

Minutes for Meeting on April 6, 2014

Location – 112 Noble Ct. WL 47906, 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Present: Anju, Punam, Rashmi, Renu, Lakshmi, Kumari, Sangita

1. Holi Event on March 29, 2014

- a. Several kudos received for program and food. No complaints received so far.
- b. income/expense for Holi presented by Renuji

Total income \$ **4058.79**

Total Expense \$ **4048.57**

The details of different transactions shall be published in the next issue of Sanskrit.

2. ASHA-IWA 5k Walk/Run Fundraiser

Event at PMU lawn on 19th April, 2014 at 9:00 am. Lakshmi has three IWA T-shirts that some board members will purchase for the event.

Registration: \$10 general
\$5 students

IWA board will encourage all IWA members to participate in this annual fundraiser hosted annually by ASHA chapter at Purdue University. The co-presidents shall be sending out emails about this event to all IWA members. Board members were requested to seek donors for this event.

There will be a separate registration booth for IWA members so that total contribution from IWA can be tracked. A paypal button shall also be set up for donations from sponsors/registration for this event. A sign-up sheet is being made available to IWA members to sign up for the event. IWA is also providing water and chips for this event.

All the money generated by IWA members shall be directed to ASHA.

3. E-book Recipe Book

Charu has graciously agreed to work on this project, and shall be assisted by Sangita Handa. Rashmi will send email to all the contributors to check their recipes once again

4. YWCA Clay Bowl on April 17th – IWA plans to assist YWCA in this fundraiser, to be held on April 17, through active participation by interested members. Email soliciting members' interest on this shall be sent to IWA membership. Rashmi is going to ask Jasmine Dowd of YWCA if IWA can put all the funds raised in one check.

5. IWA Research Scholarship - IWA is creating a Social Advocacy Fund (SAF) to support research, and analysis, on issues of concern that are common to women throughout the world.

Research and scholarly activities can focus on, but not limited to, the following:

- creating social awareness about specific issues that are detrimental to women's lives;
- providing educational training in areas of importance to women;
- promoting policies that are beneficial to women;
- supporting cross cultural research on domestic violence and prevention.

IWA will award total of \$1000 to two graduate students per year (\$500 each). This scholarship will last for one academic year.

Rashmi and Lakshmi had a meeting regarding this scholarship with Prof. Mangala Subramaniam who was very enthusiastic about this program. Their discussion was presented to the board by Lakshmi.

The board approved that we go ahead with the scholarship. Rashmi shall send, via e-mail, the scholarship requirements document to the board for feedback. Subsequently, the document shall be sent to Mangala for her feedback.

The finalized document is to be sent to the members before submission to Purdue University.

6. COI-2014 Planning

- a. Fund raising for this is to be initiated soon.
- b. Communication with Labonee Mohanta, the Entertainment Agent for a dance troupe suggested by Rwitti has been made.

Board decided to first connect with Todd Wetzel of Purdue Convocations. After that, Labonee can be contacted.

7. IWA Banner

There are some file transfer issues with the printing company in India. It was decided that work on banner can wait till Rwitti comes back. Money to be refunded by Popupbanner.com

8. IWA Website

Namita Balachander will be helping with the website. She will present a cost proposal to the IWA board. Target date for the finished website would be end of July

9. ASHA-IWA internship for teens

Both ASHA and the participating student interns appear to have been benefitted by this program piloted last summer. Rashmi shall send an email to the ASHA co-

presidents to check about their plans to sponsor internships for the upcoming summer.

10. Presentation on Financial Understanding for Women

Sangita is trying to arrange a talk on Financial Understanding for Women by a local financial advisor. This is targeted for early May.

11. Yoga for a Cause - Yoga classes for public are doing well this spring and generating a revenue. The income so far is **\$361.00**. Rental for BTCCGL was \$60. Hence profit was \$301. Manju Jarori and Veena Saagi will be requested for their services for the next session.

12. Conflict of Interest Form –Lakshmi will try to make a copy available from the pdf version of the form to all the members to sign