



Mayor's Asian American Advisory Board

Social Services Division
1809 Art Museum Drive, Suite 100, Large Conference Room
Monday, April 14, 2014 at 6:00 PM

Minutes

Board Members Present: Sophal Archard, Ed Callao, Radwan Chowdhury, Jay Gogaliya, Mai Dinh Keisling, Do In Kim, Sang Phouansouvanh, Sunyoung Providakes, Wen Raiti and Rajat Sharma

Board Members Excused: Lorelie Papel

Board Members Unexcused: Bala Govi

Liaison to Board: Johnnetta Moore

Prospective Members/Guests/Volunteers Present: Daniel Albert, Albrecht Catalon and Ziggy Williamson

The Chair, Ed Callao, called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

I. Pledge of Allegiance

Introductions were made around the room and the Pledge of Allegiance was stated.

II. Public Comments

No public comment.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Jay Gogaliya to approve the March 10, 2014 minutes. Rajat Sharma seconded and the motion was passed.

IV. Committee Updates

➤ Awards Committee –

Radwan Chowdhury, Chair of the Awards Committee, stated the Committee is recommending to the Board the following awardees:

Tahir Shareef - Public Service
Azizul Quader – Business Award
Usha Mohan – Community Service Award
Hong Tek/John Kang – Business/Professional Awards

Mr. Chowdhury asked the Board to consider both applicants, Hong Tek and John Kang, for the Professional Award. Discussion was made by Board members in regards to awarding two Business/ Professional Awards and the criteria which defines the Business/Professional award. Radwan Chowdhury made a motion for the Board to approve the list of award recipients as set forth and Jay Gogaliya seconded. The motion was passed with six in favor and three not in favor.

➤ Executive Committee – Ed Callao

Committee has nothing to report.

➤ Finance – Laura Davis for Bala Govi

The Financial Report was discussed and one check has been received for one table for the May Event. Funds will need to be received by the end of the month to ensure there is funding for the event.

➤ May Event – Sophal Archard

Please provide Sophal Archard with the names of the performers. Board members received the order of events. Jay Gogaliya will be responsible for the Senator Rubio and the Governors letters. Sophal Archard will provide the invoice for the DJ (\$280). Do In Kim and Laura Davis will set up the projector and screen. The PowerPoint presentation will need 10 slides from each country and sent to Radwan Chowdhury.

Rajat Sharma asked the Board to turn in all ads for the Souvenir Booklet by Monday, April 28, 2014. There should be five ads from each country and they should be in PDF or JPG files.

Ms. Archard requested donations for the raffle.

➤ Membership/Nominations – Jay Gogaliya

No updates.

➤ Nominating Committee – Lorelie Papel

No updates.

➤ Scholarship Committee – Lorelie Papel

No Updates

V. Unfinished Business

Betzy Santiago contacted Johnnetta Moore to discuss the upcoming Roundtable Discussion. One MAAAB member will be able to attend. Ed Callao stated that MAAAB will not be able to support this event due to the fact that our members represent several boards and will discuss with Betzy Santiago by email.

Ms. Santiago is also asking that the Board provide names of Associations with a one or two line description and link to their website for the Roundtable Discussion. It cannot be a business but looking for non-profits.

VI. New Business

None presented.

VII. Announcements

Please see attached.

Jay Gogaliya will be attending the Community Development and Capacity Building Conference on behalf of the Asian Community as the representative of Florida in June.

VIII. Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on May 12, 2014.