

MCOC Report to March 12, 2017 IAS – AGM

MCOC - 2016

Body of Work - 2016

A. In-person Committee Meetings:

New committee constituted early May, 2017 with first meeting May 10; October 13, December 2, 2016;

- on-line consultation with MCOC members between meetings as required.

B. Actions taken/events facilitated:

1. May 6 - fund-raising initiative for victims of Fort McMurray wildfires;
2. May 18 - presentation to Riverside Rotary Club - Basic Tenets of Islam;
3. May 21 - presentation to Federal Public Safety Minister, Ralph Goodale, Provincial Minister of Education, Don Morgan, RCMP, Saskatoon Police, Saskatchewan Human Rights Commission, and Media representatives regarding Radicalization: Perspectives on Prevention; event organized by the Muslim Health-care Network;
4. June 5 - Ramadan Media Release;
5. June 12 - Presentation to Candlelight Vigil at City Hall for Victims of Orlando Shooting and Media Release;
6. June 13 - Interview with Saskatoon Star Phoenix re: Orlando Shooting;
7. June 14 - Live Interview with CBC Radio Morning Edition re: Orlando Shooting;
8. June 14 - Taped interview with CKOM News Radio re: Orlando Shooting;
9. June 22 - Facilitated presentation of \$15,000 IAS cheque by IAS President, Khalil Rehman, to Canadian Red Cross (Fort McMurray Wildfire);
10. June 25 - Presentation re: Islamic Funeral Rites to Remai Modern Art Gallery, Exhibition by Linda Duvall: "The Unacknowledged";
11. July 5 - Eid al Fitra Media Release;
12. July 5 - Initial drafting of Anti-Terrorism Statement;

13. July 6 - Introduction visiting dignitaries/guests to Eid Celebration at Prairie Land Park; Live TV Eid interviews with CTV, Global, and print interview with Star Phoenix;
14. Sept. 12 - Eid Al Adha Media Release and Eid event at Prairie Land Park;
15. Sept. 28 - Presentation to Riverside Rotary Club – Contemporary Islam, Locally and Nationally
16. Oct. 13 - Faith Responses to the Report from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission;
17. Oct. 26 - Presentation to the Riverside Rotary Club – International Issues including Social Justice, Gender Equality, Human Rights, and Terrorism;
18. October 18 – Christian/Muslim Dialogue at STM, U of S;
19. Oct. 28, U of S students visit to Mosque;
20. Nov 3 - Presentation to IAS Community Members re: Bill C-51 and participating in on-line Government consultation;
21. Nov. 22 - Muslim and Catholic Women in Conversation: People of Faith Asking and Answering Questions, STM, U of S.;
22. Dec. 15 – Christian/Muslims Dialogue at STM, U of S; and,
22. Dec. 15 - Facilitate and contract Holiday Greeting Billboard message from IAS to Saskatoon community; space on 2nd Ave. S., Saskatoon, running from Dec. 19, 2016 - Jan. 16, 2017.

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January 19; Feb. 6 – special MCOC meeting with Judge Arnot, SHRC, and Khalil Rehman, Pres. IAS, Feb. 20 – de-brief MCOC response to Quebec Mosque shooting; Mar. 1 – special MCOC 2 pm meeting in IAS Bdrm. with Fed. Public Safety Minister, Ralph Goodale, members of IAS Board, and other attendees; Mar. 9 – special meeting with City Councillor, Cynthia Block re:meet and greet and municipal issues facing the Masjid/community;

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B. Actions taken/events facilitated:

