ICA September 2024 - Board Meeting minutes (09/05/2024)

Present:

Board Members:

Peyman Majidi (PM), Mohammad Shokouh Amiri (MS), Mehrzad Elmi (ME), Ebrahim Paydar (EP), Behzad Namazi (BN)), Naazee Shafiei (NS), Mina Mokhtari (MM).

Absent: Fariba Azad, Farid Amirmokhtari

Guests: Mahmoud(Nader) Shirvani (NS).

Meeting called to order at 8 pm.

First order was approval of July and August minutes - Decision to review these before the next meeting.

MS suggested sending a draft of the minutes earlier in the month so members have time to make corrections.

This way there is time to send the final draft before the next board meeting. MM offered to prepare the minutes every other month to help the secretary 's busy schedule.

Poetry gathering- MS reported that next Monday evening there is a meeting of the poetry committee to finalize the program. They will also discuss if there will be any music performance. MS also mentioned that there possibly may be a speaker from California who will talk about Ferdoosi via zoom. Ms - A budget of \$500 was approved for this program which so far has not been used.

Mehregan- ME suggested using a Persian food truck (Cubido)for Mehregan. BN knows the owners and will contact them about the menu and contract. **Decision: This was approved by the majority.**

MM mentioned that owners of food trucks contact Columbus park and recreation (park of Roses) and get approval to sell food to our group.

NS mentioned that dancer Sheri Maria was supposed to prepare a Persian piece to perform in Mehregan. PM will contact her to prepare ~ten minute show.

ME offered to contact his friend and purchase a second hand ElectroVoice speaker for ICA (price ~\$600). **Decision: This was unanimously approved.**

PM suggested having a program committee for Mehregan. He volunteered to do it, ME and EP will help him.



ME brought up the ICA and PSA relationship. BN said there are new managing group elected for PSA and he is hopeful we can have better relationships with them . NS - we have to have a policy and explain our expectations about our relationship.

ME asked BN to reach out to students and offer that they appoint a member to attend ICA meetings. Everyone agreed with this plan, this will enhance our relationship and programs.

ICA business directory: PM- we are looking for people and businesses who are interested and willing to support ICA .

ICA Membership - Decision: Table this discussion Indefinitely.

MS and NS will prepare a letter to notify and offer businesses to participate in our business directory. PM will send the form he prepared and he will send it with the announcement.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm

