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Meeting Minutes

March 27, 2020, 6:30pm to 7:30pm

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Attachments:

- APIs CAN Public Statement
- Draft Op-ed in response to Seth Moulton's Co-sponsorship of H.Res 907

Staff present: Jenny Chiang, Jessica Wong

1. Approval of op-ed on H.Res. 907

- Danielle asked what strategy would we like to pursue? It could be a lengthy or short depending on who we are targeting.
- We need to expediate the process while this is still relevant
- Sam believes Vira submitted a short version that is succinct and to the point
- Meena brought up a need for an assigned media person in the future
- Danielle brought up that letters to the editor must respond to an existing article, which limits which outlets we can send it to
- Meena recommends to defer to the Chair and Vice Chair to consolidate the different statements and voices.
- Bora motions to approve the version submitted by Vira on Moulton's statement, Mabel seconds.
 - Yes: Philjay, Vira, Meena, Vanna, Sam, Danielle, Bora, Mabel, Betty, Ying
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Vira brought up interest in having a joint letter with Leverett Wing

2. Approval of AAC support on APIs CAN Public Statement on COVID-19

- Betty expressed concerns that it comes across as partisan. It is a very broad statement that hits many different points. Betty shared the statement is happening to all communities, not just Asian Americans.
- Bora expresses that signing on would indicate that we are backing their statement as a Commission.
- Meena motions to approve AAC signing onto the APIs CAN public statement, Mabel seconds
 - Yes: Philjay, Vira, Meena, Vanna, Sam, Danielle, Bora, Mabel
 - No: Betty
 - Motion passed

3. Meeting adjourned