

## Minutes of July 20, 2008 IATLH Executive Committee Meeting

**Books-A-Million 6:05-7:10 PM (Subhasis Das, Somnath Chatterjee, Raja Shekhar, Priya Ashok, and Thayumana Somasundaram)**

- The President called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM when all five members were present
- June 2008 Minutes of the Meetings were read and approved unanimously as presented
- General Secretary has secured the reservation for Independence Day Celebration/Utsav (IDCU) at RA Gray Building, 500 S Bronough Street, Tallahassee, FL by depositing \$250
- Joint Secretary will look into organizing programs for IDCU
- Treasurer will talk to the volunteer coordinators of the Children's Art Contest about reminding people of the contest and finalizing the judges
- The Association's non-profit entity application is still pending. Treasurer will update the Committee of the application's progress
- May and June 2008 Bank Statements were available for perusal
- The Committee asked the General Secretary to get more information about the music group from Tampa for a possible Diwali or New Year music concert
- The website [www.iatlh.org](http://www.iatlh.org) is getting updated frequently. The more modular and advanced website [www.iatlh.info](http://www.iatlh.info) needs some more work. President, Treasurer and Vice-President will try to pitch in to help
- There were couple of positive and no bad comments for switching to [www.socializr.com](http://www.socializr.com) in lieu of [www.evite.com](http://www.evite.com) as the Association's e-mail communication service
- General Secretary has paid Asian Coalition of Tallahassee's Association membership fee of \$100 for the year 2008
- Independence Day/Utsav program time will be Saturday, August 16, 2008 between 1 and 4 PM
- The President suggested that we conduct a photography contest for Glimpses 2008. Joint Secretary suggested that it be done as an e-mail/on-line only contest to encourage larger participation
- A suggestion was floated about conducting a quiz about Indian Independence during IDCU
- General Secretary and Vice-President will order about 125-150 samosa/sweet packages for the IDCU (exact number will be determined two weeks before IDCU)
- President will send the members of Executive Committee the current membership directory so that the Committee members can persuade non-members to join the Association
- The President or General Secretary will send a reminder to Ms Cone, Chiles High about auditorium reservation
- President will remind Dexter Baker regarding sponsoring Utsav
- General Secretary will send a request to local immigration law firm about possible sponsorship or IATLH events
- It was officially approved that the Treasurer can write checks over \$100

- Classical Music Concert Expenses: IATLH has given \$100/person honorarium to three musicians, \$50 gift to the church where the program was held and \$16.75 was spent toward water and colas
- \$52 was spent for appreciation lunch for the Sports Day volunteers (we had such an overwhelming response for the IATLH sports day volunteers didn't get a chance to eat anything)
- Experience Asia (a joint program with Asian Coalition of Tallahassee) will be on Saturday, September 27, 2008 at the Downtown Chain of Parks.
- Next meeting will Saturday, August 2, 6 PM.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM

**Submitted:** *General Secretary on July 24, 2008*

**Approved:** To be approved during the August 2, 2008 meeting.