

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ZOROASTRIAN ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON

The Annual General Body Meeting of the Zoroastrian Association of Houston ("ZAH") was held on November 8, 2009 at Zarathushti Heritage and Cultural Center ("ZHCC"), 8787 West Airport Blvd., Houston, TX 77071 at 2:00 p.m.

The ZAH EC members present were Rustom Challa, Nargesh Sethna, Darius Bharucha, Jasmine Mistry, Rustom Setna, Kershaw Khumbatta and Percy Master.

After the Invocation, the meeting was convened. Roshan Sethna moderated the meeting.

Jasmine Mistry announced that the quorum had been established.

Zarir Sethna proposed the adoption of the agenda, was seconded by Arnavaz Sethna, and was unanimously approved by the community.

The Minutes of the AGM held in 2008 were distributed prior to the meeting. Rustom Challa proposed that the minutes be accepted, and Sheroy Haveliwala seconded this. As there were no objections, the Minutes of the 2008 Meeting were approved unanimously.

Dr. Saroja Voruganti, UTSA, presented her proposed genetic-epidemiological study of Parsi Zoroastrians in Texas, and solicited help from the community for the study.

The various ZAH subcommittees then presented their annual reports:

1. Chairperson's Report: The chairperson's report was distributed prior to the meeting, was presented by Jasmine Mistry, and is attached herewith.
2. Treasurer's Report: Kershaw Khumbatta presented this report, which is attached herewith. The cost of running ZHCC is roughly \$6000/month. Arnavaz Sethna commented that simple measures may be put in place, such as cleaning up by all individuals. She motioned an approval of the Treasurer's Report as presented, was seconded by Jehanbux Mehta, and this was unanimously passed.
3. Building Construction Committee: The BCC report was distributed prior to the meeting, was presented by Hoshang Sethna and is attached herewith.
4. Building Management Committee: The BMC report was distributed prior to the meeting, was presented by Persis Behramsha and is attached herewith.
5. Entertainment Committee: The Entertainment Committee report was distributed prior to the meeting, was presented by Sheroy Haveliwala and is attached herewith. Sheroy made a special plea for members to minimize walking in at the last minute without prior RSVPs.
6. Investment Management Team Report: The IMT report was distributed prior to the meeting, was presented by Rustom Engineer and is attached herewith.
7. Youth Report: Zenia Sunavala and Fram Havelivala talked about the Youth's achievements and plans.
8. Library Committee: Aban Rustomjee presented the Library Committee report, which was distributed prior to the meeting, and is attached herewith.
9. North American Zarathushti Congress Update: Roshan Sethna provided an update on the NAZC work and requested additional volunteers to make this event a success.

The EC Proposal to hold funds collected for the roof in a special account was next discussed. This proposal on the agenda was presented by the EC to hold the funds collected for roof repairs in a special account, pending a firm recommendation from the BCC. Jango Mistry proposed the motion and it was seconded by Kaemerz Dotivala. After much discussion, the members came to the conclusion that the proposal was unnecessary, since the EC already had the authority to save the

funds and spend them as necessary on the ZHCC building. Kamalrukh Gandhi therefore proposed withdrawal of the motion, which was seconded by Shernaz Boomla – this withdrawal was unanimously passed.

Election of New EC Members

The Executive Committee members retiring in 2009 were:

- Darius Bharucha – Member
- Rustom Challa - Member
- Nergesh Sethna – Treasurer

For these three open positions, the Executive Committee received nominations of Kamalrukh Gandhi and Jehanbux Mehta as members, and from Nazanin Sarkari as Treasurer. No election was therefore necessary, as all open EC positions were exactly filled.

Jasmine Mistry introduced the new EC members and thanked the older ones retiring.

Adjourn

There being no other business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was proposed by Jasmine Mistry and was approved unanimously; the meeting was thus adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Recorded by Percy M. Master