

## Minutes of meeting on Feb 5, 2015

Location – Riwitti's home

Present – all board members except Puja Tanwani.

### 1. Welcome

2. Yoga – Malathi and Veena are interested in continuing to teach Yoga. Day and timing of class to be discussed with them. Some members wanted the class to be on Sunday evenings instead of Mondays; however, the monthly rental (for 4 classes) is higher (\$75) on Sunday evenings vs \$60 on weekdays.

**Funds** generated from this class will be donated to whichever cause is determined as the top priority at a given time. The name "Yoga for a Cause" for a cause can continue without specifying any particular charity.

Rashmi mentioned we get 15% of the revenue from Bollywood class, which is available on a quarterly basis. This revenue will be added to general IWA funds for taking care of expenses.

3. **Criteria for annual Service Award** – Members of the committee for selecting a recipient of this award will be informed of a selection criteria. One more participant needed for this committee. Co-presidents will contact other IWA members to gauge interest in working on this committee.

### 4. Welcome Party – Feb 15, 3-5 pm, BTCCGL

- i. Rashmi to pick up about 75 samosas donated by Sharma's kitchen.
- ii. Dahi Bade and Dhoklas to be ordered from Neeru Patel.
- iii. Water is plentiful in our IWA supplies.
- iv. Tea will be made on premises (BTCCGL) – No volunteers for this yet.
- v. Rashmi to bring roses for all if she finds their prices are discounted to 50%
- vi. Riwitti (Tres Leche) and Sangita (homemade) to bring cakes.
- vii. Debjaya to reserve room in BTCCGL – from 2:00 pm onwards.
- viii. Surekha Patel will be given an opportunity to display and sell jewellery.
- ix. Directory will be distributed if it is ready.
- x. Sanskriti will be not be ready until after the Welcome Party.

### 5. Directory

1. Directory is expected to be ready by Feb 15<sup>th</sup>. Ad requests should be sent by Sunday evening to Charu Balachander.
2. Board members would like some color, especially for Board Member Pictures, in the directory. Riwitti looking into the use of BTCCGL color printer if IWA purchases color cartridges. Has left a message for them.
3. Anita Jogleker wishes to place her advertisement on the back page of the directory but that is likely to diminish the aesthetics of the directory. Therefore, this request is to be denied but she can be granted space (4.5" by 7") on the last page of the directory at a cost of \$75.

6. **SANSKRITI** –A color printing is being considered for one or more issues of Sanskriti, depending upon availability of BTCCGL printer. Rashmi has already lined up articles from Shraddha, Meena, Aparna and Ranjani. The physician members of IWA will be requested for a Health & Wellness article. Rashmi is planning an article on “World Happiness.” She will check around to see if any child of IWA members makes cartoons which she can incorporate into Sanskriti.
7. **Outreach** – Mahashweta contacted Rwitti to explore the possibility of a partnership between IWA and Kathryn Weil Center. Rwitti suggested that this Center can offer workshops in CPR and Heimlich Maneuver, especially if they can do them free of cost. Mahashweta will check with the Center.
8. **Criteria for Service Awards**
  - i. Always available to assist IWA whenever a need arises
  - ii. Impact of service – how much the specific person’s work actually impacted IWA as an organization
  - iii. Role in Strengthening the Organization
  - iv. Membership in the organization

#### 9. **Holi Planning**

All performances have to be Holi theme-based. They have to be approved by the board through a preview and satisfactory description.

No solo performances.

No performances by Purdue University students.

Each child can perform only in one performance. Some dance instructors have requested for 3 spots for their presentations. They will be requested to abide by the rule of one child to be allowed to perform only in one item.

Program should start early, around 4:30 pm or 5:00 pm.

Start with appetizer at the time of arrival, followed by children’s performances. Dinner to be available after most performances are over.

Food – Local and Indiana restaurants, including India Mahal will be checked for prices.

#### 10. **Housekeeping**

1. Clause to be added to Confidentiality Agreement signed at the January 25 meeting – emails being circulated among IWA board cannot be shared with other people;
2. United front in case of arguments with people not in the board;
3. Emails – Bcc’d Respondents cannot respond to an email circulating within the Board unless they are cc’d or directly involved in the conversations.

**Liability Insurance** to be checked out

It was deemed important to protect IWA organization in case, disagreements or issues with dissatisfied members, or non-members, leads to law suits against the organization. Co-

presidents signed a document from NAME? INSURANCE company that safeguards against random complaints. Rashmi will obtain a price quote from this company after she emails the signed document to them.

**Approaching Deadlines:**

February 7, 2015 for submitting names for member names to be placed in the Directory.

February 7, 2015 for submitting advertisements for placement in Directory.

Minutes submitted by Sangita Handa