

BANGLADESH AMERICAN CENTER

BAC Meeting on 8/5/09 started @6:30 p.m.

Agenda:

- 1) Administrative
 - a. Web updates on <http://bachouston.org>
 - b. Bank auto draft for recurring FOBAC members
 - c. FOBAC follow up
- 2) Financial Statements & Minutes Review
- 3) FOBANA Host Committee (HC) fund and rental
- 4) BAC vs. Warehouse
- 5) Neighborhood complaints via Home Owner Association (HOA)
- 6) Out-house collection calls
- 7) BAC future & strategy session

Minutes of the Meeting of August 5, 2009

- Website site has been updated with minutes, financial statements and FOBAC member registration to pay over the credit card. Currently, one need to have a google (gmail) account to pay by the credit card. BAC is working to establish a recurring auto payment either via void check or from a credit/debit cards.
- BAC has a new director Mr. Shah M. Haleem Jr. (Mithu), in helping FOBAC to setup and collect the recurring membership payment every month.
- Leo Ahmad has done an outstanding job in recruiting 35-FOBAC members during the FOBANA convention, now we need to come up with a method in collecting the fund and make them a recurring automated payment system as it was used to be via Paypal. The question was raised – why previous Paypal method was discontinued or cancelled and who cancelled the auto payment for FOBAC? Anyone knows the answer?
- BAC has adopted a new policy, whereby every BAH & BAC Directors shall donate a minimum of \$25.00 per month basis toward the maintenance and sustaining of the BAC facility and premises. Effective immediately.
- The BAC treasurer was asked to send an invoice to HC in collecting the rental for the Sunday's HC meeting. BAC needs the Rental Payment from HC to pay for the utilities bill accumulated over the last few months.

- BAC facility is being used like a warehouse and it should not have been used like storage. This is the only place we have to conduct meetings, get together and to showcase to others. So, everyone plead that BAC need to be clean and presentable at all times. It is our responsibility to keep up with the BAC clean. Do not bring stuff to store in BAC; we need other solution to store items after any major events.
- One of the directors will be Contacting the neighborhood HOA in mitigating the complaints of trash and debris close to the subdivision in the west side. If anyone has any idea how to remove those trash and debris from west side of the BAC premises then please voice your opinion ASAP.
- An outstanding outhouse balance from previous years is being with a collection agency. BAC is being asked to pay for the balance. Current administration does not know how to mitigate this collection problem.
- Strategy session:
 - o Many ideas were shared amongst the folks that were present during this meeting. We are collecting ideas for the next 2-weeks in formulating a best way to raise awareness and fund to complete the 1st Building in BAC premises to host the BD Victory day in December 2010. BAC need \$500K by March 2010 to start the project. A fiscal policy be implemented and a Comptroller will be appointed such that fund disbursement can be duly managed.

Next meeting is scheduled on Sunday, August 23rd @1:00 p.m.