

Annual General Meeting - 2016

Date: Sunday, March 6, 2016

Time: 2:00 pm (after Duhr)

Location: IAS Gymnasium, 222 Copland Cres, Saskatoon, SK

1. Call to order (President)
2. Approval of agenda
3. Approval of minutes of AGM (held Mar 22, 2015)
*Business arising from minutes.
4. Approval of the Audited Financial Statement
5. Reports from President, Vice President and all committees
6. Other relevant business
7. Election of the Executives for open positions 2016
 1. President 2 year term
 2. Vice President 2 year term
 3. Treasurer 2 year term
 4. Vice President Sisters Affairs 1 year term (continuation of second year)
 5. Secretary 1 year term (continuation of second year)
 6. Asset Management & Operations (Chairperson) 2 year term
 7. Social & Community Affairs (Chairperson) 2 year term
 8. Youth & Sports (Chairperson) 2 year term
8. Adjournment

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Meeting minutes:

Omaer Jamil called meeting to order at 2:20 pm

1. Call to order – Omaer (16)
AGM commenced by Omaer (16)

Omaer requested Hajinoor to start with the recitation of the Quran.

2. Omaer –Quoted a hadith where Rasulullah (SAW) mentioned – spreading peace, praying at night, keeping good relationships. That was a goal as a board for the past 2 years.
3. Advice to in coming board – we need to reach out to the broader Saskatoon Community.

4. Agenda approved Nabil (39) ; seconded Mateen (83)

5. Business arising from previous AGM'S minutes
Approval of minutes:Khalil(56) ; seconded Muhammad Jamil(85)
NO Abstention – approved by majority ,none against

6. Financial statement presentation by Br.Mabood Qureshi
Questions raised

(83)Br. Mateen – are there any other issues that the Treasurer wants to highlight

(16)Br. Omaer says that the balance sheet is healthier in 2015 than in 2014.

Approval of Financial Statement: Br.AhmedGhazy(4) ; seconded by Br.Taimur(73)

7. Reports from President & other board members:

Br. Omaer presented his report that has been circulated to the community .

Br.Omaer gave a summary of his report and thanked all the volunteers in the community for their help towards the board's activities.

8. Questions from floor:

(57) Do we have a job description for the Imam?

Ans. Br.Omaer – yes we do

(57) What are the means of making announcements to the community?

Br.Omaer – we have 3 main avenues – via e-mail, via the website, via Friday Announcements.

(1) Why don't we use money for something else? What's going on with new masjid?

Br.Ashraf – we have been working with Corman Park Council to get approvals.

We are still waiting for the initial approval from the council.

Br.Anzar(71)- How did you select the Imam during Imam Ilyas's absence? What checks did we did perform?

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Br.Ibrahim explained the process that we followed to select Sheikh Hassan to replace Sheikh.Ilyas temporarily.

Sister Najmah (155) – says that in her opinion Sh.Hassan was very knowledgeable and very Islamic in his approach.

Br.Ibrahim (68) – brought forward a motion to hire a maktabeducator . Presented the reasons for his motion.

Br.Anzar(71) – administrator approval was done 2 years ago.Why don't we have an administrator in position already?

How are we going to pay for the educator?

Why is this board bringing forward this motion now when it is outgoing? Why not let the new board bring this motion in?

(48) Br.Ashraf – we need to know why we need a new educator? Do we have problems with the current hifz teacher?

Br.Ibrahim – parents have mentioned that their kids are not making any progress with the current educator and also current educator has many other duties to serve the community.

Br.Omaer – the board is not approving the decision .This motion is put forward for approval.

Br.Khalil(56) – a special membership meeting can be called for a new approval such as hiring an educator.

(40)El – Bardouh – as far as I understand the position is self-sufficient – the parents will be paying for it.

Br.Ibrahim – put forward a motion to hire an educator for maktab&hifz classes.

Seconded by 57

No. in favor – 85 no against – 41

Abstention – 7

Motion has been approved.

Br.Omaer– call on Br.PATEL to come forward to discuss the election procedure.

