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COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING

Present were: DWSC(Eric Tang), NY Asian Women's Center(Kathy Kuang), Chinese Staff Association(Gwen Moi), Director of AAS(Peter Kwong), APSA(Lea Geronimo, Minette Hinonangan), LOTUS(Susana Joenarti), AAWW(Doug Lee), Audrey Tsui(Hunter Student), Alumni(Kelly Nishimura, Sandy Yee).

1. Meeting was called to order 7:15 p.m.
2. Prof. Kwong reviewed the points of the 1st and 2nd Community Advisory Board Meetings (10/29 and 12/9/93).
3. The purpose of the forums are to provide an arena to air important issues concerning the Asian American communities. and to link the Asian American Studies Program with the community.
4. Topics of Forums:
 - 1) Asian American Writers
 - AAWW Local NY area Conference (November)
 - LOTUS offers opportunities to new writers
 - APA Journal will have a 2 day conference on new writers and their writings
 - 2) Asian American Films and the Industry
 - Peter Chao of Asian Cinevision
 - Series of lectures on Asian/Asian American Film
 - Film Department Producers and Directors
 - 3) Foreign Language Newspapers Conference
 - discuss and develop ways to bridge the information gap between communities, to share information outside of the community
 - Newsletter? How can this be made possible
 - Emergency Action Committee to hold press conferences
 - need to have spokespeople who can act as interpreters with the groups' perspective of situation that come to the attention of the mass media

- 4) Labor and Immigration Issues
 - clear discussions on rights of undocumented workers and workers (Gov. Wilson's suspension of constitutional rights, Silver Palace and Hispanic workers, etc.)
 - Chinese Staff Workers Association
 - AALDEF
 - Center for Immigration Rights

- 5) Women's Conference
 - AA Community
 - NYAWC (New York Asian Women's Center)
 - DWSC
 - issues of the empowerment of women (update with Sandy Yee, and Women's Project)
 - Archival theme/media (A magazine, Journal)
 - Chinese immigrant women (CSWA)
 - Oral History - Yuri Kachiyama
 - *Women's Studies at Hunter Conference March 12, 1994**

There is as yet no set dates for the forums except for the Women's Studies Conference at Hunter March 12, 1994. We will keep you up to date on future meetings and events.