

BAC Monthly Meeting - 12/6/09

Joint Session between BAC AB, BAH AB, BAH Boards, BAC EB

Minutes:

- Dr. S.S. Newaz welcomed the BACAB members and brought a motion to add Mr. M. F. Ahsan as the new member of the Advisory Board (AB) of BAC. It was unanimously accepted. Currently, AB members are: Dr. S. S. Newaz (chair), Mrs. Sandra Syed, Mr. A. Wahab, Mrs. Selina Rahman, Mr. Azadul Haq, Mr. Fazlul Karim and Mr. M. F. Ahsan. Not everyone was present at this joint session.
- Mr. Afzal Ahmed welcomed the BAH BoD. Not everyone was present at this joint session.
- Dr. Selina Ahmed welcomed the BAHAB members. Currently, BAH AB members are: Dr. Selina Ahmed (chair), Mr. Dewan Ahmed CPA, Mrs. Selina Rahman, Dr. S. S. Newaz, Mr. Naz Husain, Mr. Hasan Rahman, Dr. Zaki Husain and Dr. K. Rahman. Not everyone was present at this joint session.
- BAC Upcoming Activities:
 - Dr. Selina Ahmed, with her earlier initiative decided to take a leading role in coordinating to establish the Community Organic Garden. Dr. Ahmed will be engaged in leadership position toward developing a plan and will coordinate for required fund and volunteers' necessary for this project. The fence project needs a coordinator (the idea of fencing the premises was proposed by Mr. M. F. Ahsan). Everybody was very excited about these 2- projects and willing to help for a successful Organic Garden along with a fence to secure the BAC premises. If you are interested on these 2- projects – please contact Dr. Ahmed for the Garden and any EB member for the fence.
 - BAC General Fund raising event is kept within the BAC EB members such that the current directors are engaged in raising necessary fund to build the first Building.
- BAC Fund Raising Activities:
 - “Monpura” Bangla Movie was shown on 11/22/09 and had raised \$2183.00
 - BAC Cleaning Project ended on 11/25/09 and had raised \$1525.00 for the expenses
 - All Financial data and Minutes have been posted in BAC website at <http://bachouston.org>
- BAC Next Project is on Jan 2nd 2010:
 - BAC is launching an outreach program with “James” concert in Houston on January 2nd 2010 Saturday at Stafford Civic Center, which will be hosted by DoshBangla Entertainment. During this concert BAH will also be celebrating the BD Victory Day with a 30-40 minutes cultural show. BAC is going to take part in this concert to create awareness for the required fund in completing the first building and other outreach projects that have been launched for Community Garden and fencing. Some of the proceeds of this concert will be donated to BAC fund.
 - Mr. Oli Mohammed brought up a discussion on the topic of 501c3 non-profit BAH or BAC projects within the context of laws and regulations. If BAC is partnering or jointly working with any organization then BAC should be entitled for a 60% or greater portion of the fund from any joint venture. There were no motion was taken, but the decision was BAC will not participate in any partnership agreement with DoshBangla Entertainment, rather provide personnel help toward some donation. Mr. Dewan Ahmed, CPA was in hand and did not find any issues or concern regarding the upcoming James concert, where BAC will be launching an outreach program to promote BAC.
- BAC Ideas:
 - Mr. Shah Haleem Sr. ideas to sustain BAC are: Develop few apartment buildings as part of the BAC facility in having continuous income to meet the sustaining cost of the BAC. As a non-profit organization this item requires further investigation as per Dewan Ahmed, CPA.
 - Use the BAH Telephone Tree to invite community folks to become a FOBAC members.

- Mrs. Yasmin – Ask a friend to become a FOBAC member or bring them over to a BAC meeting.
To witness the BAC activities and then let them participate in community work.
- Attendees: Hasan, Newaz, Mitu, Mithu, Moni, Shahid, Leo, Ehsan, Pavel, Masoom, Rubel, Masood, Afzal, Emran, Saeeda, Yasmin, Naz, Mina, Rumana, Aftab.

Next meeting: Sunday, Jan 3rd 2010 @2:00 p.m. at the Center