

Minutes of the MANCA Joint Board Meeting held on Saturday, January 19, 2008

Venue: India Community Center, Milpitas, CA 95035

Time: 2:30pm to 5:30pm

Prepared by Secretary: Joseph Kurian

Participants: Geeta George, Tojo Thomas, Joseph Kurian, Dr. Ajith Nair, Renuka Empranthiri, Anil Nair, Babu Alummoottil, Lizy John, Reenu Cherian, Azeez C., Nimmi Priya Chandra, Benny Anose, Biju Joseph

Absentees: Philip Karukaparambil, Jose Karingada

DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

Agenda	Decision
<p>1. Minutes of the last meeting</p> <p>2. Feed back of X'mas program, financial reports</p> <p>3. Academic Excellence Award</p> <p>4. Honor music & dance "Arrangettom" Students.</p> <p>5. Kerala Day</p>	<p>The meeting was called in order by President Geeta George.</p> <p>Secretary Joseph Kurian presented the minutes of the 11/19/07 meeting and was passed.</p> <p>The general feed back was that the program was excellent. The members felt that in the future selection of songs should be monitored. Carol song needs to add for the X'mas program. Decided to give more chances for new people in the programs. The members appreciate the hard work of the various subcommittee members.</p> <p>The Treasurer presented the financial status of the X'mas program and the general financial report.</p> <p>The board decided to institute Academic Excellence Award for 12th grade graduating students of MANCA's Life members. Any life member student with highest score in the SAT examination will be awarded. The first award will be given during the 2008 Onam celebration for the graduating students of 2007-2008. Multiple winners will share the award.</p> <p>The Academic Excellence Award will consists of cash award \$1000.00 and a plaque. The following board members will sponsor the cash award: Geeta George \$ 200.00 Dr. Ajith Nair: \$ 300.00 Azeez C : \$ 300.00 Renuka Embranthiri: \$ 100.00 Lizy John: \$ 100.00</p> <p>Certificate of appreciation will be given to the Valedictorians of the 12th grade.</p> <p>The board members decided to honor life member children who complete their dance or Music "Arrangettom" with a Plaque during the X'mas program each year.</p> <p>The program will start at 12:30 and will end at 3:30pm on 04/13/08. CAMYL will be given 1 hour for performance. Decided to monitor CAMYL program for perfection and appropriateness. Mohiniyattom and Kaikottikali will be special program for the day.</p> <p>The X'Mas cultural program committee will coordinate program. Mr. Babu</p>

	Alummoottil is added to the program committee. Joseph Kurian is excluded.
	<p>Food: Priya will negotiate with Spice Hut regarding the food service MANCA will request \$1.00 per packet served from the vendor.</p> <p>Decoration: Anil Nair and Priya will be taking care of the decoration needs of the Kerala Day.</p>
6. Mahabali dress, Umbrellas and Bills. Netti pattam Theyyam	<p>President Geeta George reported that she purchased the pre-approved Mahabali dress and Umbrella's for MANCA. Committee approved reimbursement of the bills.</p> <p>Board members approved Geeta George to purchase 2 Netti pattam and Theyyam for MANCA. Tojo proposed and Babu Alummoottil seconded. Agreed to allow rental of these properties for a minimum of \$20.00. If damaged the renter will have to reimburse the cost.</p>
7. 25 th Anniversary of MANCA, Souvenir Committee	<p>The board decided to start working for the 25th Anniversary of MANCA. A souvenir committee consisting of Geeta George, Reenu Cherian, Priya, Ajith Nair, and Azeez were appointed by the board. Dr. Ajith Nair will be the Editor of the Souvenir.</p>
8. MANCA Night	<p>MANCA Night program will be for 2.5 hours. Drama 1 hour and Ganamela 1.5 hours.</p> <p>Decided to include external singers. Mr. Anil Nair will work with the musicians and will have a final idea by the next meeting.</p> <p>Priya will look into food arrangements with Spice Hut.</p> <p>Priya will also help in identifying sponsors for Kerala Day.</p>
9. Flyer	<p>Flyer will be send to members before MANCA night. Information on Academic Excellence Award, 25th Anniversary, invitation for advertisements and pictures will be included in the Flyer. No flyer for Kerala Day will be send.</p>
10. Auditor	<p>Board decided to find a new Auditor. Geeta George will ask Mrs. Saji/ Latha Naryan.</p>
11. Fokana	<p>No Discussion took place</p>
12. Next Meeting	<p>03/01/2008 at ICC</p>