



## CHINESE LANGUAGE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF HAWAII

“CLEAH”

### 夏威夷中文教育協會

CLEAH Meeting #2 for the School Year 2018-2019

1:20-2:10 pm, Sunday, 2/17, 2019, at Asia Pacific International School

PRESENT: Lisa ASAKURA, BAI Na, Yen CHUN, Yijun DING, Ivy HOU, JIANG Wenyan, Joyce LEUNG, Zhang LI, Louisa LI, LI Simin “Fiona”, Rebecca LIN, LIU Meiyi, Elisa LO, Cyndy NING, Fei RAO, Vivi RIS, Lynette SHIMABUKURO, Jialin “Sunny” SUN, Taidje TANG, Mina TING, WANG Na, ZHANG Wei, ZHOU Ruifang “Rose”, ZHUANG Yi, Zheng ZHAI

1. Welcome new members: LIU Meiyi—Lingo Bus, Fei RAO—Island Pacific Academy, Mina TING-Hawaii Taiwan Educational Cultural Organization.
2. CLEAH checking account & CD balance; CLEAH dues: current dues are \$10 for students and \$15 for teachers annually; \$150 for lifetime members. The balances for our three accounts are listed below:

CD	\$5,000 (3 month term)
	\$5,000 (1 year term)
Checking	\$5,731.04
Total	\$15,731.04

For now, Cynthia Ning, Lisa Asakura, Ai-ju Lin (Rebecca Lin) and Ivy Hou (Tan-wen Hou) are the signers for the checking account and they are also assigned to be the signers of the two CD accounts.

3. 2019 Speech Competition: The competition will be held:

Time: Sunday, February 24, 2019, 1:30-3:30

Location: Moore Hall at UH-Manoa, Rooms 112 and 117.

The durations of the speeches is shortened from last year. High school groups will be held to one and a half minutes, and middle school groups to one minute maximum. The contestants will be asked one question related to their speeches and they must answer in Chinese. The talent show is optional (serves as a tie breaker). Next year the speech competition will be held on Sunday, January 26, 2020, which will be much earlier than in the past, before the South-west Regional Preliminary Competition

announces its topic. Although our local students will be assigned a different topic from the regional competition, if a student is selected to compete, s/he will have ample time to prepare.

4. 2018 Dictation Contest: CI reported that there was a record-breaking number of students participating in the contest in October. On the extended round, there was a dispute over the accuracy of one traditional character shown on the board. CI has been working on the vocab lists for the next year and will send out to members for proof reading. The finalized lists will be the guideline for the judges of the contest next year, which is scheduled on Sunday, October 27, 2019.
5. Calligraphy Contest: In the past the CI has also held a calligraphy contest, alternating with the dictation and speech contests. This year, a change is suggested: In the fall, we will ask teachers to mail in their students' best work, anonymously, and have a panel of judges select several outstanding pieces. These pieces will be exhibited during the dictation contest, and awards will be presented to the winners at the same time as the prizes for the dictation contest. So please keep an eye out for possible submissions!
6. CI has a special page display in the 中国日报 on the first weekend of each month. CLEAH member teachers are encouraged to send excellent student written work to ZHAI Zheng laoshi at <zzhai@hawaii.edu>. The selected work may appear in the newspaper. This would be a wonderful memento to the student, for their Chinese studies.
7. CLEAH Retreat: A big thanks to our member Vivi Ris from the Asia Pacific International School and her administration for kindly hosting this PD event and providing the delicious breakfast and lunch. We decided to make the retreat an annual event, on the Sunday before President's Day. Mark your calendars for the 2020 CLEAH Retreat! Please contact any of the CLEAH officers if you are interested hosting next year. We already have a tentative offer from Le Jardin Academy in Kailua—thank you, Lynette Shimabukuro and ZHANG Li laoshi!

Submitted by Ai-ju Lin