

India Association of Tallahassee Executive Committee

Meeting Minutes

Sunday, July 26, 2009

I. Call to order

IATLH President called to order the regular meeting of the **IATLH** at **5:05PM** on **July 26, 2009** in **Books-A-Million**.

II. Roll call

The following persons were present:
Subhasis Das, President
Somnath Chatterjee, Vice-President
Thayumana Somasundaram, General Secretary
Raja Sekhar, Treasurer
Priya Ashok, Joint Secretary

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes from last meeting that were posted in web were approved as posted.

IV. Open issues

- a) Jt Sec reported that there are 19 items for the Utsav/Independence Day
- b) Out of the 19 items 2 are related to Independence Day and the rest Utsav related
- c) Jt Sec reported that she has updated the Socializr web pages with new items
- d) INSAT group will contribute one item
- e) VP will prepare a quiz about Indian Independence both for the adults and the kids
- f) Gen Sec will inquire with FSU-IC about food sale
- g) If we do sell food, it will be pizza (cheese), samosas, and water
- h) VP and Treasurer will handle the food order and get some volunteers for food distribution and collection of money
- i) There was discussion offering a door prize (ticket to Deepavali dinner) for Utsav participants and the Treasurer will do the necessary work
- j) Independence Day protocol:
 - 1) Introduction the guest (President)
 - 2) Guest unfurls the flag
 - 3) National anthems (everyone)
 - 4) Speech (3-5 minutes, Guest)
 - 5) Bouquet to the guest(Child)
 - 6) VP will do the quiz
- k) Utsav program
 - 1) Jt Sec will announce the MCs (if we have)
 - 2) MCs will announce the program as per the list

- 3) Intermission
- 4) MCs will conclude the program

V. New business

- a) Deepavali dinner set for Saturday, Oct 17, 2009
- b) VP has reserved with help from INSAT the State Ballroom for Deepavali Dinner between 7 and 10 PM on Sat, Oct 17, 2009.
- c) The food will be served starting at 7:00 PM, the music will start around 8:00 PM and will end by 9:45 PM and we wrap everything by 10:30 PM
- d) VP and Treasurer will work on the food arrangements with some volunteers
- e) The tickets for the dinner are \$25/adult, \$15/student (FSU-FAMU), \$10/kids, \$0/child (5 years or less)
- f) VP and P will print the tickets and bring it to Utsav with ticket numbers. All EC member will take certain numbers and sell it
- g) President will prepare the bio for the artists and forward it to Gen Sec for posting and distribution
- h) President will work on the annual mailer and forward it to Gen Sec for finalization
- i) We need to get together in mid August to print, fold, and post the annual mailer
- j) Jt Sec will contact Sunita and Jaycee for Deepavali decorations, the President can provide some materials for the decoration
- k) One member has indicated interest in Art Contest (sit down and draw). IATLH will be willing to sponsor provided the member takes initiative for the organization. Gen Sec will book the Library Room for contest and distribute information
- l) Another member indicated interest in digital photo exhibit. Treasurer will follow-up and update us soon

VI. Adjournment

President adjourned the meeting at **5:55 PM**.

Minutes submitted by: Thayumanasamy Somasundaram, General Secretary

Minutes approved by: *To be approved at the next meeting*