

Meeting Minutes of the ICM Board of Directors
Thursday, July 21, 2011
285 Pembina Hwy

Attendance

Directors present: Mr. Kermani, Mr. Doustshenas, Mr. Kamrouz, Mr. Saleh-Azad, and Ms. Shooshtari
Regrets: None
Guests: Mr. Allen Ashkan Wise

The meeting was called into order at 7:12.
Mr. Kermani welcomed Mr. Wise for attending the meeting as a guest.

Accepting the meeting Agenda

Meeting agenda was approved as distributed.

Approval of the last meeting minutes:

Mr. Saleh-Azad made a motion to approve minutes of July 7th meeting. Seconded by Mr. Kamrouz. 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**
Minutes of May 26 were also approved and should be posted on ICM web site.

Membership Reports: No new member since last meeting

Communications and Correspondence:

E-mails. Mr. Kamrouz reported that since last meeting there were 7 e-mails to the ICM. One of the e-mails was from Dr. Moridi's office (MLA, Ontario) regarding his media interview. Mr. Kamrouz will contact Dr. Moridi's office to obtain his permission to post the link to the interview on ICM web site.

Voicemail & Mail: Mr. Kermani reported that there was one voicemail from Ms. Sarah Qahraman. She would like to post her business ad on ICM web site. She is a Mobile Mortgage Manager.

Committees' Reports

Persian Language Classes (PLC): Ms. Shooshtari reported that the PLC Committee will be organizing an orientation/registration session for academic year 2011- 2012 Persian Language Classes. An invitation e-mail will be sent to the ICM e-mail list to invite the interested families to attend for orientation and registration. Mr. Kamrouz prepared a brief report on PLC End of the Year Celebration Event, which will be sent to the PLC Committee for their approval and then presentation to the ICM Board.

Events: Mr. Kermani reported that the Events Committee has asked ACE to announce their upcoming events. He also reported that the Events Committee met to arrange for the ICM Summer Picnic. As posted "Food" will be provided by an independent vendor and the liability

issues has been looked after. It was raised that the approved budget of \$200 will not be sufficient to cover the cost of water, cookies, watermelon, location and sound system. Mr. Kermani made a motion “to increase the budget for the ICM Summer Picnic on July 31st by \$50 for a total of \$250.” Seconded by Ms. Shooshtari. 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained; **Motion carried.**

As for “Music” Mr. Kamrouz will contact a volunteer, who might be able to provide the sound system. Mr. Dostshenas will be the summer picnic supervisor on July 31st. Mr. Kermani reported that the Events Committee has nominated Ms. Shooshtari as the organizer of the children program at the Summer Picnic. Ms. Shooshtari accepted the nomination conditioned upon some budget to cover the costs of prizes/games and ice-cream for kids. Mr. Dostshenas will sponsor the costs of children’s program for a total of \$50.

Arts, Culture, and Education (ACE): Mr. Kermani reported that with the departure of Mr. Eshraghi, Ms. Shabnam Shahfar will assume the responsibility as the interim chair. Mr. Aziemae is the ACE Secretary. From September of 2011, Ms. Fariba Solati is willing to accept the responsibilities as the Committee Chair. As for the planned activities: There will be one night of Music on Nov. 19; another night of Music on February; and then two days of Art Exhibition on May 26 & 27. Mr. Saleh-Azad expressed concern about the date of the last planned event as month of May would be the last working month for the current ICM Board members. Mr. Amir Amiri has also joined the ACE Committee. Ms. Shooshtari asked if the Events and ACE Committees have Terms of Reference (TOR). It was agreed to have Committees’ TOR as an agenda item for the next meeting.

Before getting to the **New Businesses**, Mr. Wise was invited to introduce himself and raise any questions which he might have from the present ICM Board members. Mr. Wise attend this meeting as a candidate for the ICM Board position. Mr. Wise introduced himself and emphasized that although he is interested in serving on the ICM Board, but he is concerned that his membership in political parties might be in conflict with his volunteer activities on the ICM Board given the ICM Constitution. Present members of the ICM Board, expressed their opinions and collectively responded that they do not see any conflict between Mr. Wise’s political involvement and his membership on the ICM Board. He was encouraged to join the Board given his knowledge and years of experience in serving the Community at large here in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Mr. Wise thanked the group for clarification and asked several questions. One was about the ICM Liability Insurance. Mr. Kermani reported that the ICM current budget does not allow to make such purchases, and ICM does not currently have a physical location.

Mr. Wise thanked the Board for having him and left the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Ms. Shooshtari submitted her Criminal Record Clearance Report to the Board which was the second required document for joining the ICM Board.

New Business Items were deferred to the next meeting.

Next Meeting: Thursday July 28, 2011

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.