

Minutes of the MANCA Joint Board Meeting held on Saturday, March 1, 2008

Venue: India Community Center, Milpitas, CA 95035

Time: 2:30pm to 5:00pm

Prepared by: Renuka Empranthiri, Joint Secretary.

Participants: Philip Karukaparambil, Geeta George, Tojo Thomas, Jose Karingada, Dr. Ajith Nair, Renuka Empranthiri, Anil Nair, Babu Alummoottil, Lizy John, Reenu Cherian, Azeez Chollampat.

CAMYL Members Present : Jeremy , Unni

Absentees:, Joseph Kurian, Nimmi Priya Chandra, Benny Anose, Biju Joseph

DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS

Agenda	Decision
<p>1. Minutes of the last meeting</p> <p>2. Kerala Day Celebrations, Assignments</p> <p>3. CAMYL</p>	<p>The meeting was called in order by Chairman Philip Karukaparambil.</p> <p>Joint Secretary Renuka Empranthiri, presented the minutes of the 1/19/2008 meeting and was passed.</p> <p>Maveli- Tojo Thomas has been currently assigned to be the Maveli. MC- Ajith Nair and Reenu Cherian to share the duties as MC. Chenda Melam – Jose Karingada will call Anthony and team. Ajith Nair is going to check on more person to add to the team.</p> <p>Decorations – Entire committee going to decorate the hall during our next meeting at ICC, on April 5, 2007 at 2.30 p.m. Our team meeting for an hour followed by decorating the hall. More decorations done on April 13, 2008. All committee will be taking care of the decoration needs of the Kerala Day. All committee members to bring the decoration items.</p> <p>A suggestion by Mr. Philip was to send email asking everyone to be there in Kerala Dress. All committee members to be with Chenda Melam and Maveli. Lizy John is going to bring Thalam, flowers, chandanam, sindoor for Thalappoli. Lizy will direct the Thalappoli with kids in Kerala dress. They will be with the Thiruvathirakali performers. Geeta to bring big Vilakku.</p> <p>Food: Jose Karingada to check with Spicehut about Parippuvada and tea. He will find out how the serving will be done, either by the caterer or board. Order for 200 people. Email to be sent to ICC mailing list , about the Kerala Day.</p> <p>Welcome Speech - Chairman- Philip Karukaparambil Short description about CAMYL to be included.</p> <p>Vote of Thanks – Geeta George.</p> <p>Jeremy and Unni were present. For Kerala Day, they are going to perform a Fashion Show for 15-20 mts together with 2 dance items and maybe 2 songs. They will bring their own CD. Committee has requested one of our committee</p>

<p>4. 25th Anniversary Celebrations-Plan</p>	<p>member, Tojo, being present for one of their rehearsals. Every year, CAMYL will have a slot to perform for Kerala Day.</p> <p>– We are planning to do celebration for a year starting from MANCA Onam celebrations on September 13, 2008. Souvenir “Prakashanam” will be done later during Xmas program.</p>
<p>5. Souvenir printing plan</p> <p>6. Auditor</p> <p>7. MANCA Night</p> <p>8. Flyer- MANCA Night</p> <p>9. Fokana</p> <p>10. MANCA email</p> <p>11. Next Meeting</p>	<p>Geeta George presented two quotes, one from Angamali and one from Cochin. Mr. Ajith Nair to get a quote and will inform Ms. Geeta George. Souvenir committee already consisted 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> <p>Nobody got assigned yet. Mr. Philip to check with Mr. Johny Mathew and Renuka to check with Mr. Narayanan.</p> <p>MANCA Night program will be for 2.5 hours. Drama 1 hour and Ganamela 1 hour 15 minutes. Anil Nair in charge of the program. The orchestra is ready, they are finalizing the songs this week. They are trying to bring 2 professional singers. Not yet confirmed. All singers are ready. Ganamela will have 12 songs and then the Drama (45 mts). Drama is also getting ready. MANCA will look into reimbursing the expenses. Will talk later about the expenses. Anil to be the MC for MANCA night.</p> <p>We will talk about it during our next meeting. No Discussion took place.</p> <p>Under the current circumstances of FOKANA has been split up to two, MANCA will not support any branch for now. This was proposed by Chairman Philip Karukaparambil and seconded by Mr. Jose Karingada.</p> <p>Discussed about whether to send the movie information via MANCA. All were agreeable for sending emails if it brings valuable information to Malayalees. No decision was made as a rule in this meeting. All Agreed to support Thampy Antony’s (Manca Life member) Calcutta News info to be sent via MANCA email.</p> <p>04/05/2008, 2.30 p.m. at ICC</p>