

IATLH September Meeting

Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2008

I. Call to order

The President called to order the executive committee meeting of the India Association at 7:05 PM on September 19, 2008 in Books-A-Million Cafe.

II. Roll call

The secretary conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: President, Vice-President, General Secretary, and Treasurer (Joint Secretary had already sent in her agenda to the President).

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The last minutes had been e-mailed. The minutes were approved as sent.

IV. Open issues

- a) The main discussion on this meeting was about the upcoming Experience Asia Festival (a joint venture with Asian Coalition of Tallahassee). General Secretary has been the liaison for the event and he updated the following items:
1. Our Trustee will help us buy and bring the tent. We will be given a table and two chairs and we have paid \$10 toward it.
 2. The event is between 10 AM and 5 PM on Saturday, September 27, 2008 at downtown Tallahassee. Gen Secretary and Treasurer will stay in the morning shift. Vice-President and Joint Secretary will do the afternoon shift. Two volunteers and other IATLH members will assist the IATLH members. General Secretary will stay the whole day if needed.
 3. Joint Secretary will buy henna for the program
 4. Volunteers have agreed to do the henna and Gen Secretary will follow it up
 5. Vice President will talk to people who will display/sell items from the IATLH booth
 6. General Secretary will bring flags, chairs, tables and IATLH items like forms, display board, and decorative items etc
 7. IATLH will be putting four programs: one children's song, one adult group song, one adult group dance and one mixed group dance.
 8. The time slot will be sent the performers this weekend. The performers have been asked to send in their music in .mp3 or .cda formats to the Gen Sec or bring it on the day of the program

- b) We soon need to meet about Glimpses program. President will send out a Socializr about Glimpses this weekend. He has already made a Socializr write-up for the Photographic Contest.
- c) We discussed about the number of items for Glimpses. Even without sending out a formal invitation we have unofficially received half a dozen items.
- d) We will make it all official as soon as we send out the invitation
- e) Individuals have been asked to get more personal sponsorship so that we can get enough dollars to cover the Glimpses.
- f) Gen Sec talked about making a public service announcement (PSA) for the Glimpses and the committee decided to wait until next year since we were not sure about the impact

V. New business

- a) We had received 15 membership checks. All but two of them had membership information attached to them. Most of them were renewals.
 - 1. IATLH Treasurer gave a \$250 level sponsorship for the Glimpses for his Business.
 - 2. IATLH has about \$5001 in the operating account as of September 19, 2008.
 - 3. The President received a letter of Invitation on behalf of the IATLH to participate in the India Day program being sponsored by University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL. The information will be posted in our website.
 - 4. The President has sent in the check for reserving the Chiles High School auditorium for the Glimpses scheduled for Saturday, November 15, 2008
 - 5. The President has also sent in electronic payment for the insurance to cover the event. He had not yet received the confirmation but will do so within this week.
 - 6. Vice-President has been working with the President of FSU's INSAT to reserve a location for Diwali dinner. Unfortunately the date we requested was not available. But they both will for another date and other locations.
 - 7. General Secretary will find out whether he can reserve a hall for Diwali dinner through the FSU-IC

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Thayumanasamy Somasundaram, General Secretary

Minutes approved by: To be approved at the next meeting (October, 2008).