

Minutes of the MANCA Board Meeting held on Saturday, September 29, 2007

Venue: India Community Center, Milpitas, CA 95035

Time: 3pm to 5pm

Participants: Philip Karukaparampil, Geeta George, Tojo Thomas, Joseph Kurian, Joseph Karigada , Renuka Empranthiri, Anil Nair, Biju Joseph, Babu Alummoottil, Lizy John, Reenu Cherian, Azeez Chollampat, Nimmi Priya Chandra

Absentees: Dr. Ajith Nair

Agenda	Discussions and Decisions
1. Nomination of Board Members.	<p>The meeting was called in order by Chairman Philip Karukaparampil.</p> <p>Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming the new board members and further discussion on nomination of vacant board members.</p> <p>President Geeta Gorge proposed the following people to the board of directors:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Renuka Empranthiri – Joint Secretary 2. Babu Alummoottil 3. Lizy John 4. Reenu Cherian 5. Azeez Chollampat 6. Nimmi Priya Chandra <p>Proposal was seconded by Tojo Thomas. The nominations will be ratified in the general body or Christmas program.</p> <p>Mr. Joseph Karingada announced his resignation from the position of Treasurer and a board member. Committee members requested him to continue his service at least as a board member. Mr. Karingada will think about it and will let the President know his decision.</p> <p>President Geeta George proposed Mr. Azeez Chollampat as the new Treasurer, seconded by Biju Joseph. Mr. Azeez accepted the position. Nomination will be ratified during the general body or Christmas program.</p>
2. Christmas Program	<p>Christmas program on 12/9/2007 at CET- Food 5 -6pm, 6:30pm entertainment.</p> <p>Entertainment Committee and contacts: Lizy John, Renuka Empranthiri, Joseph Kurian and Anil Nair.</p> <p>Encourage group items, screen program for perfection.</p> <p>Priorities will be given to life members for the cultural programs, entertainment committee members will encourage non members to take membership if they approach for program participation.</p> <p>Discussion on skit- Anil Nair has one but will not be for X'mas.</p> <p>Drama- Geeta George will coordinate, Nativity Show- Geeta George has spoken to Sousan Ciby, will give an update in the next meeting.</p> <p>Sound system: Tojo will ask Joby or Roshan if they can help.</p> <p>Food Committee: Biju John, Babu Alummoottil and Tojo- will explore pricing and give update in the next meeting.</p> <p>Food to be served: Chicken Biriyani and vegetable Biriyani, Cake.</p>

	<p>Clean up- Geeta George will explore if we can get someone from CET and will update in the next meeting.</p> <p>Decisions on MC's, Vote of thanks etc. will be decided in the next meeting.</p>
3. Storage for MANCA	<p>Decided to store All inventories at one location for easy handling. Committee approved fund \$70-80 per month, which should not exceed \$1000.00 an year. Geeta George and Azeez will work on it.</p>
4. Mahabali Dress and related issues.	<p>Mr. Praba Purayil's Mahabali crown and other ornaments will not be available for MANCA hereafter. Board approved Geeta George to explore options including purchasing from Kerala.</p>
5. Honoring children who won Fokana Talent Show.	<p>Tojo will talk to Vincent Mathew regarding the awards. MANCA will honor children during X'mas program. Tojo will give update on trophies / certificate in the next meeting.</p>
6. Federal Paperwork to be filed.	<p>All paperwork up to date. No further discussion at this time.</p>
7. MANCA Night/ Kerala day by ICC	<p>MANCA night and Kerala Day—Both programs will be combined if possible after discussing with ICC by Geeta George.</p> <p>Geeta George will consult on the availability of the auditorium for May, 08 since the whole month is dedicated for Kerala people. Will discuss about food serving issues with ICC.</p> <p>Final decision will be made in the next meeting.</p>
8. MANCA Picnic	<p>Decided to have MANCA picnic in July, 07.</p> <p>Board members agree that the Picnic Venue needs to be in Milpitas for the convenience of its members.</p> <p>Geeta George proposed Elizabeth park as appropriate.</p> <p>Authorized Reenu Cherian will look into possible spots and reservation requirements and will give update during the next meeting.</p>
9. Life Membership	<p>Discussion on other type of membership other than Life membership. Constitution provides for Life membership only.</p> <p>Will keep this for future discussion.</p>
10. Miscellaneous	<p>What other activities can be done. Decided to keep this for future discussions.</p>
11. Next meeting	<p>Nov. 1st or 11nd weekend.</p>
	<p>The meeting adjourned at 5:45 P.M</p>

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