



Mayor's Asian American Advisory Board

Social Services Division
1809 Art Museum Drive, Suite 100, Large Conference Room
Monday, June 9, 2014 at 6:00 PM

Minutes

Board Members Present: Sophal Archard, Ed Callao, Radwan Chowdhury , Bala Govi, Lorelie Papel, , Sunyoung Providakes, Wen Raiti and Rajat Sharma

Board Members Excused: Jay Gogaliya, Mai Dinh Keisling

Board Members Unexcused: Do In Kim, Sang Phouansouvanh

Liaison to Board: Johnnetta Moore

Prospective Members/Guests/Volunteers Present: Lourie Bartchlett and Moitreyi Das

The Chair, Ed Callao, called the meeting to order at 6:12 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

Radwan Chowdhury made a motion to approve the April, 14, 2014 minutes. Rajat Sharma seconded and the motion was passed.

Radwan Chowdhury made a motion to approve the May 12, 2014 minutes. Rajat Sharma seconded and the motion was passed.

IV. Liaison to the Board Update

Johnnetta Moore reminded Board members that all correspondence must go through Chair and then through the Liaison. The Liaison will then forward to the appropriate person.

Scholarship checks should be available by the end of the week. Ms. Moore explained the processing funds with the City. When the Board receives money it gets deposited at the Tax Collector's office. The Tax Collector deposits the funds and waits for the checks to clear the bank. Once funds have been received, it is then transferred to the Board's Trust Fund. It is a long process and why funds are not always readily available.

Johnnetta Moore stated that she has not heard anything on reappointments.

Mr. Moore asked Ed Callao to discuss the roundtable. Ed Callao stated the Roundtable discussion suggested the desire for the presidents of organizations to part of the Board. If presidents do you know that you represent them, then how are you staying in touch with the community.

Johnnetta Moore inquired to the Board about the response to person who did not receive the scholarship. Board discussed the possibilities and it was decided that a response would be sent to the individual.

V. Committee Updates

➤ Awards Committee –

No updates.

➤ Executive Committee – Ed Callao

No updates.

➤ Finance –

Financial report was included in agenda packet. Ms. Moore has requested more funds in FY 2014/2015 for the Copy Center and supplies.

➤ May Event – Sophal Archard

Ed Callao asked Board members to email Laura Davis ways the May event can be improved.

Suggestions:

Sunyoung Providakes – The errors in the Program booklet and maybe divide by country.

Johnnetta Moore – Must do things on time and if it is not on time then don't do it.

Wen Raiti – Communication with the performers on seating arrangements. Performers sat at paid patron tables.

Wen Raiti – Board members job is not done when the guests leave the event. The venue will need to be cleaned up and assistance with boxes and other items to vehicles.

Radwan Chowdhury – Need to get information from scholarship winners in a timely manner.

Lorelie Papel – Designate between MAAAB scholarships and other scholarships.

➤ Membership/Nominations – Radwan Chowdhury for Jay Gogaliya

Radwan Chowdhury stated Daniel has completed the MAAAB process for membership but a question has been raised because Daniel is appointed to two other Boards. Ms. Moore will continue to follow up.

➤ Nominating Committee – Lorelie Papel

Lorelie Papel announced the Nominating committee decided on the following candidates: Radwan Chowdhury - Chair, Rajat Sharma – Vice Chair, Sophal Archard – Secretary, and Wen Raiti – Treasurer. Ms. Papel asked for any further nominations from the floor and none were proposed. There were eight ayes and no opposing.

➤ Scholarship Committee – Lorelie Papel

Lorelie Papel asked the Board if it was acceptable for the Philippine students who did not receive scholarship to receive money from a partner. The Board agreed.

VI. Unfinished Business

None.

VII. New Business

Ed Callao stated as outgoing chair he learned a lot and it was difficult going from board member to chair. He asked Board members that if there is question in regards to policy and procedure to please speak with Ms. Moore.

Mr. Callao thanked Sunyoung Providakes for her service to MAAAB.

VIII. Announcements

See attached agenda packet.

IX. Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on July 14, 2014.