

Iowa Nepalese Association

Meeting Minute

Saturday, March 2nd 2013 @ Urbandale Public Library: 3520 NW 86th St Urbandale, IA 50322, 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Attendees:

1. Sanjay Ghimire
2. Kapil Limbu
3. Bipin Tamrakar
4. Anil Jha
5. Sanjay Shrestha
6. Ram Mani Pathak (via conference call)
7. Buddhi Lamsal
8. Kailash Kayastha
9. Pujan Lama
10. Roshan Pradhan

Agenda:

- Updates
- By-laws Updates and Approval.
- Identifying future steps for completion of association registration process and task allocations.
- Upcoming events planning

Discussion:

1. Sanjay Ghimire updated all the attendees regarding registration and documents.
2. Kailash Kayastha proposed the board to have its term for at least 2 years. But decided to have the first election in this Dasain 2013 celebration and new board to decide on this matter. If approved current by law would need amendment.
3. First election during - Dasain Celebration 2013.
4. Sanjay Ghimire updated the attendees about the Federal Id, Tax Id and Employer Id, Kapil Limbu to do the follow ups for Tax Id and Employer Id.
5. All team members to do some research on **Registering in City Council**, Sanjay Ghimire will do follow up on this.
6. Need to register a domain (preferably www.iowanepaleseassociation.org). Interested candidates to be approached.

7. Need to approach Madan Thapa for his previous logo during Asian Festival, to use it as official logo for the association. Proposed - to add cultural/landscape/social aspect of USA and Nepal.

8. Association will organize 3 main events during its term in a year.

a. Nepali New Year. Proposed for this year, April 20th 2013.

b. Asian Festival, May 11th 2013.

c. Dasain Celebration. Date - unknown.

Summer Picnic will be organized locally.

9. Association would be doing some fund raising program throughout the year, needs further planning and discussion. Proposed - invite people from other culture in our celebrations, which can help us bridge gap between communities as well as give our culture some exposure (in future).

10. Discussion regarding Asian Festival this year and formation of adhoc team members, follow up needs to be done by Sanjay Ghimire.

a. This year's Village Leader - Sanjay Ghimire

b. Roshan Pradhan will be following up on Tent and sponsorship, so that we could ask Anil Regmi for sponsoring our tent.

c. Food tent - Buddha Manadhar, Surendra Bajracharyar, Jeevan Thapa.

d. Cultural tent -

i. Dance - Sulochana Gurung, Pradip Sthapit

ii. Tent - Prajita Dahal, Ashok Tulachan, Om Gurung

e. Operational Management - Kushal Bhatta, Ganga Bohara

f. Public Relation - Pujan Lama

g. Sports - Anil Jha, Ram Mani Pathak

Other active/probable volunteers/leaders:

Javanthi Rana,

Kushal Paudyal,

Pooja Sharma,

Sidhartha Srivastav,

Jeevan Thapa,

Sandeep Singh,

Bibhuti Khatiwada,

Bikal Adhikari

and others.

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