scholarship fund and that donations are in order.

At the next meeting of the board the members will review the progress being made on the establishment of this fund.

POSTPONED UNTIL  
NEXT MEETING

Discussion of the following topics was postponed until the next meeting: (1) Appointment of two persons to replace Mrs. Yamasaki and Mr. Nakano on the Advisory School Board; and (2) appointment of a library committee.

SCHEDULE OF NEXT  
MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled at 2:30 P.M. on October 7, 1943.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M.



MEETING  
of  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

October 7, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 2:30 P.M. on Thursday, October 7, 1943, in Room 29 at the High School, with the following present:

Mr. Paul J. Terry  
Mrs. Alyce Ohama  
Dr. Takashi Terami

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed.

FINANCIAL FUND

The attention of the board was called to a donation of \$5.00 from Mrs. T. Shiina, 6H-1-D, Amache, in appreciation of accommodations extended to her during the time of her husband's funeral. The board approved the acceptance of this donation by the schools and the placement of this money in the fund originally started by a donation from the Merced Assembly group. Through this fund loans are made to various student organizations in the school, enabling them to attend State meetings and make public appearances which otherwise would be impossible. These student organizations are asked to repay loans from this fund as soon as possible. In this way the money continues to serve school students.

This fund now totaling \$76.70 will be deposited in the Amache Secondary School account at the Granada Bank, and will continue to be administered by the Advisory School Board.

PARENT-TEACHER  
ASSOCIATION

Members of the board were informed that the following would visit the center on October 11th: Mrs. O.C. Ufford, President of the Colorado Congress of Parents and Teachers, Mrs. Walter Buhlig, National Parent-Teacher Field Worker, Mrs. F. W. Hoppe, President of Lincoln P.T.A. in Lamar, and Mr. O. C. Ufford.

Because the parent-teacher relationship based upon the classroom unit proved highly successful during the past year, it was agreed that this type of organization should continue during the school year 1943-44.

BOARD OF CONSULTANTS

Organization of the Board of Consultants to the Education Section here at Amache was discussed. The following persons have indicated their willingness to serve as members of this Board:

Mrs. Inez Johnson Lewis  
State Superintendent of Public Instruction  
State Department of Education  
Denver, Colorado



Mr. Fred M. Betz, Editor  
Lamar Daily News  
Lamar, Colorado

Mr. Frank Gill  
Hillrose, Colorado

Dean Alfred C. Nelson  
University of Denver  
Denver, Colorado

Reverend Raymond Wasser  
First Plymouth Congregational Church  
East 14th Avenue and Lafayette  
Denver, Colorado

Official letters of appointment will be sent to these persons, and, if possible, the first meeting of the Board of Consultants will be scheduled some time in November.

#### LIBRARY CONSULT- ING BOARD

Mr. William Easton, Librarian, discussed with the board the organization of a Library Consulting Board. A review was made of the functions of a board of this nature, such as: making known to the librarians the different reading levels of the residents of the center, the establishment of branch libraries in various areas throughout the center, promotion of interest and enthusiasm in utilizing library facilities, and offering suggestions regarding the physical plant.

It was felt that such a board could render a much desired service, and steps would be taken to establish a board.

#### SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The ban placed upon group gatherings made it impossible for members of the board to make the contacts agreed upon at the last meeting of the board. However, when these restrictions are lifted, the course of action to follow in the establishment of a scholarship fund, which was decided upon by the Advisory School Board, will be resumed.

#### POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT MEETING

Further discussion of the appointment of two persons to replace Mrs. Yamasaki and Mr. Nakano as members of the Advisory School Board was postponed until the next meeting.

#### DEPARTURE OF MR. TERRY

Mr. Terry, Superintendent of Education, Amache Schools, discussed with the members his entry into the United States Naval Reserve, and indicated that his last day of duty as Superintendent would be October 9th, 1943.

His successor as yet has not been appointed.

#### SCHEDULE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the board will be called at the request of the newly appointed Superintendent of Education.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M.



MEETING  
of  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

November 4, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, November 4, 1943, in room 29 at the High School, with the following present:

Dr. Lloyd Garrison  
Mrs. Alyce Ohama  
Dr. Takashi Terami

It was suggested that the reading of the minutes be omitted since all members had received copies, making it unnecessary.

NEW BOARD  
MEMBERS

The Board Members present agreed to present the names of a number of people for consideration at the next meeting for the present vacancies on the Board.

LIBRARY

The organization and operation of the present library was discussed, and it was agreed that a desirable location for a community library center would be in the 2nd block in connection with the Adult Education Program under Mr. Gordon's direction.

It was also agreed that the Library Board should be composed of the Members of the Advisory School Board plus two additional representatives from the community at large with Mr. Easton and Mr. Gordon acting as consultants. The names of possible members of this Board are to be presented at the next meeting.

TEACHING  
PERSONNEL

It was reported that most of the Appointed Teaching Personnel will be completed within the next month, since recommendations for employment to fill existing vacancies have been made. It was also reported that considerable difficulty had been experienced in securing the service of evacuee teachers, since many of these people are the first to be moved in the Relocation Program.

FOOTBALL

The point of view of the School Officials concerning the sponsoring of a High School football team was discussed, including the following points:

1. The excessive cost of equipping and transporting a large enough group of boys to make a successful football team.



2. The difficulty in securing a desirable schedule at such a late date.

3. Since the informal organization of teams composed of boys, both in and out of school, has already been composed, the operation of a school program would place these groups in an embarrassing position.

4. The movement for football was started at too late a date to permit proper training and conditioning of the team and the development of proper attitude in the school at large.

