IWA Board Meeting Minutes

Venue: 916 Lagrange Street, W. Lafayette (Medha's House)

Time & Date: 7.00PM, Feb 21st 2010

Members Present: Renu Bajaj, Deepa Divakaran, Medha Gore, Sangeetha Kolla,

Monal Patel and Sujatha Ramani.

Agenda#1: Haiti Donation – Status Update and Review

The board received a final tally on Haiti donations; we have received a total of \$1300 towards Haiti Earthquake Victim Relief Fund. The board requested Sangeeta Kolla to send out the receipts and thank you letters to all members. The Lafayette Elks Country Club has agreed on a 50% matching towards the hall rent from Haiti donation fund. The board confirmed the Lafayette Elks Country Club's decision.

Agenda#2 Membership renewal update and valentine day expenses

Renu Bajaj, provided an update on membership renewal and the valentine day expenditures. As of today, 102 members have renewed their memberships. The valentine day expenses are approximately \$100; which is mainly the hall rental and token gifts. Sujatha Ramani updated the board on the progress made towards the publishing and distribution of the annual IWA membership directory.

Agenda#3 Holi Entertainment

The Holi program and the entertainment were discussed. The board decided to proceed with the DJ Magician CR Ryan from Indianapolis as the package deal he presented was the best value in terms of entertainment and cost.

Agenda #4 Formation of various HOLI committees - decoration, ticket, food and entertainment

The details regarding ticket prices, formation of food, ticket and entertainment committees were finalized. It was agreed that IWA has enough volunteers signed up for the various Holi 2010 committees and the overall coordinators for the food committee and ticket committee will be Sangeetha Kolla and Padma Subramaniam respectively. It was also decided that an email will be sent out to the members regarding saving the date by Monday and then an other detailed email with all the information about the entertainment and ticket prices will be sent out by the end of the week.

Agenda#5 Holi Booth Sponsoring & Sanskrti Advertising Rates

The board was informed that there are parties interested in setting up booth, at Elks Country Club during the April 3rd IWA Holi Celebration, to advertise their products

and services. The board discussed and decided on a cost of \$50 per booth. The board also agreed to provide the booth sponsors with a table, table cloth and a chair.

The board discussed the Sanskriti advertising rates FY 2010. It was decided that Sanskriti will only have half page ads and the rate will be \$15 per newsletter. However, if sponsors are interested in publishing ads in all the four issues then rate will only be \$40/-.

Agenda# 6 Tentative dates for picnic/garba, Cultural program/Fall.

The board finalized the calendar for the year 2010 -Holi will be celebrated in April, picnic in September, Garba in October and Diwali and cultural program in November and the general body meeting in December. The board also agreed to start the process of reserving venues for all the major events.

Agenda#7 Status update from our various coordinators

The board received updates from coordinators of various activities. Talk series coordinator, Monal Patel updated the board on some of the talk series topics and the schedule. There will be a talk in March dealing with tax issues. Sanskriti editor ,Sangita Handa, informed the board on the publishing dates for the IWA quarterly newsletter which would be March, June, September and December. Sangeetha Kolla (charity donations coordinator) is still waiting for more information on an Indian charity.

The meeting adjourned around 9.45 pm.