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**Minutes for 4/23/04 Conference Call
1 – 1:45 pm PST / 4 – 4:45 pm EST**

Future calls to be held on the third Friday of every month at 12:30pm PST/3:30pm EST

Attendees:

Geraldine Aglipay, Nadine Chan, Gem Daus, Gilbert Gee, Leslie Hsu, David Inoue, Nadia Islam

= follow-up task

PACIFIC

I. Membership/Communications (Leslie, David)

Listservers

The current APIC listserv uses Topica. However, messages are prefaced by ads for menthol tobacco products. Gem sent a letter from API Health Forum and Gil sent a message to Topica regarding the intolerable tobacco ads. We decided to switch our listserv to YAHOO groups, instead.

We will email current listserv, Topica, notifying them the reason for switch is the menthol ads placed atop each email message. We will also tell APIC members of change.

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II. Awards

David will send message to listserv to take nominations and interest from others who want to be on selection committee.

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III. Update on White House API Initiative

The Executive Order has yet to be signed.

IV. APHA Program

Currently, we have 7 abstract submissions from which the original Advocacy session will select. Rod Lew and Butch have requested a separate session that will be more of a panel discussion than a series of presentations. The aim is to promote advocacy of students at schools of public health.

Should we have more than one session on Advocacy, where one session is the standard series of presentations, and the other session is a seminar/discussion format? Or should we forgo one or the other?

The potential sessions for the Meeting could look like this:

1 for South Asians

1 for Environment

1 for Rod and Butch's Advocacy

Special Anniversary Session from 6pm-8pm on Sunday, opening day of APHA's Meeting

Will request to move Special Session from 4:30pm-6:30pm to avoid conflict with other caucus meetings.

Business meeting on Tuesday.

V. Mentoring Session

Nadia will ask Rod about hooking in a mentoring session/segment into his advocacy session.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Nadine L. Chan

