

Meeting Minutes of the Board of Directors;

Thursday, September 23rd, 2010 in Winnipeg at 285 Pembina Hwy

The meeting was called into order at 7:45 pm, due to parking difficulties.

All members of the Board were present at the meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of Sept. 9 was approved by all present members with some corrections.

A motion was made by Mr. Saleh-Azad to correct the last meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Azizkhani; 6 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; 6 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

Financial statements will be prepared by Mr. Azizkhani in the next regular meeting.

Communications and Correspondence:

Integrating Harvest Food Bank program into our Mehregan celebration was welcomed by members. It was emphasized that in the email to be sent to people it should be mentioned that they need to check the expiry date on all non-perishable foods.

There was a voicemail from Ms. Towfigh who was willing to post an ad on ICM website inviting Persian-language speaking pregnant women to an informative seminar.

A motion was made by Mr. Saleh-Azad to approve the request by Ms. Towfigh in order to place an ad in the ICM's website. Seconded by Mr. Azizkhani; 6 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

Mr. Nobahar's business ad will be posted in the ICM website in appreciation of his effortless job assisting with ICM events and collecting donations for ICM.

It was suggested and accepted by all members to occasionally have a private party with all volunteers to appreciate their time and energy put into ICM activities and events.

Due to recent complaints from Kelvin high school, regarding missing items in the classes, there won't be any other meeting or gathering at their facilities other than Persian classes, since it is contracted and supposed to be used by PLC only, until further notice.

Committees' Reports:

Sports:

Mr. Azizkhani informed that the contract with JDC to use their indoor gym for the next 20 weeks starting from mid-October has been signed and they were paid as approved by the Board.

Events:

Ms. Mazloumi reported about the progress of the Mehregan celebration with the new email prepared by her announcing the timing breakdown and more details about the program. This email will be sent along with "Harvest Food Bank" invitation asking people to bring non-perishable canned and packaged foods.

Ms. Mazloumi and Mr. Azizkhani were volunteered to be MC's in the events, with a brief announcement of ICM's future events by Mr. Kermani and introducing the Board members.

3 people were volunteered: Mr. Doustshenas, Mr. Saleh-Azad, and Mr. Kamrouz to be in charge of the security of the Mehregan event, and controlling people from distributing commercial and non-commercial pamphlet among the guests.

Membership:

Two people have recently joined ICM, raising the number of members to be 94. Also, Mr. Taleghani has reinstated his membership for 2010 and has signed up for his membership in 2011.

Art, Culture, and Education:

A motion was made by Mr. Kermani to recognize the newly established Art, Culture and Education committee to continue its operation as Discussion Group, temporarily, until further notice. Seconded by Mr. Doustshenas; 6 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

Mr. Kermani reported that this group have so far established 2 sub-committees called “Art and Culture” and “Seminars and Education” with their own members and programs. For these sub-committees to be efficient and more productive, it was decided that they must report their activities to the Board directly.

A motion was made by Mr. Kermani for the ICM to sponsor a seminar hosted by ACE acting committee at the cost of \$150.00 on November 21st, 2010. Seconded by Mr. Doustshenas; 6 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Mr. Kermani for the ICM to sponsor a cultural night hosted by ACE acting committee as an “Art and Culture Festival” rather than “Poetry Night” sometime in November. Seconded by Mr. Saleh-Azad; 6 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Mr. Kermani to prepare and determine “TOR” and “Rules and Policies” for all future committees by the ICM Board. Consequently, committee members can make recommendations for potential amendments to be approved by the Board. Seconded by Mr. Saleh-Azad; 6 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

NEW Business:

A motion was made by Mr. Saleh-Azad to write a thank you letter to be prepared by Mr. Kamrouz and send it to both: Liz Belous and Mr. Brown, Winnipeg Board of Education’s Permit Clerk, and Kelvin High School Principal, respectively. Seconded by Mr. Azizkhani; 6 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

Mr. Shaeri reported about the progress of the ICM’s website design. The new site would be in a blog format using the Wordpress software with Persian language option to be chosen from the main menu.

The next meeting will be held with PLC Committee members on **Wednesday Sept. 29th**, 7:30 pm at 285 Pembina Hwy.

The above meeting was adjourned around 10:30 pm.