

Meeting Minutes of the ICM Board of Directors;

Thursday, May 12th, 2011 in Winnipeg at Kelvin High School

The meeting was called into order with the following six directors present: Mr. Kermani, Mr. Doustshenas, Mr. Azizkhani, Mr. Kamrouz, and Mr. Saleh-Azad at 7:10 pm. Ms. Shoostari was absent, and Mr. Jalili was present at the meeting as the ICM's financial auditor.

The current meeting's agenda was accepted by all members.

A motion was made by Mr. Kermani to accept the current agenda; Seconded by Mr. Doustshenas; 4 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Mr. Saleh-Azad to approve the Board meeting minutes of Apr. 28th, 2011; Seconded by Mr. Kamrouz; Few minor corrections; 4 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

Communications and Correspondence:

Mr. Jalili has accepted and has already performed the review of ICM's last year's books and records to be presented at the upcoming AGM. He has done so after informing him that the cost of reviewing ICM's financials would be beyond the Board's set budget in such short notice. In this meeting he presented his recommendations and adjustments to the financials and left the meeting afterwards.

Committees' Reports:

Persian Language Classes (PLC):

Mr. Kamrouz presented PLC's budget for the school year 2011-12 with a suggested increase on tuition fees to start paying the teachers and assistant teachers in order to guarantee their return to school next year. Since the suggested increase was a little too high, almost double, this budget was returned to PLC to be adjusted for a more realistic increase based on parents' affordability. The revised budget has to be presented to the Board for the final approval in its next meeting.

Art, Culture, and Education (ACE):

Seminar and AGM will be on schedule according to the plan, this Sunday May 15, and Mr. Kermani is supposed to ask the church's caretaker to see whether they accept setting up the chairs and tables for both events in the evening for a nominal charge.

Events:

It was estimated that the number of guests and their partners at the volunteers' appreciation party would not be more than 100 people. It seems that the allocated budget of \$400 will be spent and cover mostly the food cost, since the location cost, as well as drinks are donated to ICM by Mr. Saleh-Azad, NKCC's president.

A motion was made by Mr. Kermani to host the ICM's volunteers' appreciation night at NKCC on June 4th, 2011 at no charge to the guests; Seconded by Mr. Azizkhani; 4 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

MEAAC:

Mr. Doustshenas provided a quick report about his recent orientation meeting with the *Manitoba Ethnocultural Advisory and Advocacy Council*. This council consist of four standing committees, as well as a chair and a vice chair, for a total of 21 members, out of which 16 are elected and 4 are appointed by the Ministry. He mentioned that the members are usually getting together on Saturdays with their next meeting being on June 18th, 2011. He also reminded that there are a couple of government grants available under ethnocultural community support program, funded by Ministry of Multiculturalism which ICM has a good chance of being awarded providing that a detailed and well-thought proposals are presented and applied before the deadlines.

NEW Business:

A motion was made by Mr. Kermani to reimburse Mr. Azizkhani's printing costs which was used for ICM's financial documents from June 2009 to March 2011, by purchasing a cartridge to be paid by ICM for a maximum amount of \$120.00; Seconded by Mr. Saleh-Azad; 4 Approved, 0 Opposed, and 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday May 26th, 2011 at Kelvin High school.

The above meeting was adjourned around 9:55 pm.