#### CIVIC FORUM PROGRAM

It was reported that a number of people in the community had made inquiries about the establishment of a Civic Forum Program again this year. The Members present agreed that such a Program was desirable, and that it should be carried out under the recreation division with the support of the education section.

#### FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

A report was also made on the action taken by the Division of Vocational Education of the Colorado State Department of Education in the connection of our application for a Charter as a Chapter of the National Organization of the Future Farmers of America.

A money order was received which was returned by Mr. Tiemann. This money order had been sent in payment of membership and charter fees. Mr. Tiemann's letter stated that the National Council had refused to grant a chapter to the local school. Further action will be taken by the Superintendent and the Director of the Project to secure the installation of this chapter by contacting the proper authorities.

#### BLOCK REPRESENTATIVES

A proposal of the Parent Teacher Council to set up a system of block representative for education was presented by Mrs. Ohama. She stated that the Parent Teacher Council felt that such representation might be very helpful in securing the cooperation and active assistance of many parents in the school program.

After considerable discussion, it was decided, since this suggestion would require the naming of additional block representatives, it might not be too desirable, as many elected and appointed Block Representatives for various purposes are already in existence. Final decision in the matter was postponed until the next meeting.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M.



MEETING  
of  
ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

November 18, 1943

ATTENDANCE

The meeting of the Advisory School Board was called to order at 2:30 p.m. on November 18, 1943, in room 29 of the high school with the following members and visitor present:

Dr. Lloyd A. Garrison  
Mrs. Alyce Ohama  
Dr. Takashi Terami  
Mr. Herbert K. Walther

HIGH SCHOOL  
PROBLEMS

Upon invitation Mr. Herbert K. Walther, high school principal, presented several problems confronting the faculty and asked for suggestions as to what steps might be taken to remedy the situation.

1. Lack of cooperative feeling among the students.
2. Need for better boy and girl relationships.
3. Tendency of boys to repress girls who are rather well informed in discussions.

After much discussion, the suggestion was made that those students who were timid be given opportunities to meet in smaller social groups rather than in large gatherings and that careful guidance be given to discussion groups by the faculty.

NEW BOARD  
MEMBERS

Dr. Terami presented the names of several persons for consideration for vacancies on the Board. They are:

Mr. Seijiro Okuno, 9L-5-C  
Graduate of the University of California

Mr. Ichiji Akahoshi, 6F  
Graduate of Stanford University

Mr. Kawasaki  
A recent arrival from Tule Lake

The decision was made that Dr. Terami would approach Mr. Kawasaki first to ask him to serve on the Board, and in the event that he should decline, Mr. Akahoshi would be asked. Mr. Okuno has already expressed his willingness to serve.

LIBRARY  
BOARD

Persons recommended by Dr. Terami for the Library Board are:



Dr. Tatsuhiko Miyamoto  
Mr. Yutaka Kubota  
Suyeo Sako  
Hannah Uno

It was agreed that Mr. William A. Easton, librarian, would write to these people inviting them to serve on the Library Board with three members of the Advisory Board.

APPOINTED  
PERSONNEL  
VACANCIES

Mr. Gerald Griffith, instructor in agriculture, will be transferred to the Internal Security Division of the center so there will have to be someone to replace him.

Other vacancies to be filled are the position of mathematics instructor in the high school, since Miss Muriel Beck has applied for a transfer to the Washington office of the War Manpower Commission, and the position of commercial instructor which has never been filled.

In the elementary school Mr. Lawrence G. Faulkner has been secured as assistant principal and 6th grade teacher. Mrs. Mary Hammond will be transferred to the high school but we already have a replacement for her.

DR. ADE'S  
VISIT

Dr. Lester K. Ade, director of education of the WRA, will be in Amache from December 2 to 6. It is desired that the Board meet with him sometime during his stay.

CONTRIBUTION  
TO SCHOLARSHIP  
FUND

A contribution of \$10 was made to the scholarship fund by Henry Suzukida. A note from Dr. George Nagamoto accompanying the check explained that Mr. Suzukida was given the money as assistance toward furthering his own education but that he preferred to donate it to the scholarship fund.

DENTAL CLINIC

Dr. Garrison reported that a meeting with Dr. Noonan of the hospital took place regarding the school dental clinic. It was discovered that there was a misunderstanding concerning the charging of supplies and equipment used by the clinic. The Education Section was under the impression that only the salary of dentists was to be charged to Education, while the hospital contended that supplies and equipment also were to be added.

The dental clinic is ready for operation as soon as both dentists report for work. As yet, only one dentist has reported.

SOUTHERN COLO-  
RADO ATHLETIC  
ASSOCIATION

Report of the Southern Colorado Athletic Association meeting held in Lamar on November 16 was given by Dr. Garrison. Application for membership in the athletic



league was made, but because of unfavorable reaction from several quarters, it was withdrawn with the request that the record of the request and all discussion concerning it be stricken from the minutes. It was agreed that the action was wise in that we could do more toward creating good will and making a favorable impression on the outside public by treating visiting teams courteously and in a friendly manner in Amache rather than in antagonizing the representatives of those schools by forcing a vote at the meeting.

Reactions of some of the representatives were as follows:

Granada:	Very favorable.
Holly:	Non-committal.
Las Animas:	Could not vote favorably without the consent of the local school board.
La Junta:	Was very favorable, but because of the large group of servicemen usually in attendance at games in La Junta, thought it unwise. Could not promise to control the actions of the soldiers.

CONSULTANTS

A suggestion was presented that people who are well qualified in their particular fields be brought in to the center to give expert advice regarding problems in the schools.

SCHOLARSHIP  
FUND

Ways and means of raising money for the Amache Scholarship Fund will be discussed at the next meeting when Dr. Ade will be present.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.