

February 28, 2017

In the Name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh,

Alhamdulillah, by the grace and mercy of Almighty Allah, it has been an honour to serve the community members of IAS in my second year as a Religious Chairperson.

I would first like to say JazakaAllahu Khairan to Imam Ilyas, Sheikh Mohammed Hassan and to all Board Members (Khalil, Naeem, Sabiha, Hanan, Taimur, Faiyaz, Naveed, Ashfaq, Kamal Uddin & Aarif) for helping, supporting, encouraging, guiding, mentoring and making some of the work very easy for me to organize and carry out. I would also like to say JazakaAllahu Khairan to all the community members, religious committee, Maktab teachers and especially to all the volunteers for your support and for all your help.

Below I have listed some of the items that I either managed, organized or participated in;

Programs/Events

- Participated in the Monthly Family Program – Honoring Bearers of Quran and Welcome Ramadan (May 21, 2016)
- Helped with Open House Exhibition Day (May 22, 2016)
- Participated in the Honoring Senior Community Members (June 03, 2016)
- Participated in the Quran Competition (July 03, 2016)
- Participated and helped with setup of How to perform Hajj Presentation (August 19, 2016)
- Participated and helped with setup of Hijamah Presentation (August 20, 2016)
- Participated and helped with setup for Hajj Quiz Competition (September 03, 2016)
- Participated in the Public Speaking Contest (September 05 – 09, 2016)
- Participated and helped with setup for Moustafa Bayoumi speech (October 20, 2016)
- Participated and helped with setup for Saskatchewan Graveyard Project (October 21, 2016)
- Participated and helped with setup for various Speeches (October 22, 2016)
- Participated and helped with setup for the Guided Visit at the Mosque with prayers (November 08, 2016)

Please note that the above programs/events were initiated, managed and coordinated by Imam Ilyas.

Honoured to have Hosted Visiting Scholars/Speakers

- Sheikh Alaa Elsayed
- Shiekh Jamal Leftesi
- Sheikh Shujaath Ali
- Sheikh Omer Subedar
- Sheikh Yusuf Badat
- Sheikh Aasim Rashid

- Sheikh Abdi
- Sheikh Nadvi
- Sheikh Dawood

Ramadhan and Taraweeh Salaah

- Planned, coordinated and managed Field House rental
- Ensured and helped occasionally setup lines prior to Salaah
- Ensured and helped clean up after Taraweeh Salaah
- Helped with setup of speaker system
- Hired and managed Babysitters
- Helped with Sheikh Jamal Leftesi invitation to Saskatoon
- Managed distribution of Zakat ul Fitr

Eid Ul Fitr

- Helped with booking of Prairieland Park
- Organized volunteer groups for setup of Salaah lines, logistics, etc.
- Responsible Coordinator for Eid Salaah
- Organized Saskatoon Police Special Assistance for traffic control
- Helped with organization of Eid Festival

Eid Ul Adha

- Helped with booking of Prairieland Park
- Helped with PowerPoint Presentation
- Organized volunteer groups for setup of Salaah lines, logistics etc.
- Responsible Coordinator for Eid Salaah
- Organized Saskatoon Police Special Assistance for traffic control

JazakaAllahu Khair Br. Muhammad Javed for initiating and helping me with the booking for Prairieland Park for both Eids.

Organized the following Competitions

- Ramadaan/Eid Themed Painting Competition
- Adhaan Competition (November 05, 2016)
- Seerah Quiz Competition (December 23, 2016)

Maktab (Quran) Classes

- Hiring of Maktab Teachers
- Ensuring smooth operation of Maktab Quran Classes (including registration, record keeping and payment)
- Weekday Classes – Mon – Thurs (4 days). Currently have 59 students registered.
- Weekend Classes – Fri and Sat (2 days). Currently have 56 students registered.

Sisters Tajweed Classes

- Helped with setup of Sisters Tajweed Classes taking place every Sundays
- Two classes taking place simultaneously every Sundays – English speaking (end date Feb 26, 2017) and Arabic Speaking (classes ended September 2016 due to teacher moving out of province)
- Ensuring projectors are setup and supplies are available for the teachers
- Starting Tajweed classes for girls 13+
JazakaAllahu Khair to Sister Fadia and Sister Majd for teaching the Tajweed classes.

December Program (Imam Conference 2016)

- Participated in the multi-faith leaders lunch
- Participated and helped with setup for volunteer appreciation dinner and speech
- Participated and helped with setup for Seerah Quiz Competition
- Participated and helped with setup for youth program (boys in gym, girls in library)
- Adhaan Competition (November 05, 2016)
- Seerah Quiz Competition (December 23, 2016)

Classes Started by Imam Ilyas

- Helped with registration for Adults Arabic Classes
- Helped with Arabic Intensive Class
- Helped with Essentials of Islamic Knowledge Classes

Maintained and updated Annual Salaah Timetable

Printed and posted monthly Salaah time changes

Updated IAS Website and IAS App

- Salah Timings
- Programs/Events taking place at IAS
- Ramadan Announcement
- Eid Announcements

Prepared/Printed Ramadhan Timetable



Created, Updated and Placed Various Signs around IAS

Designed and created Program/Event Posters

Ordered copies of Quran, Quran Translation, Book on Hajj, Ahsanul Qawaid, Noorani Qaidah, Juz Amma

MC for both Eid Salaah

Helped with registration and organization of Summer Quran Classes

Planned, setup and coordinated Jumuah overflow on November 11, 2016. Gymnasium was full and 7 lines outside.

Collected and distributed Zakat to needy families

Helped Imam Ilyas with Janazah Services

Helped with clean up of Masjid (spring cleaning, inside and outside) on April 16, 2016

Helped with setup / organization of Newcomer Summer Barbeque in conjunction with Saskatoon Open Door Society and Global Gathering

Hosted Annual Saskatchewan Ijtema at IAS

Initiated to create procedures to help with transition of new board members and for consistency when working with the community.

Created, Modified and Updated IAS Forms

Helped with Takaful Form Registration and Queries

Helped with raising and collecting donations for new Masjid

Initiated front new sidewalk outside gymnasium

Initiated patch up of rear parking lot and potholes along backlane

Initiated placement of carpet in library and to ensure cleanliness of library at all times

Purchased new chairs in library

Initiated renovation of small kitchen

Initiated donation of 3 laptops to IAS

Bought new furniture around masjid

Upgraded computer hardware and peripherals for office and Imam Ilyas office

Helped with registration of sports activities

*Please note that most of the programs / events were done in conjunction with IAS Board Members and with our dedicated volunteers.

As I complete my Religious Chairperson position, I would like the next Religious Chairperson to continue with the work that I have started, for the classes/events/program to take place and to come up with new ideas and programs to keep this masjid moving forward. The next chairperson should also work with an open mind but within the sharee boundaries, ensuring religious activities are taking place, overlooking minor issues, keeping the community united, helping the Saskatoon community and other organizations, working closely with Prairie Muslim Association, Riyadul Jannah Masjid, Saskatoon Misbah School and working side by side and with open communication with our Imam and support all the work and hard effort he puts in daily including the initiative Imam is making with other faith, community and political leaders.

I would like to request the community by providing any positive/negative feedback for the work that we have done and areas where we could all collectively improve on.

Last but not least, please forgive me for any of my shortcomings and may Allah SWT accept all our efforts that he had entrusted upon us.

Ibrahim Dalal

IAS Religious Chairperson (March 2016- March 2017)