Following members have been elected:

Vice President **Ahmed Shoker**

Secretary **Faiyaz Ahmed**

Treasurer **TaimurSamad**

Social Affair **AshfaqAamer**

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Youth / Sports

Abubaker Hassan

All candidates called forward. Each candidate was given one minute to introduce himself/herself. Following the introductions, the members were called forward to place their ballots in the box after identifying themselves.

President

1. Ahmed Ghazy

“Raise necessary funds to complete IAS new masjid within 3 years; develop a rigorous social program to bring the Muslim community in Saskatoon together; develop a solid social program that tasks after Syrian Refugees and helps them merge into the Muslim community in Saskatoon; develop various social events inside IAS centre in order to encourage all Muslim families in Saskatoon to attend the masjid; increase the number of Muslim families who attend prayers in the masjid (everyone including youth, kids has to attend at least one prayer a day in the masjid); develop a continuous Islamic education program for men, women, youth and kids that include Quran, Tafseer, Hadith, Seera, Fiqh etc; develop new avenues to increase IAS financial resources and to increase the number of Muslim families who are on direct debit to the IAS.”

2. Khalil-ur-Rehman

“I will fulfill my responsibilities as outlined in the IAS constitution. If I become your next president, I have short, intermediate and hopefully long term plans for future boards to consider; I will be happy to share the details of these ideas during the AGM meeting of our IAS. Until then, here are few of the highlights of my plans in shah Allah; First, I will like to assure you that I will be the first to follow the rules and regulations according to the Constitution and by-laws of IAS, City, Corporation Branch, Canada Revenue and other Agencies; Second, finish the renovation of ladies washroom and front area. ; Thirdly, improve the management of IAS five Waqf ; Fourth, expand on enhancing the good relationship with other organizations and neighbours; Fifth, establish the following committees and insure that they are highly functioning; (Religious Committee, Muslim Communications and Outreach Committee, Takaful Fund Committee, Strategic Planning Committee and Refugee and settlement committee; Six, planning and fundraising for the New Mosque and Islamic Center at local, national and International level; Seven; work with Saskatoon Misbah School, Corman Park for the service of the land and other related matters for the new Mosque.”

3. Mustafa Mustaan

Last Moment Withdraw

Vice President Sisters Affairs

1. Farah Gafoor

“Introduce more social events; increase transparency of masjid programs to members; improve sisters communication of concerns; advocate for renovations of womens’ washrooms.”

2. Sabiha Khan

“Fulfill my responsibilities according to IAS constitution; to fulfill all my responsibilities and follow the IAS constitution and it's bylaws; I will arrange different social and religious events for Muslim sisters, including potlucks, and picnics; I will also encourage Muslim women to promote their home

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based businesses by giving the opportunity to set up their business stalls at the Ladies' Eid Fair at the Islamic Center.”

Asset- Management & Operations

1. Mohammed Kamaluddin

Pending.

Currently out of the country.

2. Tamer Al-Zawahreh

“Maintain interior & exterior of Masjid property to ensure a smooth operation; fix existing deficiencies in Masjid within the first 30 days; continue with the existing renovation plans but will revise to ensure proper procedure is followed and is cost efficient; introduce new ideas to improve on our current location both aesthetically & functionality; work closely with Misbah school to make our facility more beneficial to the community; do as much maintenance in-house so as to save the community from additional costs; follow through on the beautification of our Masjid front entrance (I.E. fountain).”

Voting has been conducted by the election chair in very fair smooth manner and here the results.

PRESIDENT

Khalil-Ur-Rehman - 144 Votes

Ahmed Ghazy - 39 Votes

VP SISTERS:

Sabiha Khan: 124 Votes

Farah Gafoor 54 Votes

ASSET MANAGEMENT

Kamaluddin : 124 Votes

Tamer Al-Zawahreh: 57 Votes

Therefore the Elected President is Khalil-Ur- Rehman, Vp sister is Sabiha Khan and Asset Management is Kamaluddin.

IAS Election Chair for the Year 2016

Abdullah Patel

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Meeting was adjourned at 4:45PM.

Meeting Minutes Recorded by Dr. Shabeer Mia, Audio Recording done by Faiyaz Ahmed

