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Dear All:

Bangladesh-American Center - a project that was a dear project for everyone in this community - is suffering from lack of resources and interest.

If BAC starts moving - then others are in fear of other project - it's a balance that we all need to share and work whatever the outcome is going to be. I was thinking, putting BAC project on-hold until we can get resources. We need lot of money, and we can start - the movement in raising fund, but again others may not like it at this time.

So, you the people need to make choice - do we have enough money in the community to raise \$300K to start the 100x110 size metal building?

Here are some updates:

- 1) BAC inside and the outside premises were cleaned up this week with the help of Masoom Bhai, Dhelvi Bhai, and Naz Bhai. We added and fixed the broken tube lights, so light is now adequate. P.S. We were having meetings every Sunday - but keeping the BAC clean were never brought up or none even suggested that the BAC needs some cleaning. Wow!!!
- 2) Septic was missing for last 2-3 months, finally a new septic tank was installed. This will save \$168.00 recurring cost every month. Thanks to Dhelvi Bhai, Masoom Bhai, and Naz Bhai. It was a dirty (in fact filthy) job but people like these - BAC is still surviving and has a place for meeting.
- 3) Currently, BAC has no income - if we all can pay \$10.00 per month then we can keep paying the maintenance cost and continue to keep some of the services - water & sewer, trash and electricity. So, please pay \$10.00 every month and become a FOBAC member. Let me know if you are interested in paying \$10.00 every month or once in a while.
- 4) BAC had a meeting with donor members, founding members and well wishers to help in completing the project. Some came from the other Organization with an understanding - how they can help in building the Center. We have problems and issues - which we decided to work toward a resolution. We will be forming a Committee to revise the Bylaws and come up with mutual memorandum, a common community goal such that people can contribute and later not alienated by some conflict.
- 5) An Open Committee meeting will be called on last Sunday of February 2009. Please mark your calendar - so you can provide input to form this committee and what BAC needs to do in moving forward.

6) BAC executive board will meet every month - the 2nd Thursday @7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. You all and others (let your friends know) are most welcome to join the executive session during this time. We will have snack after the meeting.

7) BAC has some open positions, which we need to fill right away, if you know someone or yourself interested then give me call.

8) BAC website need updates – can anyone help?

9) Year ending financial statement is ready – will be mailed (postage money – we don't have), so we will email to everyone – soon.

So, help the BAC.

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