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### Minutes from Town Hall Meeting on April 24, 2010

- The President discussed the importance of holding the meetings at various locations to motivate participation. In addition to that, he was open to suggestions or recommendation regarding the location of the next Town Hall meeting. He stated, "The Town Hall meetings are pivotal because (they) allow us to get constructive feedback on how we can further progress LACOSC."
- Financial updates will be on the website.
- The President discussed the creation of two committees:
  1. Bereavement Committee
  2. Financial Committee
- Information was provided on two upcoming events:
  1. Memorial Day Program for the Memorial Day holiday
  2. Liberian Independence Day Program scheduled for July 24<sup>th</sup>

#### Membership, Recruiting and Paying Dues:

- Dues will be \$100.00 annually per household, which can be paid in two installments of \$50.00. The first installment deadline is June 30<sup>th</sup> of the current year, and the second installment is due before the end of the current year.
- The website will be set up so that individuals can make payments via the web. There is also a P.O. Box available for mailing dues.
- Voting rights will be extended to only members who are current on their dues.

#### Open Forum:

- Participants expressed the need to be able to see where their monies will be allocated.
- Participants expressed the need for the LACOSC to see the importance of paying their dues and having people participate.
- Participants want the LACOSC to have a defined purpose and objective.
- Participants expressed the need to have an active and up to date website.
- Community members want to know if LACOSC have any plans for the scholarship program.
- Community members want to see where the previous scholarship fund went.
- Pastor Burns wants to support the organization.

#### Tips/Suggestions gathered from the Town Hall Meeting:

- Develop an agenda template that we can use at all events. The template should have contact information including the P.O. Box to receive payment information and the web site address.
- Develop a robust website and make it a one stop shop with all LACOSC information, fund allocation, templates, Pay Pal, current news...etc...
- Breakdown percentage of how every dollar is allocated to all areas of LACOSC.





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