

Meeting Minutes of the Board of Directors;

Thurs., Sept 9th, 2010 in Winnipeg at 285 Pembina Hwy

The meeting was called into order at 7:35 pm.

All members of the Board were present at the meeting, except Mr. Shaeri, without notice.

The minutes of the last meeting of Aug. 26 was accepted by all present members with some minor corrections.

A motion was made by Mr. Saleh-Azad to correct the last meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Azizkhani; 5 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

The current meeting's agenda was accepted by the present members.

A motion was made by Mr. Kermani to accept the current agenda. Seconded by Mr. Azizkhani; 5 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

Mr. Azizkhani reviewed the ICM's financial statements reporting the *Total Revenue* of **\$2736.97**, and *Total Expenses* of **\$3632.57** leading to *Net Loss* of **\$895.60** during the period of April 1st to Sept. 7th 2010. ICM's balance sheet shows a *Total Equity* of **\$5913.47** as of Sept. 7th, 2010.

A motion was made by Mr. Azizkhani accepting ICM's financials for the above mentioned period. Seconded by Mr. Kamrouz; 5 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Mr. Doustshenas to add dates to ICM's Project Income Summary in order to clarify the year of every project. Seconded by Mr. Saleh-Azad; Due to excessive discussions and shortage of time, this motion is not approved and tabled for the next meeting.

Communications and Correspondence:

Mr. Saleh-Azad reported that the companies Office's registration update is done and being processed. He also mentioned about the Nowruz letter which was on hold due to current political situation and will be sent to officials as soon as the accompanying cover letter is prepared.

Mr. Azizkhani reported that although he had found some rules about the services ICM provides might be rebated by CRA, but still those who obtain receipts from either PLC lessons or Sports activities must claim for the credits through their accountants or tax return providers. Because CRA rules keep changing and the amounts, length of services, frequency, and other factors may affect their eligibility to apply for rebate.

Chairs of the committees were reminded to use ICM's new receipt form to issue receipts for all the people who use our services with a printed receipts numbered on top, and duplicated.

Mr. Kermani reported that since he is a member of the Eagles Club, he could be able to book the Club's location for Mehregan celebration. He also, informed about the cost of ICM's new webhosting service (Bluehost) of being \$102.47 for two years.

Mr. Doustshenas will be notifying the list of the new contact members to Multiculturalism office. He also mentioned about the collection and organization of the previous Board's policies and motions which is still in progress and he will report to the present Board soon.

Mr. Kamrouz reported that there have been a number of logos received from people and they will be emailed to Board members to view. Picnic pictures are also scanned and ready to be published on the ICM site but it is held over due to ongoing website design and the idea of outsourcing our pictures to other supporting sites. There were two emails: one from a lady in Iran requesting information about the universities in Manitoba which was referred to UMISA site; the second was from a member who informed that he has sent his payment for the Mehregan tickets through mail.

Committees' Reports:

PLC:

Mr. Kamrouz reported that they are still waiting to hear from the Winnipeg School Division to finalize the approval of the day and hours of the classes to be given for Persian Language lessons at Kelvin High school. Classes are supposed to start on Sept. 11. They keep calling them to get an answer or cancel the classes for this week. He also mentioned about Mrs. Zebarjadian, one of PLC committee members' resignation and they are looking for more volunteers, either as teacher assistance or working in the committee.

Sports:

An updated version of the Questionnaire has been sent to players and some of them are returned registering in the ongoing soccer games on Sundays.

Events:

Ms. Mazloumi reported about the tickets being printed and will be distributed soon for Mehregan. The details of this event will be organized by Event's committee with a precise schedule, dance, music and different programs. Tickets are priced as \$10 for Non-members, \$5 for members and \$2 for children between 2 to 10 years old. It is noticed that tickets had no disclaimer on the back, and it was too late to change them since a number of tickets were sold already. It was noted that the Super Tehran store will be sponsoring our Mehregan event by providing some gift cards. There has to be another reminder to be sent to people towards the end of September.

It was reiterated that even though a team of volunteers are assisting Ms. Mazloumi running the events, but Board members should also help this committee as much as they can afford to.

Membership:

There were some complaints from people about ICM's membership form on the website not being printable or fillable. Mr. Shaeri will be notified to look into this.

Settlement:

Mr. Saleh-Azad is still trying to find a suitable date for their committee meeting. Members are working on the committee's TOR, and their plan to prepare a pamphlet for new-comers, use of Welcome Place's sample pamphlet is still on hold until further notice.

Art, Culture, and Education:

This committee has had its meeting with some progress in appointing various positions to members and they are working on their TOR and Code of Ethics. They are also working on different projects such as "Poetry Night", and music classes.

NEW Business:

A motion was made by Mr. Doustshenas for the purpose of printing tickets for ICM events for the children between the ages of 10 to 18 whose parents are member of the ICM pay the low member price as their parents. Seconded by Mr. Saleh-Azad; 5 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Mr. Kermani to host the "Poetry Night" in November, date to be determined, subject to the Board's approval. Seconded by Mr. Azizkhani; 5 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday Sep. 23rd**, 7:30 pm at 285 Pembina Hwy.

Meeting was adjourned around 10:30 pm.