1. Jan. 17 – respond to question from Saskatonian re: IAS Holiday Billboard message;
2. Jan. 29 – Learned of attack and commenced planning response; Media Release #1 Re: Quebec City Mosque shooting;
3. Jan. 30 – 10:35 am, Live interview, 650AM Talk radio, Murray Wood, Re Quebec City Mosque shooting;
4. Jan. 30 – a.m. English language Radio interview, Re Quebec City Mosque shooting;
5. Jan. 30 – a.m. interview with CBC Radio (French language), Re Quebec City Mosque shooting;
6. Jan. 30 – telephone interview with Saskatoon Star Phoenix, Erin Petrow, published January 31, 2017, Re: Saskatoon Steps up to Support Muslim Residents after Quebec Shooting;
7. Jan. 30 – p.m. English language Radio interview, Re Quebec City Mosque shooting;
8. Jan. 30 – 11:15 am, Taped interview, CTV TV, Alexandria Pankratz, Re: Quebec City Mosque shooting;
9. Jan. 30 – 2:45 pm, Taped interview, Global TV, Meaghan Craig, Re: Quebec City Mosque shooting;
10. Jan. 30 – 3:30 pm, backgrounder with CBC Sask, Saskatoon Radio, backgrounder with Rosalie Woloski, Re: Quebec City Mosque shooting;
11. Jan. 30 – 4:15 pm, Taped CBC, Sask, Regina Radio interview/web-story, Creedon Martel, Re: Quebec City Mosque shooting;
12. Jan. 30 – Media Release #2 – 8 pm Event at Mosque, Re: Quebec City Mosque shooting;
13. Jan. 30 – presentation at 8 pm Vigil at Mosque, Re: Quebec City Mosque shooting;
14. Jan. 31 – 7:40 am, live interview, Global TV, Doug Lett, Re: Quebec City Mosque shooting;

- 15; Jan. 31 – presentation at 6 pm Vigil, Civic Square, City Hall; Re: Quebec City Mosque shooting;
16. Feb. 1 – 11:45 am, live interview, CTV Noon News, Fiona Odlum, Re: Quebec City Mosque shooting;
17. Feb. 3 – draft Condolence letter to Grande Mosque in Quebec City;
18. Feb, 3 – Mosque tour by U of S students;
19. Feb. 3 – facilitate telephone interview request re: Muslim cemetery project (Omaer with contact the PMA and request Awlad respond as he is leading the project);
20. Feb. 4 – Rally/March and presentation at Friendship Park Event regarding US Travel Ban, White Supremacy and related extremism; organized by the Anti-Racist Organizing Committee, Saskatoon;
21. Feb. 6 – Christian/Muslim Dialogue, STM, U of S;
22. Feb. 6 – draft Muslims Thank Saskatoon Op-Ed for Star Phoenix;
23. Feb. 6, - MCOC in person meeting with Judge Arnot, Sask. Human Rights Commission;
24. Feb. 7 - responding to Maple Creek Media re: possible local interview contact in Swift Current, Sk.
25. Feb. 8 - Muslims Thank Saskatoon Op-Ed for Star Phoenix, published today as a web-based article;
26. Feb. 9 - 7:00 am, live follow-up interview, CTV Morning News, Fiona Odlum, Re: Quebec City Mosque shooting;
27. Feb. 10 - Muslims Thank Saskatoon Op-Ed for Star Phoenix, published today in print edition;
28. Feb. 12 – re: thank you to Judge Arnot re: meeting of Feb. 6, 2017;
29. Feb. 16 – French language interview for CBC Radio-Canada re: Reaction to Motion M-103 regarding racism and Islamophobia;
30. Feb. 21 – LT Congregation Agudas Israel offering support in light of bomb threats against Jewish communities in YS and Toronto;

31. Feb. 22 – Liaise with CAI Board Member re: IAS public messaging and solidarity work with CAI;
32. Feb. 22 – MCOC proposal to IAS Board re: self-funding by MCOC for MCOC activities;
33. Feb. 24 – meet with MLAs Cathy Sproule, Danielle Chartier, and Opposition Interim Leader, Trent Wotherspoon (in part) re: Provincial MLAs connecting with the Muslim community in Saskatoon;
34. Mar. 1 – 2 pm meeting in IAS Bdrm. with Fed. Public Safety Minister, Ralph Goodale, members of IAS Board, members of MCOC, and other attendees;
35. Mar. 9 – 5:30 pm MCOC meeting with Councillor Cynthia Block, Ward 6, re: meet and greet and municipal issues facing the Masjid/community;