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## Meeting Agenda

**Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

**One Ashburton Place, 12th Floor**

1. Review of 5/8 & 5/16 minutes.
2. Post-dinner debriefing  
Discussion on next year's dinner and healthcare theme  
Establish Commissioners' expectations to be included in the manual
3. Understanding the financials  
Identifying funding opportunities
4. Initiatives  
Resource Fair – Chinatown festival 6/24 and Lowell Water festival 8/18  
Young Leader Symposium 9/21  
Healthcare ideas for 2013?
5. New business  
Old Business
6. Next Commission meeting: **Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup> Treasurer's Office**



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## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Office of the State Treasurer

Absent Commissioners are highlighted on left.

1. Review of March minutes
  - Yan Jennifer Cao motioned to accept March minutes, seconded by Kay Dong. Motion carried by a unanimous vote
2. 2012 Unity Dinner, Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>  
Keynote Honoree: Nitin Nohria, Dean of Harvard Business School  
Co-Chair: Vinit Nijhawan, Managing Director of BU's Technology Development  
Co-Chair: Om Ganda, Senior Physician at Joslin Diabetes Center  
Co-Chair: Francis Chin, Immigration Attorney
  - We are working to secure a 509(a)1 tax status.
3. Discussion on updating the bylaws to allow flexibility in reaching quorum.  
Discussion on OML allowing remote participation.
  - Karen Tseng motioned to adopt remote participation, second by Priti Rao. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.
  - We will have a short meeting at 5:30pm before the Unity Dinner to discuss bylaws amendments to lower the quorum requirement.
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Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Boston University - George Sherman Union

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1. Discussion to amend the bylaws to lower quorum from majority to one-third.  
Vote to lower quorum.
  - Geoffrey Why motioned to lower quorum, seconded by Om Ganda. Opposed by Chris Chanyasulkit.
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**Upcoming Events**, visit [www.8centric.org](http://www.8centric.org) for a full schedule

CPA Chinese Progressive Association

Friday, 18 May 2012 05:00pm

35th Anniversary Banquet

AACA Asian American Civic Association

Friday, 18 May 2012 05:00pm

Annual Gala

QARI Quincy Asian Resources, Inc.

Friday, 18 May 2012 06:30pm - 10:00pm

5th Annual Community Banquet

GBCGAC Greater Boston Chinese Golden Age Center

Wednesday, 23 May 2012 06:00pm - 09:00pm

40th Anniversary Banquet

## Bylaws (pg.9)

Quorum:

A majority of the Commissioners currently holding office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of Commission business.

Amend the above sentence to:

Quorum:

**One-third** of the Commissioners currently holding office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of Commission business.